



Somebody should take those poor, mismanaged, and ill-advised Saints aside and tell them that they should be playing ping-pong or marbles, instead of trying to play O. H. A. hockey. In every game but one St. Thomas has been mowed under by a large score, and it is time that the team was called in. Simcoe put it to them 18 to 2 last night. Isn't that enough to drive trade from Saintville?

Charlie Daniels, the great New York swimmer, champion of the world on the sprints, has decided not to go to Australia for new laurels. It will be remembered that the youngster (he is under 21) announced recently that he would travel to the antipodes for the purpose of meeting Healy, the crack swimmer. Dispatches intimate that Daniels, who won out over Healy by only a fraction of a yard in England, a few months ago, is suffering from a severe attack of icy feet. That is hardly justice to Daniels, however, as he holds every sprint record in existence up to 440 yards, and has never been defeated.

C. A. Bergin writes to the Globe from Los Angeles, as follows: J. J. O'Flaherty and R. D. Restorick have dissolved partnership, and on Saturday their horses were sold in the paddock. Sanfara, which won four stakes at Kenilworth, last summer, was sold to James Boden for \$4,000. Money Muss was disposed of for \$1,250, Silver Wedding for \$1,150. Luckett brought \$450, and Sylvan Dixon \$300. All of these horses were bought from Joe James, of Windsor, Ont., at Ascot, last winter, when the partnership between O'Flaherty and Restorick was formed. O'Flaherty is training the Kirkfield stable horses at Ascot, and his inability to devote sufficient time to both strings is given as the cause of the dissolution of partnership.

Did those Thistles stick? Well, we guess yes. Out of a total of 12 years the Stanley tinware has left Ottawa and Montreal but twice—up until last night.

It was one of the greatest contests ever witnessed on eastern ice, and looked to be anybody's game almost up to the final bell. At one stage of the last half the score stood six all.

The old Forest City cannot have Thistle-Wanderer contests, but it can furnish a great brand of City League hockey, and that helps a little.

Those local sports who are continually yelling for O. H. A. or some other brand of the game, should take into consideration the fact that the only proper way to develop a good crop of players for a prospective O. H. A. team is by the City League route. Of course, it is quite possible that a local seven would stand a very good show this year in the O. H. A., as the teams in that organization are the poorest in years, but most of the local enthusiasts would prefer good City League to bad O. H. A.

Rumors anent the strengthening of the local hockey teams are going the rounds with astonishing regularity, but up to date none of them have panned out. Of course, it may be possible that some dark horses will be sprung in the different lineups at the Jubilee Rink tomorrow night, but the captains of the teams vigorously deny the allegation that they intend to ring in outside material. The latest rumor is to the effect that Dick Rankin, the Stratford crack, will be shortly found in the ranks of the Hermits. Next.

Unless all signs fail, Spike Robson, the English featherweight, is due for one grand beating when he hooks up in a bout with Abe Attell, the featherweight champion boxer of the globe. The only fellows who ever gave Attell trouble were fast, hard-hitting, clever boxers like Jack McClelland, of Pittsburgh. At that McClelland was a much heavier man than the Herby when he beat him at St. Louis in June, 1904, after 15 hard rounds. With the exception of McClelland, Attell has defeated nearly every boxer in his class, and he would have defeated McClelland also had not Reddy Mason, McClelland's manager at that time, been guilty of fixing the weighing scales so that Mac could come into the ring top-heavy. When Attell and Battling Nelson met in a six-round affair in Philadelphia in May, 1905, the little Jew made the game Battler look like a Canadian copper with a hole in it. And mind you, Nelson is a bona fide lightweight, while Attell can make 122 pounds ringside. Of course, in a longer battle weight would undoubtedly tell, but Abe must be given credit for standing off the greatest bulldog the prize ring has ever known for over six rounds.

Brusso will visit his old home at Galt day after tomorrow, and give an exhibition at the Galt theater with his sparring partner. That is interesting news—if one likes it. However, a great many people would find it more interesting to witness an exhibition on Noah's part showing how he side-stepped "Mistah" Johnson, ink-spot on the pugilistic horizon.

Hockey is in full swing in Hamilton at present, and the team is losing with clock-like regularity. Paris having been the latest to take them into camp, it will now be in order for the Times man to say that Paris is a suburb of "Champeneville."

The Paris-Tiger game must have been somewhat on the Rugby order, judging by the following excerpt from the Spectator: Capt. Armstrong had his nose broken early in the second half, by Flanagan, the Paris rover. It was a most vicious and unwarranted blow with the stick, and the penalty should have been more than five minutes on the fence. Later on Nichol was laid out, his nose also being injured, and Kuhlmann was laid off with him. Lou Marsh was rather hard on Hamilton in the way of penalties, probably in revenge for the trimming he got when playing with the intermediate Argonauts. The Hamilton players wore the Tiger yellow and black, and that probably was like flaunting a red flag in the face of a bull.

One by one the scrub teams (that is the worst of them) are dropping out of the O. H. A. St. Catharines is the latest to throw up the sponge, and St. Thomas will probably be the next. Hard on Saints, that O. H. A. article.

Down in Toronto, the home of anvil and anvil choruses, they are trying to get a man to take former manager Ed Barrow's place. While they are thinking over the question they might also make arrangements for placing a new team in the city. The "garden" grade of baseball is all right, sometimes. An overdose of it is, however, bad for the digestive organs. Besides, it ruins one's appetite for baseball. SOUTHPAW.

## Signals for Umpires

The movement for a system of audible. The system proposed is to signals to indicate an umpire's decisions during a baseball game, seems to be spreading, and the indications are all the important leagues will adopt some such system before another playing season arrives says the Chicago Tribune. Announcement of the willingness of the American league to adopt the suggestion already has been made. Several club owners of the National league have urged the adoption of a similar policy by its umpires next season and the American association's executive has announced he will instruct his staff of umpires to signal their decisions on "balls" and "strikes" so as to make them intelligible to the patrons beyond the reach of the umpire's voice. These are the leading three organizations of the country and their example is likely to be followed by all the minors eventually. In some of the smaller circuits, however, only occasionally are the crowds attracted so large as will popularize the sport and may make to make the voice of the umpire in the umpire himself less unpopular.

## STRATFORD WON WITHOUT EFFORT

Seniors Got Away With Preston 9 to 2—Wingham Wallops Old Rivals.

Stratford, Jan. 21.—Stratford seniors defeated Preston seniors here tonight in a comparatively easy manner by a score of 9 to 2. The feature of the game was the brilliant work of the Classic City's forward line. The lineup:

Stratford—Goal, McLaren; point, Robert; cover, Forbes; rover, Henz; center, Kiler; left wing, Eason; right wing, Lloyd.

Preston—Goal, Pfeffer; point, Nairn; cover, Bernhardt; rover, Kindy; center, Bennett; left wing, Smith; right wing, Wismer.

Referee—Charles Rankin.

TRIMMED OLD RIVALS.

Wingham, Jan. 21.—Wingham hockey team met and beat Hamilton Bronco-busters, their old-time rivals, in the Northern League, on local ice tonight, defeat by a score of 5 to 2. The locals were in good trim, as were also the visitors, and the game was keenly contested. The lineup:

Wingham—Goal, Moore; point, Wilson; cover, Johnston; rover, McGillivray; center, McDowell; left wing, Ward; right wing, Elliott.

Harrison—Goal, Dixon; point, Bennett; cover, Bates; rover, Bennett; center, McLean; left wing, Fleming; right wing, Weller.

Referee—Weller, Berlin.

Mount Forest plays here Friday night and if Wingham wins from them it will put them in the lead for the cup.

PARIS JUNIORS WIN.

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The visitors proved a faster team, their forward line, with Lovett and Thindin doing effective work. Score at half time was 4 to 1. Brantford notching one goal in last half. Play throughout last half of game was very even. Duncan in goal for locals did clever work. The lineup:

Brantford—Goal, Duncan; point, Smith; cover, Taylor; rover, Tick; center, Oliver; right wing, Johnson; left wing, Buck.

Paris—Goal, Stewart; point, Meggs; cover, Thindin; rover, Stanton; center, Watson; right wing, Lovett; left wing, Gill.

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SANATORIUM TOWN WINS.

Gravenhurst, Jan. 21.—The juniors were again victors, winning here tonight from Victoria Harbor team. Score at half time 3 to 2 in favor of the home team, and at the finish 8 to 2.

CALUMET ON TOUR.

Calumet, Mich., Jan. 21.—Before the season ends the International Hockey team will have met some of the best teams in Canada, besides the New York City teams. Among the Canadian teams who propose to tour the States are the Ottawa, Montreal Wanderers, Toronto, and Barrie. Games will be played in Pittsburgh, the Soos and Houghton and Calumet, with return contests in Canada if climatic conditions permit.

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Chicago, Jan. 21.—A meeting will be held tomorrow night to complete the organization to control and promote the new game of playground ball. Permanent officers will be elected and plans made to introduce the game in all the large cities in the United States and Canada.

The organization probably will be known as the Playground Ball Association, with E. B. De Groot, the temporary chairman and athletic director of the South Park playground system, is expected to be elected president.

Playground ball is a cross between the regular game of baseball and indoor baseball, with a few variations. The diamond is to have twenty-five foot base line with pitching distance of thirty feet; the pitchers plate is to be two feet by ten inches, made of rubber or wood. The pitcher will deliver the ball with the underhand motion, the ball being swung parallel with the body. He must keep one foot in contact with the pitcher's plate while in the act of delivery.

The baserunner will not be allowed to leave his base on a steal until the ball has left the pitcher's hand. Three balls, instead of four, as in baseball, will entitle a player to walk. The bat will be made of hickory, similar to the indoor baseball bat, except that it will be considerably larger in diameter.

The ball is to be not less than twelve inches, or more than fourteen inches, in circumference, and made of a yielding substance weighing about eight and one-half ounces. Ten players will constitute a side, instead of nine, as in baseball. Besides the battery and basemen there will be two shortstops and three outfielders.

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There are as many kinds of throwers as there are ball players—easy, graceful, awkward, strong, deliberate, fast, snap throwers, long swing throwers—but whatever may be the styles of the different infielders in the professional ranks, they one and all have the same purpose in view, to get the ball to the base ahead of the runner.

The most violent thrower on the diamond is Phil Lewis, of the Brooklyn. The arms sweeps around to high above the shoulder, and it looks as if the thrower were about to ring his wing out by the roots. It is a rasping, jarring, procedure, every muscle tense apparently, much the same style of throw that Herman Long had—only more so.

Another hard high arm thrower is Monte Cross, but his is not as tempestuous as the Lewis fling. Altizer, of the Washingtons, slams the ball over to first in much the same way, the arm raised high and being backed up by a shoulder heave.

Arthur Devlin, of the New Yorks, a very accurate and reliable thrower, gets the ball away without a great deal of exertion. Frank Chance is another who takes it easy when he throws, the play of the shoulder with the arm being comparatively gentle, but so nicely balanced as to make the ball travel fast. Fred Tenney's throw is more of a push, the hand being on a level with the top of the head and the forearm and upper arm at right angles.

Jimmy Casey gets the whole of his small body into his throws, but is very light on his feet when performing the function. One of the swiftest and sharpest throwers is Hoelskoetter of the St. Louis Cardinals, McBride, of the same team, is a pretty thrower, one of those who seem to put life into the ball—make it sentient. Will Conroy is a good infield thrower, always cool about it and getting the ball across without throwing fast.

A thrower of the Dahlen type is George Davis, of the Chicago White Sox. Davis' style is more useful than ornamental. He, too, is a side wheeler. He suggests the lumbering rather than the nimble, but makes no false movements, and is one of the very best judges in knowing whether or not there is time to retire the runner.

Hal Chase, the brilliant young first baseman of the New York Americans, has a marked mannerism in his throwing. It is a peculiar lift of the ball to a point just over and close to the left shoulder. There is an almost imperceptible hitch or break in the movement of the arm just before the ball is thrown, then the hand shoots forward just past the ear. This forward movement is short but accomplishes as much as one of Fitzsimmons' short arm jolts. The ball travels with great speed particularly if it is going home or to third base.

The only Lajole throws, as he does everything else on the ball field, in an indifferent, careless manner. He is the personification of careless, supple grace. There is rather a sweep in the sweep of the arm, but with the movement so well attuned to the requirement of the occasion that it has the ease of everything else Lajole does. If he ever is hurried he never shows it. He is symmetrical in build and in movement.

Quite different in build is Lajole's great rival in popular opinion as to who is the best ball player in the country. Dutch Wagner is less symmetrical than massive. Massive though he is, he is boundless in his activity. When it comes to throwing the Dutchman can vary his style, just as he can for batting. Sometimes he tosses the ball—merely floats it over to the first bag, as if to show his contempt for the speed of the runner. He knows what he is about when he does this, for he seldom fails to time the throw correctly. Sometimes, when the time is short, his arm describes a sweeping, swinging arc, and then he cuts loose with great force.

Kid Elberfeld is a determined, vicious thrower, who whips them across on a line and uses his arm for all there is in it. Jimmy Williams, on the other hand, throws a heavy ball, though Williams is noticeably accurate. He can put the ball knee high nearly every time.

Bill Bradley, the tall and rangy third baseman of the Cleveland, makes a

start of his arms, throws with a swinging motion and has such a reach that he seems to be handing the ball to the first basemen. Few can equal him at the underhand toss needed to field a bunt quickly.

Joe Tinker, is another who might be described as an enthusiastic thrower. He conveys the impression that he would rather throw than eat. Every bit of him is mixed up in the throwing motion, some way or other, and he goes at the job with the gusto of a hungry man tackling a hot meal. He uses arm and shoulder, and also gets his body into the throw, sending the ball from a high elevation