

Bowling
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YANKEES IN THE MAKING

The Gentle Art of Whitewashing Perfectly Good Canuck Athletes as Practiced Across the Border.

Standing possessed of a saving sense of humor, the average Canadian must find it dreadfully amusing to note the celebrity with which American sporting writers bob up at opportune intervals and lay strenuous claim to such of our rising stars as may elect to journey across the divide and cop an event or two.

Having back a year or two, one is brought face to face with a pretty apt illustration—the case of Tommy Burns erstwhile world's champion heavy-weight boxer. Burns plied here and there over the U. S. A., for general months, taking on second raters, now landing the short and again the long end of the money—a recognized Canadian.

Suddenly, as a bolt from the blue, by virtue of prowess and position, the mantle of the retired Jas. J. Jeff descended on the broad shoulders of Thomas—and the world was presented with a Canuck champion.

Presto! The Yankee press rises up in unison and opens its arms to the accompaniment of an endearing, "Come home, Thomas—your ours."

Just how the "come home" came home is history. He passed out a batch of cold storage to his would-be countrymen through the columns of Canadian newspapers, the gist of the said batch embodying a terse, "Canada for mine!"

My! weren't those same would-be countrymen tickled when "the Canadian" took the count before a near-gorilla, some forty pounds his superior in weight, and against whom Jeff was at hand persistently drawn the convenient color line?

It was ever thus: the case of Tommy Burns is but one of hundreds; and the fact is to be deplored that more had not the courage, like him, to stand up in recognition of their country regardless of the fact that in doing so they might thereby jeopardize their chances of success.

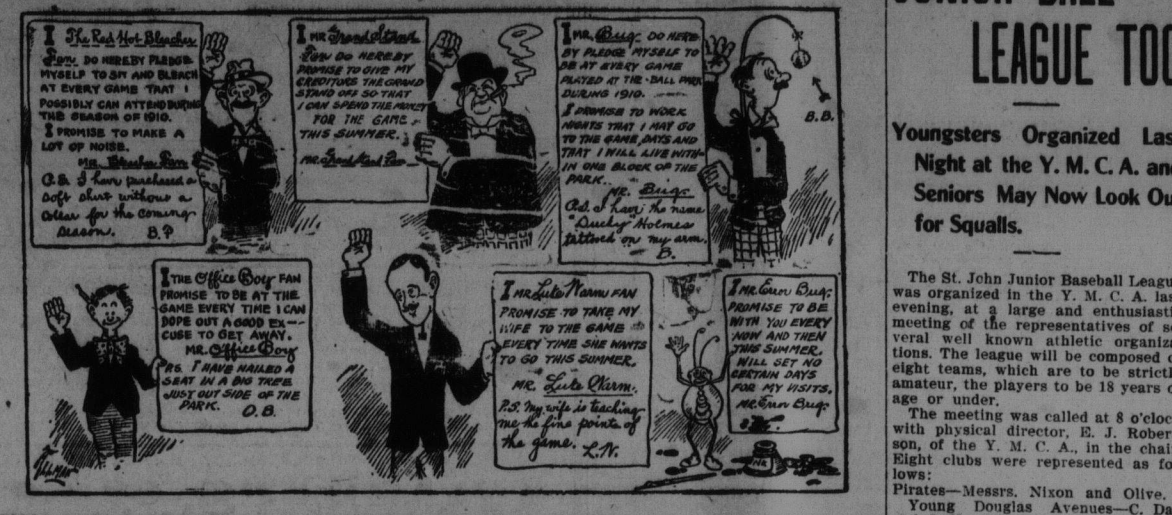
But coming right down to the moment, the latest acquisition to Uncle Sam's sporting ranks is an athlete who has been in obscurity for those many years.

Mr. J. McDonald, a native of Nova Scotia, is one of the best of the best in the world's record. He trained for the event at his home in Nova Scotia; competed untripped, or at least under the McDonald tartan; and winning, claimed the glory for the land of his nativity.

The next season he entered again—and started. Some kind-hearted gentlemen, however, lacked a few ounces of sleep-producer into the sponge the champion used as a fresher; and while Brignola broke the tape in "forty-two" time, Mac was enjoying a "tired nature's sweet restorer" by the wayside.

SPORTS

Resolutions!



CANADIAN TENNIS MEET FOR ST. JOHN

City to Get First All-Canadian Championship Tournament Played East of Montreal—Best New England Has to Offer to be Seen in Open Events—Meet Scheduled for August.

With the Canadian championships a fixture for St. John, lawn tennis is sure to boom in New Brunswick this summer. The definite announcement that the Canadian Lawn Tennis Association would hold their annual meet in this city during the middle week of August was made last evening after a meeting of the managing and ladies' committees which accepted the decision of the Canadian executive in favor of St. John.

At the meeting held in the office of Dr. Stewart Skinner, president of the local club, last night, it was decided to reaffirm the invitation and to proceed to make the necessary arrangements for the holding of the tournament.

The events of the tournament include: Ladies and men's championships.

Open championships Men's doubles. Ladies' doubles. Mixed doubles. Handicap singles. The first purely Canadian championships were held on the grass courts of the Queen's Royal Hotel, Niagara-on-the-Lake, the week of August 29, 1907. St. John was not represented at this tournament although many players from different parts of Canada who had never played before an account of the championships being open to all comers, first competed in this year.

At the 1908 championship Mr. Foulkes lost the title to Mr. T.W. Sherwell, one of the best of the Quebec players, the tournament being held on the Mount Royal courts, Montreal. St. John was represented this year by Mr. T. M. McAvity, the provincial champion and Mr. T. McCa. Stewart, neither of whom made a very strong showing.

Last year the championships were again held in Montreal and Mr. McAvity was again in the competition, playing a brilliant game throughout and losing only in the semifinals to Mr. Vesey. In the absence of Mr. Sherwell, the champion, in England, Mr. Foulkes retained the championship.

Among those who have already signified their intention of coming to St. John are Mr. Sherwell, Allen McAvity and Arthur Chipman, while the champion, Angus Cassel, Geo. Grier and Teddie Snacking are also expected.

A committee to look after the grounds was also appointed. A new outfit of gloves, bats, etc., as well as new uniforms will be secured. Practice on the grounds will begin very soon now when the grounds are put in a little better shape.

On the 25th of the month the ladies will produce a play entitled A Mock Trial in the Year 1890, and on the same night the male members of the club will have a dance.

Boston, April 12.—The second team of the Boston American League today was no match for the regulars today, the latter winning without the least trouble by 3 to 4. Almost every player on the club was used in the game.

Baseball The Ring Aquatics

JUNIOR BALL LEAGUE TOO

Youngsters Organized Last Night at the Y. M. C. A. and Seniors May Now Look Out for Squalls.

The St. John Junior Baseball League was organized in the Y. M. C. A. last evening, at a large and enthusiastic meeting of the representatives of several well-known athletic organizations. The league will be composed of eight teams, which are to be strictly amateur, the players to be 18 years of age or under.

The meeting was called at 8 o'clock with physical director, E. J. Robertson, of the Y. M. C. A., in the chair. Eight clubs were represented as follows: Pirates—Messrs. Nixon and Olive. Young Douglas Avenues—C. Day and J. Knight.

It was decided that if possible to arrange it so, both the Shamrock and Victoria grounds would be used. A committee composed of Messrs. Parsons and Doyle were chosen to confer with the management of the Shamrock and Victoria diamonds with regard to their being used by the league.

The formation of a junior league should go a long way towards developing young players who will be capable of taking the places of players who are dropping out of senior baseball, as well as a great many others who should be politely requested to do so by their managers.

BIG SCORES IN TWO MEN TEAM SERIES

The first game in the two men league series was pulled off on Black alleys last evening, Wilson and Black defeating Moore and Stanton by 127 to 107. The match was highly exciting.

Wilson—107, 92, 106, 81, 82, 94, 94, 98, 89, 95. Black—127, 101, 101, 114, 103, 87, 84, 101, 101, 104. Total—963 96 11

The I. C. R. bowlers romped away with all four points from the Waterbury & Rising team in the Commercial league series on Black's alleys last evening.

Waterbury & Rising. Total Ave. Chesley... 71 81 83 225-78 1-3 Patchell... 70 83 82 225-78 1-3 Rising... 75 73 78 226-75 1-3 Featherstone... 73 78 87 229-76 1-3 Labbe... 80 91 98 227 81-3

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WHAT ABOUT BETTING ON THAT MORAN THE ATTELL GO THE JEFFRIES JOHNSON GO

Wouldn't an Abe Attell-Owen Moran fight to a finish be the candy corn raisin for the Jeffries-Johnson battle? The beautiful battle waged by these two wonderful little fellows in New York their third draw, by the way—calls for a fourth, to settle for all time the question of superiority.

The gold coast is bound to be the centre of sporting interest the latter part of June and the first weeks of July. There's no denying that more sportsmen and sporting men will invade San Francisco during the light interest period than ever congregated in one city in this country before.

The Johnnies-Jeffries fight won't keep the crowd amazed. Thousands will be in San Francisco a week prior to July 4 and they will require entertainment. And, unless I'm mistaken, San Francisco will find a way to do this same thing.

Remember, don't you, the fight carnival in New Orleans in 1892, when three championships were at stake, and one was lost? Jack McAuliffe beat Billy Meyer in 15 rounds; Geo. Dixon beat Jack Skelly in 8 rounds and Jim Corbett beat John L. Sullivan in 21 rounds.

There's a lot of talk about Stanley Ketchel meeting Sam Langford, but I believe it will be a long time before the Michigan smasher gets into a ring with Langford. Ketchel can hardly afford to take such a chance.

Jeffries TRIES HAND AT FISHING. Ben Lomond, Cal., April 12.—With the exception of a long drill over the muddy roads in the morning, J. J. Jeffries took a vacation today. A crowd of Santa Cruz admirers of the fighter spent part of the morning straining their necks to get a glimpse of the former champion through the dusty windows of the gymnasium.

JOHNSON IS ACQUITTED OF SPEED CHARGE

Chicago, April 13.—A jury in Judge Goin's branch of the municipal court today acquitted Jack Johnson the pugilist, of a charge of exceeding the automobile speed limits. A policeman, who made the arrest a fortnight ago, alleged that the negro champion pugilist was motoring at the rate of 22 miles an hour.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS IN BASEBALL

Boston, April 12.—The second team of the Boston American League today was no match for the regulars today, the latter winning without the least trouble by 3 to 4. Almost every player on the club was used in the game.

LADIES OF M'ADAM TO PLAY BALL

McAdam, April 12.—At a well attended meeting of the McAdam A. A. last night, plans for the coming ball season were discussed and the following officers elected: President, Dr. Butler; Vice-President, Mr. Jack O'Neill.

A committee to look after the grounds was also appointed. A new outfit of gloves, bats, etc., as well as new uniforms will be secured. Practice on the grounds will begin very soon now when the grounds are put in a little better shape.

At Exeter—Exeter, 6; Lowell Textile, 5. At Medford, Mass.—Holycross, 3; Tufts, 1. At Danville—Final score: St. Louis (America), 9; Danville (Illinois), 1.

ST. DAVID'S TENNIS CLUB IN SESSION

The annual meeting of St. David's Church Tennis and Croquet Club was held last evening, when prizes were presented, and officers elected for the ensuing year.

Officers for the ensuing year were chosen as follows: Honorary president, Rev. A. A. Graham; president, Robert Reid; vice president, Miss Jessie Milligan; sec. treasurer, I. F. Archibald.

The croquet players opened the season by a game on Good Friday, and weather permitting, the Tennis Club will be ready next week.