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THE GREAT CANADIAN HANDICAP.

Iranian, Philae and Wild Heather Most Dangerous in International Steeplechase.

The stabling of the Woodbine has all been taken up and large numbers of outside stables have been engaged to accommodate the influx of horses. Everything is in readiness for the racing to begin on Saturday at 2.30. The woodbine track and fields have never been in better shape and as the clerk of the weather is rosy in his promises, a splendid gathering of men, women and horses may be expected.

Two of the stake events of the meeting are carded for decision on the opening day, the Great Canadian Handicap of $1000 and the Grand International Steeplechase.

In the Great Canadian at a mile and a quarter, out of 35 nominations, there promises to be a field of at least a dozen starters from among the 18 which accepted the weights. The probable starters are: Arquebus 126, Beau Ideal 115, Bon Ino 112, Topmast 112, Wine Press 108, Jim Megibben 108, Rebel Jack 107, Jessamine Porter 106, Maratana 105, Confederacy 101, K.C.B. 101, Abingdon 99, Cherry Head 95, Toddy Ladie 95, V. R. Customs 92, Wreath 92.

Bon Ino has been made the favorite and with K.C.B., Mr. Seagram has a very strong pair. Mr. William Hendrie has been specially preparing Toddy Ladie for this meeting and has high hopes of his fine provincebred filly, who showed such excellent form at the spring meeting. Many think that Topmast, let in at 112, has a good chance, while Maratana and Jessamine Porter are each at least good for one hard race and are very potent factors in the event. It certainly looks as if the Canadian colors should be in front, but Arquebus, the top weight, is a horse that may like the going. Beau Ideal has always to be reckoned with while Wine Press is very highly thought of by her owner and has been lightly treated at the weights.

In the Grand International Steeplechase, High Tide II. will not start and it looks as if it would be between Mr. Craig Wadsworth's Iranian and Mr. Craven's Philae, though Col. J. L. Strathy's imported Wild Heather is a splendid fencer. The eligible starters are: Lastfellow 160, Iranian 158, Rosebery 154, Philae 153, Partner 152, Lion Heart 150, Prince Mark 149, Wild Heather 140, King Olaf 148, Wace 145, Avenger 142, Fred Perkins 140.

The entries for the other events on Saturday close to-day at noon at the Woodbine track. Badges for the meeting can be obtained at the O.J.C. offices, Leader-lane. Stable badges will be given out at the course at 4 o'clock this afternoon.

Results at Gravesend.

New York, Sept. 21.—The smallest crowd of the season went down to the Gravesend track to-day, the weather keeping all but the regulars home. It cleared by the time the first race was run and, although the track was sloppy, a good day's sport was had. The only stake on the card was the Ocean View Handicap, and only two horses accepted the conditions. Rush was the favorite at 7 to 10, while King Barleycorn was held at 6 to 5. Rush took the track at the first turn and was never headed, winning easily by half a length, which might have been four lengths. The handicap steeplechase brought out a good field, Van Ship, the favorite, winning cleverly from Mars Chan.

First race, 6 furlongs—Isidor, 126 (Tarsh), 7 to 10, 1; Lady Lindsey, 109 (Spencer), 13 to 5, 2; Lambent, 107 (O'Leary), 5 to 1, 3. Time 1.13. Blarney Stone and Domineer also ran.

Second race, Handicap Steeplechase, 2 miles—Van Ship, 150 (Finnegan), 9 to 5, 1; Mars Chan, 130 (Helder), 5 to 1, 2; Baby Bill, 158 (Hogan), 8 to 1, 3. Time 4.10 3-5. Tentoro, Article and Jack Dandy also ran.

Third race, 5 furlongs, selling—Olea, 105 (Maher), 6 to 1, 1; Belle of Orleans, 108 (Clawson) 13 to 5, 2; Kamara, 111 (Boland), 8 to 1, 3. Time 1.02 2-5. Lady Massey, Jamalca, Beverage, Beautiful, Alaire, Belle of Lexington, Marion Lynch and Olinda also ran.

Fourth race, the Ocean View Handicap, 1 1-16 miles—Rush, 119 (Spencer), 7 to 10, 1; King Barleycorn, 118 (Keenan), 6 to 5, 2. Time 1.50 1-5.

Fifth race, 1 1-16 miles—Arbacea, 124 (Clawson), 9 to 10, 1; Forget Not, 106 (Maher), 5 to 2, 2; Donald Baird, 116 (Kane), 4 to 1, 3. Time 1.51 3-5. Klondike Queen also ran.

Sixth race, 5½ furlongs—Herbert, 106 (Maher), 4 to 1, 1; Waring, 120 (Clawson), 2 to 1, 2; Hammock, 111 (Doggett), 8 to 1, 3. Time 1.08 4-5. Montanic, Regolfus, Reminder, Inishfree, Water King, Peaceful, Jucoma and Lansa also ran.

Noses Apart at Harlem.

Chicago, Sept. 21.—Avenstoke and Sam A. Fuller furnished a pretty finish in the fifth race at Harlem to-day. The two colts were nearly equal favorites in the betting, and hooked up at the head of the stretch, fighting it out to the wire, where Avenstoke got the decision by a nose. Conley, on Fullen, claimed a foul, but it was not allowed. Only two favorites won. The track was heavy; weather clear. Results:

First race, 6 furlongs—Myrtle Gebauer, 110 (Vandusen), 3 to 1, 1; Antoinette, 110 (Glover), 6 to 5, 2; Kitty G., 110 (Hinkey), 3. Time 1.22¾. Oleekma, Allie Hatcher, Scarlet Lily, Lady Algy and Warm Baby also ran.

Second race, 1 mile and 100 yards—Rollins, 111 (Conley), 7 to 2, 1; Long Dandy, 101 (Raush), 4 to 1, 2; Cuirassier, 104 (N. Hill), 3. Time 1.50¼. Elidad, Denance, Three Forks and Blenheim also ran.

Third race, 7 furlongs—Ida Ledford, 76 (Dominick), 3 to 1, 1; Tulla Fonso, 103 (Burns), 2 to 5, 2; Algaretta, 102 (Vittatoe), 3. Time 1.33½. Dolore also ran.

Fourth race, 1 mile and 100 yards, selling—Blue Lick, 104 (Rose), 5 to 2, 1; Lillian Reed, 101 (Roland), 5 to 1, 2; Uhlers, 101 (E. Wilson), 3. Time 1.58. Lady Osborne, Teutons, Hosi, Annowana, Bitter Root and Goose Liver also ran.

Fifth race, 5 furlongs—Avenstoke, 103 (Burns), 11 to 10, 1; Sam Fullen, 107 (Sievers), 2 to 5, 2; Gussie Fay, 92 (Dominick), 3. Time 1.05¼. Odea, Erla d'Or, Emma H., Highland Lad also ran.

Sixth race, 7 furlongs, selling—Pinar Del Rio, 104 (W. Jones), 12 to 1, 1; Morea, 104 (Dugan), 15 to 1, 2; Marsella, 104 (Mitchell), 3. Time 1.36. Our Friend, Hermoso, The Plutocrat, Cecil, Innuendo, Plymouth, Pitfall, Golden Rod, Isen, Sissie Chance, De Jure, Bonnie Ione and Galileo also ran.

They Leave the Fort.

Fort Erie, Sept. 21.—Getaway day at Fort Erie saw clear skies, but a very heavy track, throughout which the horses struggled in very slow time. The best race of the afternoon was that of Lightning Express, which got off poorly, but overhauled the leaders as if they were tied. The tip on the winner was sent throughout the country.

First race, ⅝ mile—Lightning Express, 105 (Songer), 3 to 5 and out, 1 by a length; Menu, 102 (Harshberger), 8 to 1 and 3 to 1, 2; Triune, 103 (McIntyre), 4 to 1, 3. Time 1.27. Young Bel, Lucy Blazes, Dolly Regent, Eustis, Viola K. and Buckner finished as named.

Second race, 4½ furlongs—Ida Fordham, 102 (Songer), 2 to 1 and 4 to 5, 1, by three lengths; Avatare, 105 (Patton), 20 to 1 and 8 to 1, 2; Hie Away, 102 (Forehand), 2 to 1, 3. Time 1.03¼. Tickfull, Miss Fonsoland, Aurea and Eyes of Blue finished as named.

Third race, 1 mile—Arquebus, 112 (H. Lewis), even and 2 to 5, 1, by 2 lengths; Alice Farley, 105 (Patton), 5 to 1 and 6 to 5, 2; Branch, 102 (Forehand), 7 to 5, 3. Time 1.55¾. Applejack also ran.

Fourth race, ⅞ mile—Vohicer 106 (Wapshire), 5 to 2 and 4 to 5, 1, by a length; Pharaoh, 106 (Forehand), 3 to 1 and even 2; Little Veronica 103 (Songer), 6 to 5, 3. Time 1.12¾. Eous, Stites and Robert Gray finished as named.

Fifth race 1⅛ miles—Acrobat, 106 (Patton), 6 to 5, and 2 to 5, 1, by two lengths; Kathie May, 101 (Castro), 6 to 1 and 8 to 5, 2; Bell Punch, 106 (James), even, 3. Time 2.12¾. Gov. McHenry, Bethelehem Star, Isaac and Hungry Hill finished as named.

Sixth race, 5½ furlongs—Aquinas 98, (Wood), 6 to 1 and 2 to 1, 1, by a length; George Kratz, 103 (Castro), 6 to 1 and 2 to 1, 2; Also ran II., 105 (Patton), 6 to 5, 3. Time 1.17. Flop, John Boone, Glen Albyn, Otis A., Done, Minch, and Springtime finished as named.

RACING RULES DISCUSSED.

More Stringent Enactment Against Persons and Horses Ruled Off.

Chicago, Sept. 21.—Discussion of racing rules occupied the delegates to the American Turf Congress to-day and a number of important changes were made. Rule 18, in which any person or horse ruled off the track by a running association for fraud was ruled off the tracks of members of the American Turf Association, was amended to read as follows: "Every person or horse expelled or ruled off by any reputable running association, or by the American or National Trotting Association, shall stand ruled off the courses of the members of this congress during the continuance of such expulsion. Any association that shall knowingly allow any ruled-off person or horse to participate in its racing shall be outlawed."

Another rule adopted by the Congress was that no person against whom there are arrears shall be granted a license as trainer or jockey. A rule was adopted that hereafter no employe shall get the money won by any jockey bound to him by contract who shall win riding outside mounts.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows: President, W. F. Schulte, Louisville; vice-president, James Howard, Chicago; treasurer, O. L. Bradley, Lexington, Ky.; secretary, E. D. Hopper, Covington, Ky. A permanent office of the Congress will be opened in Louisville, and the next meeting of the Congress will be held in that city.

Tod Sloan Not In It.

London, Sept. 22.—At the first day of the Manchester September meeting to-day the De Trafford Handicap of 500 sovereigns for 3-year-olds and upwards was won by Scrivener. Red Queen, ridden by Tod Sloan, was unplaced. Ten horses ran one mile and a half. The betting was 3 to 1 against Red Queen.

CLOSE GAMES AT WASHINGTON.

Louisville Wins Another Double-Header—Cleveland Lost Two.

At Washington—The Louisvilles repeated Wednesday's performance, and won the double-header. Sharp fielding at critical times gave the visitors the first game. The second game was in doubt up to the sixth inning, when Flaherty cleared the bases with a three-bagger. Scores:

First game—		R.	H.	E.
Washington	2 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0	3	9	4
Louisville	0 0 1 0 0 1 0 1 2	5	9	3

Batteries—Evans and Kittridge; Phillippi and Zimmer.

Second game—		R.	H.	E.
Washington	0 0 1 0 1 0 0 2	4	9	4
Louisville	1 1 0 0 1 3 0 x	6	8	1

Batteries—Finield and Powers; Flaherty and Zimmer.

At Baltimore—Baltimore played a double-header with Cleveland, and won them both. Holmes' muff of an easy fly in the ninth inning of the first contest made two extra innings necessary. Two singles and a sacrifice allowed Baltimore to score the winning run in the eleventh inning. Harper was unsteady in the second game, while McGinnity was effective, a passed ball saving the visitors from a shut out. Scores:

First game—		R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	0 1 0 0 0 0 0 2 1 0 0	4	12	1
Baltimore	0 0 1 0 0 3 0 0 0 0 1	5	14	1

Batteries—Knepper and Sugden; Howell and McGinnity and Robinson.

Second game—		R.	H.	E.
Cleveland	0 1 0 0 0 0 —	1	4	0
Baltimore	0 2 0 2 0 x —	4	6	0

Batteries—Harper and Sugden; McGinnity and Smith.

At Philadelphia—Inability to hit Hahn was the cause of the Philadelphias' defeat. An error by Beckley in the ninth gave the locals a chance to tie the score, but Geckel, who batted for Bernhardt, was not equal to the occasion. Elberfield was injured in the fifth inning, which brought McPhee into the game. Score:

		R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	0 2 0 0 2 0 0 1 0	5	12	1
Philadelphia	1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 2	4	7	3

Batteries—Hahn and Peitz; Donahue and Bernhardt and McFarland.

Baseball Brevities.

In 39 games with Baltimore Demont failed to bat safely in only three, batting for .334.

When Sandy Griffin took hold of the Syracuse team it had won about ten games. He closed the season with a record of 40 games won and 68 defeats. Sandy is the most popular manager who visits Toronto.

Goeckel does not improve in batting, and it is a big handicap to the team to have a .200 hitter on first base, with a .350 man on the bench. Give Chilcs a chance, and let the boys win that $2500.—Philadelphia Record.

Frank Crawford, who was discovered in the Canadian League by Tom Loftus, is said to lead the Western League in batting with an average of .357. Sammy Dungan is next with .347. The claim that John Ganzel of Kansas City is third in the list will hardly stand, for Davis must be considerably higher than that, and Gear seems to be a better batter than Ganzel. President Johnson has gone to Cass Lake to rest, but says that he will have the official averages out in a very short time.

It will take the official figures to find out who is really the league's best batsman, as Delehanty, Burkett, Keeler and McGraw are very closely bunched for batting honors.

"You never can tell when you have that Philadelphia bunch beaten," says Bucky Freeman. "You might have a lead of four or five runs on them up till the eighth, and then they will turn a trick on you with their bats. They are a breezy, rough-and-ready lot of players, and are steady fielders, and play good ball outside of their hitting."

"Pitching in these days seems to be confined to one specialty, and that is throwing the ball," says Charlie Snyder. "Of course we have several fine fielding pitchers in the big league to-day, but for all around work, such as batting, base running and fielding, where can we find the equal to-day of Bobby Carruthers, Dave Foutz and those association pitchers of the eighties?"

Sporting Editor World: On behalf of the Atlantic B.B.C., I beg to correct the statements made in your paper some days ago by the Garrett and Wideawake Clubs respectively. They have both been beaten twice by the Atlantics out of three games played with them, and as it is utterly out of the question to play them each three more games, I hope they will take their defeat like true sportsmen, and make their complaints to me instead of to the newspapers. Sandy Kelly, manager Atlantic B.B.C.

Officers' Team for London.

The following team of officers go up to London on Saturday at 2.10, G.T.R., to play the officers and non-coms. of the 7th Battalion, Saturday evening at indoor baseball: Capt. Cosby, 48th Highlanders, c.; Capt. Barker, Q.O.R., p.; Lieut. Gunn, Q.O.R., 1b.; Lieut. Mackenzie, 48th, 2b.; Lieut. Woodbridge, 48th, 3b.; Lieut. Davidson, Q.O.R., left s.s.; Lieut. Complin, Q.O.R., right s.s.; Lieut. Cosby, 48th, l.f. and change p.; Lieut. Storey, Q.O.R., r.f.

Sculling at Halifax.

Halifax, Sept. 21.—James Ten Eyck of Worcester, Mass., and James Norris of Halifax have arranged to row a three-mile scull race on Bedford Basin, Saturday afternoon, for $150 a side. A subscription sweepstake race is to take place on Bedford Basin next Wednesday, the competing oarsmen being Ten Eyck and Norris, John Brennan and Mark Lynch.

For the Varsity Games.

A place is fixed up on the Varsity campus for the athletes, and each day a number of them can be seen out training for the annual games to be held on the Varsity athletic grounds on Friday, Oct. 13.

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BOXERS TRAIN FOR RACE WEEK BOUT.

McCune Working With Harry Gilmore—Bennett at Phoenixville—They'll Arrive Sunday.

Tom McCune writes that he will stay in Chicago until Sunday to pick up some more points from Harry Gilmore at whose quarters, 77 Clark-street, he is training. Gilmore assures him that his punching ability should surely stop Bennett, and he is glad of the opportunity of the clever ex-Torontonian's tuition.

At the Globe Hotel they are expecting Jack Bennett every moment. The McKeesporter has been working at Phoenixville, Pa., the past two weeks and was ready to make 142 lbs. for Young Mahoney, so he is surely in the best condition. Bennett has a match with Kid Parker in Denver a week after his battle in the rink. In answer to a telegram yesterday Bennett wired the club that he would arrive in Toronto on Sunday, which would give him three days' light work here before entering the ring with the sturdy Detroiter.

Meanwhile the preliminary artists are working overtime at their respective quarters, and Moran v. Tilly and McGrady v. Thomas should provide the best short bout program ever seen in the city.

Around the Ring.

There'll be a queer old-time fight in Louisville within the next fortnight, when Jim Hall, the Australian, meets Joe Choynski, within the ropes and stakes, to do battle for the "has-been" championship.

The heavyweight championship battle between Jim Jeffries and Tom Sharkey will take place on October 27, instead of October 23. This was decided at a late meeting between Tom O'Rourke and Billy Brady.

Tom Sharkey and Ernest Roeber, the champion wrestler, are to fight a six-round glove contest at the Lenox A.C., New York, on October 12. In addition to the purse, there is a side wager of $1000 that Sharkey can't stop Roeber in six rounds.

Jimmy Smith, the champion bantamweight of Canada, who is to meet Joe McMahon, the hard-hitting Buffalo boy, before the Falls Field Athletic Club, on Tuesday evening, Sept. 26, writes to The Rochester Times that he is getting in first-class shape for his coming contest, and says his manager has some money to invest on him. These boys are to meet at 115 pounds for a guaranteed purse of $200.

If Joe Kennedy, the California heavyweight, defeats Peter Maher at the Lenox A. C. next Tuesday night, he will immediately challenge Bob Fitzsimmons and Kid McCoy to fight him during November in New York.

The date of Ben Jordan's contest with Eddie Santry is slated for Oct. 2, at Coney Island. It will be for 25 rounds at 122 pounds.

Charles (Kid) McCoy wants to be the champion middleweight of America and posted $1000 with The New York Journal to bind a match with Robert J. Fitzsimmons, the only man who he thinks has a claim of the title. McCoy will leave the money on deposit for 30 days for a match with Fitzsimmons at 158 pounds.

A New York despatch announces that the Coney Island, Lenox and Broadway boxing clubs have reached a mutual agreement whereby they will work in harmony in the future. Coney Island agreed to transfer all of the coming international fights, including those of Corbett and Fitzsimmons, Dixon and Curley and Wear and Bernstein, to the Lenox Club. The Jeffries-Sharkey fight, and any other heavyweight contest of similar importance will be decided at Coney Island, and the regular Monday night entertainments will continue through the winter.

Acton and Guelph.

Acton, Sept. 21.—Owing to the protest of the Galt Lacrosse Club against Acton being sustained by the C. L. A., the game which was ordered played on Guelph on Saturday, Sept. 23. Ever since the commencement of the lacrosse season the keenest rivalry has existed between these two clubs, the race for the Royal District championship being neck and neck between the three competing clubs. The result was that at the end of the scheduled season Galt, Fergus and Acton were tied for the championship. A meeting of the three clubs was then held in Guelph, at which Acton drew the bye. Galt won from Fergus in the play-off, and the Stars won from Acton in Waterloo, in the deciding game, by 6 goals to 1. Galt then found grounds for a protest, but they were not sufficient to give them the game, and the cup will be fought for again on Saturday. Special trains of rooters will be run both Acton and Galt for the occasion, and a lively game is expected, as both teams are strengthening and practising hard.

Richmond Hill and Beaverton.

Beaverton, Sept. 21.—Richmond Hill and Beaverton will play a "local-and-local" game in the first semi-finals for the intermediate championship C. L. A. at Beaverton on Monday next. This arrangement has been made at the request of the Richmond Hill Club, and has been sanctioned by President Stark.

Y.M.C.A. Basket-Ball League

At a meeting of the Gymnasium Committee of the Central Y.M.C.A Tuesday night, it was decided to organize a basket ball league of eight teams. The members of the winning team will be presented with silver medals. The following men were appointed as captains: Keffer, Cooper, Hewitson, Harding, Taylor, George Moore, Molyneux and H. Moore.

A handball tournament will be held during the Christmas holidays and the annual swimming contest will be held New Year's morning.

A committee composed of George Turvey, Cooper and H. Moore was appointed to arrange the indoor athletic contests, and Slade, Booth and Turvey were appointed to make arrangements for a gymnastic contest.

The bowling alleys will be opened Oct. 1, and a valuable prize will be given each month to the best bowlers.

The Philadelphia Eleven.

Philadelphia, Sept. 21.—The names of the members of the All-Philadelphia cricket team, which will meet Prince Ranjitsinhji's eleven at Haverford, a suburb of this city, Sept. 29 and 30 and Oct. 2, were announced today. They are: F H Bates, P H Clarke, N Z Graves, J E C Morton of the Germantown Cricket Club; J B King, A M Wood, Belmont Cricket Club; J H Mason, Philadelphia Cricket Club; J H Scattergood and H C Thayer, Mercer Cricket Club. The two remaining players will not be selected until after the game the 21 Colts are to play the visitors the first three days of next week. The Philadelphia eleven was selected by a committee representing all the clubs, and is made up of the best cricket material in the city, all of the players having participated in the international matches of previous years. Three matches in all will be played here by the visiting Englishmen, covering nine days.

Bicycle Briefs.

Hal B. Donly, secretary of the C.W.A., is in town for a few days.

J. P. Calnan, managing editor of The Canadian Wheelman, has resigned his position for a more lucrative one in Detroit.

The first important race meet of the indoor season, the meet of the Arena Athletic Club, at the Tattersall's building, Chicago, opening Sept. 27 and closing Oct. 4, will be run under sanction of the N.C.A., instead of the L.A.W., as originally announced. The announcement has been frequently made that this important meet would be held under sanction of the L.A.W., and the flop will come as a bombshell to the cycling world.

Sporting Miscellany.

The new quarters of the Toronto Rowing Club at Sunnyside will be the scene of a bowling tournament this evening between members of the Toronto and Sunnyside clubs. The competition will be for valuable prizes and all members are requested to be on hand.

It is nearly all arranged that Prince Ranjitsinhji and his team of English cricketers will play here against a Canadian team the second week in October.

An Acknowledged Fact.

It is now generally acknowledged by some of the best judges in the city that the "Collegian" Cigar, which J. A. Thompson, Tobacconist, 73 Yonge-street, retails at 5 cents straight, is superior to many so-called 10-cent brands. Try them and be convinced of this fact. 5

Rugby Gossip.

Both the Varsity and Argonaut teams had big turnouts yesterday afternoon on their respective grounds.

Biddy Barr is doing good work with Varsity and is improving daily.

Chummy Hill, Endicott, King and Charlie Synge were out with the Oarsmen yesterday.

Pud Kent was out with the Argonauts yesterday afternoon for the first time.

The Varsity Club are having their grounds enclosed with a high board fence.

Captain Burnside may be able to get out later in the season.

Boyd of last season's Varsity team will not be out till the middle of October.

Hardisty is showing up well on the Argonaut back division. He shows great improvement over his last year's form, especially in handling the ball.

Billy Ross of Varsity says the scrimmage will not be as weak as people imagine.

Kenny, who played with last season's Rough Riders, wrote to Manager Ross of Varsity yesterday stating he would not be here this season, but would play with his old team at Ottawa.

Gibson, who two seasons ago played with Varsity and since then with Ottawa City, will be back next week to play with Varsity.

Varsity will choose their halves for the present from Brown, Darling, Mackenzie and Beal.

Ralph Ripley has not yet been out in uniform with the Oarsmen, although he is coaching the wings.

Joe Wright is on afternoon duty and can not get out to practice this week. He will again play centre if Mitchell does not turn out.

Varsity are fancied by most of the local footballists to land the college championship this season.

Ripley's coaching is already working changes in the Argonaut wing line. They play a more aggressive game and follow up faster than last season.

There is a large crowd of enthusiasts watching the different practices each day to get a line on the players.

The Junior Schedule.

The following is the new junior schedule handed out since R. M. C. of Kingston was admitted:

Oct. 7 (A) London II. at Petrolea, Oct. 14, Petrolea at London II.

Oct. 7 (B) Toronto II. at Hamilton III., Oct. 14, Hamilton III. at Toronto II.

Oct. 7 (C) Limestones at R.M.C., Oct. 14, R.M.C. at Limestones.

Oct. 7 (D) Kingston National at Gananoque, Oct. 14, Gananoque at Nationals.

—Second Round—

Oct. 28—Winner of A v. winner of B at London or Petrolea.

Winner of C v. winner of D at Kingston or Gananoque.

Final to be arranged by executive.

Orton and the Steeplechase.

New York, Sept. 21.—The sixty-third games of the New York Athletic Club will be held Saturday at Travers Island. The steeplechase championship and the swimming championships will be held in connection with the games. The former event promises to be more interesting this year than ever. An excellent entry including the champion, George Orton, has been secured. Orton will have no easy task to win. The field is a good one. Cross-country running is rapidly developing a number of good distance men, and the veteran Orton may suffer defeat on the occasion. Kraenzlein, the great hurdler and broad jumper, will try the sprints. He intends to take up sprinting altogether next year. Flanagan will make one more attempt to create new figures for the sixteen-pound hammer.

A FAREWELL BANQUET.

National Club Honor Mr. John Aird Who Leaves to Assume a Responsible Position in Winnipeg.

Mr. John Aird of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, upon the eve of his departure for Winnipeg, as manager of the branch in that city, was last night tendered a complimentary banquet by the members of the National Club.

The dining hall was very prettily decorated for the occasion and Mr. Aird was made the recipient of many wellwishes and hearty handshakes by men who have been closely and intimately connected with him during his long and honorable business career in Toronto.

The Invited Guests.

The chair was occupied by Mr. A. E. Kemp, President of the Toronto Board of Trade, and among those present were: Senator Cox, president of the Bank of Commerce; B. E. Walker, general manager of the Bank of Commerce; A. E. Ames, J. H. Plummer, Lieut.-Col. Cosby, J. Lorne Campbell, H. D. Warren, R. A. Smith, William Ross, R. Myles, A. E. Jarvis, W. C. Mathews, F. Nicholls, Major Bellatt, H. W. Filton, W. J. Bickell, George G. Wishart, L. J. Cosgrave, L. A. Lash, H. P. Dwight, J. C. Kemp, H. H. Fudger, J. N. Shenstone, Massey-Harris; F. Stevenson, G. T. Ferguson, J. Pugsley, A. E. Webb, John Taylor, Elias Rogers, R. Kligour, J. Kirkbrook, W. Adie, G. A. Case, J. McKinnon, A. E. Burritt, S. F. Wilson, J. Gurney, W. K. McNaught, E. B. Osler, M. P., R. T. Coady and E. A. Wills, secretary of the Board of Trade.

A Jolly Good Fellow.

After justice had been done to the excellent repast, the health of the guest was drunk and he was musically told he was a jolly good fellow. Speeches followed, in which tributes were made to Mr. Aird's sterling qualities as a man. His removal was regretted by all and will be a decided loss to Toronto, but a great gain to Winnipeg. Still, he was going to a city that had wonderful possibilities before it and he was a man eminently fitted to occupy the important position he is about to assume. The speeches were not mere fulsome panegyrics, but expressions of honest opinions given by those who have known Mr. Aird for years and appreciate his many sterling qualities.

Some of those who spoke were: J. C. Kemp, Senator Cox, B. E. Walker, Lieut.-Col. Cosby, E. Gurney, W. K. McNaught and R. T. Coady.

VENEZUELA ARBITRATION.

Ex-President Harrison Said Britain Had Never Claimed More Than the Dutch Had.

Paris, Sept. 21.—Continuing his argument in behalf of Venezuela before the Anglo-Venezuelan Boundary Arbitration Committee to-day, ex-President Benjamin Harrison said the issue of diplomatic correspondence showed that Great Britain had never claimed more than the Dutch had. He held that the legal and political departments of the British Foreign Office did not seem to agree, the latter taking its inspiration from the surveyor, Sir Robert Schomburgk, while Sir Richard Webster, the British Attorney-General, went further and claimed the extended Schomburgk line.

Continuing, Mr. Harrison said he proposed to show that the Dutch rights of 1814 were much smaller than those of any line now suggested by Great Britain, and that those lines were now extinct, through the disputed territory. Any extension, he asserted, of the original lines could only be claimed through prescription or adverse holding, and that all the rest of the country belonged to Venezuela.

The commission adjourned until Monday.

CATHOLIC YOUNG MEN.

Officers of the National Union Were Elected at Newark, N.J., Yesterday.

New York, Sept. 21.—The following officers were elected yesterday by the National Union of Catholic Young Men's Societies in convention at Newark: President, Dr. S. H. Wall, New York; first vice-president, Rev. D. M. Bogan, Rahway, N.J.; second vice-president, J. M. Haggins, Richmond, Va.

Resolutions were adopted calling upon President McKinley for a thorough investigation of the reported desecration of Catholic churches in the Philippines by United States soldiers. The convention next year will be held in Brooklyn.

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Massachusetts Democrats Had a Lively Wrangle, But Endorsed Chicago Platform.

THE FIGHT WAS OVER DELEGATES

But in the End the Williams Party Was Triumphant—Paine for Governor.

Boston, Sept. 21.—The riotous scenes and the bitter fights between the two factions of the Democratic party in this state, which characterized and made famous the all-night session in the Music Hall here in 1896, and that at Worcester the following year, were renewed with even greater bitterness at the annual convention of the State Democracy in Mechanics' Hall today. There was hardly a minute, after the speeches of the temporary and permanent presiding officers were concluded, when there was quiet and harmony in any degree. At times the entire delegation was upon its feet, the members standing on chairs or tables, shouting in the heat of passion some denunciatory remarks at the chairman or the person who was endeavoring to speak upon the platform.

At times it seemed as though even the force of 100 policemen in the hall would be of no avail, so impassioned were those upon the floor. The climax came when, at the request of the chairman, W. S. McNary, the captain of police appeared upon the platform and placed his hand upon Congressman John E. Fitzgerald in readiness to forcibly remove him from the platform, had he not subsided and allowed the chairman to address and calm the excited assemblage.

Cause of the Tumult.

The cause of the tumult, which raged for nearly three hours, was the question before the body of accepting the action of the State Committee in presenting a list of delegates to the National Convention of Democrats next June. It was claimed by those who opposed the idea that it was against all precedent and robbed the various districts of their constitutional rights. The final result of all this confusion and discord was the overwhelming passage of every motion and report that was made by the Williams party, which, or that portion of the party organization which is guided by Mr. Frederick Williams, namely, the adoption of the platform as presented, the nomination of the state ticket and the election of National Convention delegates, headed by Robert Treat Paine, Jr., candidate for Governor, and John H. Mack for Lieut.-Governor, and the election of National Convention delegates.

Criminal Aggression.

The platform reiterates belief in the Chicago platform and renews a dem