

SNAP-SHOTS AT VARIOUS SPORTS

The talent still continue to be shaken to death. Notice Ottawa and the winter merry-go-rounds. Behold, he that betteth during the winter racing game, shall not lay up much treasure to take his wife and children abroad for the summer.

Now the dope artists are getting busy at the Ottawa ice races. The bookies need the money, even if the winter is not severe. An honest horse-man is the noblest work of nature.

Berlin is coming up to Stratford very strong tonight, and is bound to win. Stratford made the Dutchmen hurry when they played in Berlin, and can see nothing but a victory for their team. Excursions are being run to Stratford tonight from Toronto, Berlin, Woodstock and London. The local excursion leaves at 5:19 o'clock.

William Hendrie, one of Canada's veteran racing men, has taken his son, W. Hendrie, Jr., into partnership in the racing stable. Registration of partnership has been filed, with the younger man having a one-quarter interest. It evidently is the intention to begin the season much earlier than usual, as stable accommodations have been applied for at Benning. The stable will be a large one. The horses will be shipped at an early date and prepared for the spring meeting.

The New Zealanders beat the British Columbia team, but they will never see to the pinnacles of fame until they visit Hamilton's only bluff.

Rowe, of Harris, is suspended now. You never can tell when a man is suspended by the O. H. A. executive. There is a tide in hockey affairs, which taken at the flood, leads to a suspension, but omitted you are liable to get your blooming heads beaten off.

We are beginning to wonder, if Stratford is beaten tonight, whether they will unearth some evidence to boost Berlin. It generally happens when the Classic City get theirs.

Selly Henderson, the crack Winnipeg oarsman, will try for the diamond sculls at Henley this summer. He is a member of the Argonaut Rowing Club of Toronto, and will row under their colors in the event. He ought to win.

Quite a bunch of Londoners are going to Stratford tonight to see the Berlin-Stratford game. It promises to be a hummer. Betting is about even on the match. With keen ice there ought to be something doing every minute.

The scandal that has come to light the last few days regarding the doping of Lou Dillon in the match race, gives a bad view of conditions prevailing in the harness racing. The Grand Circuit was none too free from crooked work last year, and Canadians especially complained of the treatment they received. It would be well if the stewards kept a more watchful eye this season.

The "turf history" of ancient Rome shows some curious points of contact with that of our own time. According to Prof. Rodolfo Lanciani, the education of colts was generally finished when they were three years old, and their racing career often ended when they were five. Lists of the horses with their names, and those of their riders and drivers (in the chariot races), and the colors were circulated some days before the races, and heavy betting was the rule. It is lamentable to learn that Roman racing stables were hotbeds of intrigue, and that the bribing of jockeys was practiced on a large scale. An inscription discovered in Rome on May 19, 1878, gives some details of the career of a jockey named Cresceus, who began riding at the age of 13 in the year A. D. 115. He won his first race on Aug. 1 in that year, "driving" four horses whose names are given as Cirdus, Acceptor, Delicatus and Cotymus. Cresceus died in A. D. 124, having in ten years saved no less than \$2,325.

The Grand Circuit racing at Readville this season will follow the methods of the running tracks in other respects that in making the racing virtually dash racing. Each event will consist of three dashes of one mile each, in which the same horses will contest. The betting will be confined to the result of each one of these dash races, and will not, of course, afford any opportunity for pool selling. The starters in these events will draw for position before the first dash, but in the two following dashes will start in the positions they finished in in the preceding heat. The most important particular in which these events resemble the races on the running tracks after the dash features, is the division of the money. Each purse will be divided into three equal parts, one of which will be raced for each time the horses start. The winner of the dash will get 70 per cent of the purse, second horse will get 20 per cent, and the third horse will get 10 per cent. This division of the purse will certainly furnish an incentive to drivers to try for first money, for there will be mighty little money in it for a driver who lays up in any of the dashes. The big trotting event of the Readville meeting, the Massachusetts purse, which will be for \$3,000 this year, the horse that will finish first in each of the three heats or dashes will win \$6,300, which is much more than could be won under the old system. Just how this new plan will take with the trotting-horse men is difficult to predict, but it need not be surprising if it jumps into favor after a trial.

There has always been much interest in the McGovern-Nelson bout on March 14, but it has not been enhanced by the slanging match between the two managers. Each has called the other some choice names, and the distressed public is willing to concede the correctness of all the accusations, providing the two belligerent managers will cease their tirades. As to the contest, most people doubt Terry's ability to drop the Battler, as he has shown himself to be tough as armor plate. On the other hand, Terry is known to have an extremely weak jaw, and if the Battler lands it will be the wind-up for the Brooklyn boy. At the same time there is a lot of McGovern money coming to the front, and it promises to be a heavy betting fight.

The sensationally fast pacing filly, Lady Patch, by Dan Patch, 1:55, dam Wina G., 2:19 1/4, by Coleridge, 2:05 1/4, that paced a mile fast season as a 2-year-old in 2:11 3/4, last half in 1:05, and last quarter in :31, has been placed in the stable of the well-known trainer, Dallas Custer, of Indianapolis, Ind., to get ready to race next summer. Several good judges look for this daughter of Dan Patch to beat 2:07 this season in her 3-year-old form.

Were it not for what Fred Marriott did with his little steamer, which is hardly a true automobile, the reports on the races on the Florida beach would seem to have come from a foreign land. American cars scarcely had a "look in."

He had led her out to look at his new automobile, with its magnificent bay-windowed body. He was one who had seen some grievous experiences, through reckless driving on the road, too. "Isn't that a stunner?" he exclaimed.

"Oh, I think it is just perfectly killing!" she cried gushingly.

"Huh!" said he.

Pitching records of the National League for the season of 1905 are interesting to fans. Following are some of the facts disclosed by the records: Mathewson hit but one man during the entire season. Hahn averaged less than one base on balls per game. Fraser, Boston, allowed greatest average bases on balls per game, 2.8. Ames struck out most men per game, average 5.3. Leever led in percentage of victories, .800. Pittenger and McGinnity pitched in largest number of games, 46. McFarland, St. Louis, allowed greatest number of hits, 9.1 per game. Elliott, New York, allowed smallest average hits per game, 4.1. Mathewson allowed smallest average runs per game, 2. Mitchell, Brooklyn, allowed largest average runs per game, 4.1.

COVERPOINT.

FOOTBALL

LIKE NEW ZEALAND GAME.

Bekeley, Cal., Feb. 11.—The New Zealand Rugby football team defeated the Vancouver, B. C., team yesterday 41 to 6. The New Zealanders played a strong and fast game and their team work was almost perfect.

President Jordan, of the Stanford University, and President Wheeler, of the University of California, together with members of the faculty interested in athletics, witnessed the game and were favorably impressed with it. As a result it is likely that the game will be adopted by the two universities.

OVER \$25,000 IN STAKES FOR FORT ERIE AND WINDSOR MEETS

The stakes to be decided at the Fort Erie and Windsor meetings this summer were announced Saturday with dates by Ed. Mills, Buffalo representative of the Highland Park Jockey Club. The Fort Erie meeting will begin on July 17 and continue to Aug. 25, during which time nine valuable stakes will be decided. The principal event, of course, will be the Canadian Derby, which will be run on the opening day as usual. The stakes close on March 5. Seven stakes will be decided during the Windsor meeting, which runs from June 16 to July 7. A list of the Fort Erie stakes with their conditions and values follows:

The Canadian Derby, \$3,000.—A sweepstake for 3-year-olds, \$20 to accompany the nomination, \$100 additional to start; value of the stake to be \$3,000, of which \$2,300 to the winner, \$400 to second, \$200 to third, fourth save start; winners of 2-year-old stakes of \$1,500 value to carry three pounds extra; of any two stakes in 1906 aggregate value of \$3,000, or one of \$5,000 value, five pounds extra; non-winners of a 3-year-old stake of \$1,200 value that have not won three races this year, selling races excepted, allowed seven pounds; non-winners this year, twelve pounds; maidens, eighteen pounds; fillies allowed eight pounds. One and one-quarter miles.

Genoa Hotel Handicap, \$1,500.—For 3-year-olds, \$10 to accompany the nomination, \$40 additional to start; value \$1,500, of which \$1,200 to the winner, \$200 to second, \$100 to third; weights to appear three days prior to the race; time of closing of entries, Aug. 15. One mile.

Canadian Sportsman's Handicap, \$1,500.—For 3-year-olds and upwards, \$10 to accompany the nomination and \$10 additional to start; value \$1,500, of which \$1,200 to the winner, \$200 to second and \$100 to third. Weights to appear three days prior to the race; time of closing of entries, Aug. 15. One mile.

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O. H. A. CONFIRMS ROWE'S SUSPENSION

Also Orders Stratford Club to Remove an Objectionable Bandstand in the Rink.

Toronto, Feb. 10.—The O. H. A. executive met this afternoon and confirmed the suspension of Rowe, the Barris player, who failed to appear before the sub-committee to explain his connection with the Portage professional team. It has been intimated that the injunction proceedings will be dropped.

Parry Sound and Sturgeon Falls were ordered to play a sudden death game at South River if satisfactory terms can be arranged with the rinks there. Alliston and Collingwood played an intermediate game in the latter town on Monday and Barris in Collingwood on Wednesday.

The next round in the junior series will be between Lindsay and Midland. Lindsay plays in Midland on Tuesday night and Midland in Lindsay on Friday night.

The Stratford club was ordered to remove an overhead band stand from its rink. Visiting teams complain that it stops lifts. This action was taken at the request of Berlin seniors, who play a championship game there Monday night.

A fine of \$10 imposed upon the Alliston club for being late was remitted. There were present: President Darroch, J. Ross Robertson, A. F. Webster, H. E. Wettlaufer, H. E. Jamieson, A. B. Cunningham and A. W. MacPherson.

AN IMPORTANT CHANGE MADE IN SPRING DATES

New York, Feb. 11.—The stewards of the Jockey Club met Friday and made an important change in the arrangements of the dates allotted for the spring meeting at the Belmont Park and Gravesend race tracks.

The two tracks have divided their spring meetings so that beginning May 10 at Belmont Park, racing will be conducted by the Westchester Racing Association until May 19. Then there will be a switch to Gravesend May 21 racing to be conducted there until May 26; when the scene changes again to the Belmont Park, May 28 to June 6. Gravesend's spring season will then be concluded with racing from June 7 to 20. The Sheephead summer meeting will follow June 21. In addition to the long meeting of 22 days from July 11 to Aug. 4, the Brighton Beach track has arranged six days of racing, from Oct. 1 to 6.

The revised list of dates now read as follows: Washington Jockey Club—March 25 to April 14 and Nov. 15 to Dec. 1. Maryland Jockey Club, Baltimore—April 15 to April 23. Queens County Jockey Club (Aqueduct)—June 21 to July 10 and Nov. 3 to Nov. 15. Metropolitan Jockey Club (Jamaica)—April 27 to May 9 and Oct. 22 to Nov. 2. Westchester Racing Association (Belmont Park)—May 10 to May 19, May 25 to June 6 and Oct. 8 to Oct. 15. Brooklyn Jockey Club (Gravesend)—May 21 to May 26, June 7 to June 20 and Sept. 17 to Sept. 23. Coney Island Jockey Club (Sheepshead)—June 21 to July 10 and Sept. 1 to Sept. 15. Brighton Beach Racing Association—July 11 to Aug. 4 and Oct. 1 to Oct. 6. Saratoga Racing Association, Saratoga—Aug. 6 to Aug. 21.

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ROUGH HOUSE AT OTTAWA GAME; ROTTEN EGGS HURLED AT PLAYER

Referee Also Assaulted—Ottawa Has an Easy Win With the Victorias.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—By a score of 7 to 4 Smith's Falls defeated the Victorias of Ottawa Saturday night and virtually won the Federal League championship.

The game was marred by tactics disgraceful to Ottawa. One of the spectators threw a rotten egg, which hit Armstrong, of Smith's Falls, square in the neck. The offender is known and the police will likely take the next hand in the game.

Shoulders of the Victorias, distinguished himself by assaulting Referee Lester Patrick, of Montreal, and threatening the judge of play. He will be reported to the union.

QUEBEC DEFEATS SHAMROCKS. Quebec, Feb. 11.—The Quebec hockey club won last night, defeating Shamrocks 14 to 8. The game was a one-sided affair. Quebec outclassed Shamrocks at all stages. Shamrocks put up a half game in the first half, but in the second they were not in it. The feature of the game was Jordan and Powers' close combination. They were responsible for the high score. The game was clean all the way through. About six men being put off for minor offenses.

PAN DRIESD LOSE. Ingersoll, Feb. 11.—The Warriors, of Ingersoll, defeated the Pan Drieds, of Tillsonburg, in a fast and exciting game of hockey here last night by a score of 6 to 3. Half time score, 3 to 1, in favor of the visitors.

WON IN NEW RINK.

Chesley, Feb. 10.—The first game of hockey was played in Chesley's new rink, in which the home team defeated Hanover by a score of 6 to 1. The

FAVORITE BEATEN ON THE ICE, IS SAID TO HAVE BEEN DOPED

Fully \$15,000 Changed Hands By the Defeat of Conduct at the Ottawa Meet.

Ottawa, Feb. 11.—The Ottawa ice races closed yesterday with fully 1,000 spectators present. The event closed rather ingloriously, however, as charges of fraud are made out of the five-mile race.

Conduct, owned by W. T. Mason, of Port Rowan, Ont., was the favorite, and the odds were 10 to 3 in his favor. Instead of Conduct winning R. and R. in the betting, crossed the wire first.

After Conduct had gone a mile or so he began to stagger and was completely out of the race. Driver Kennedy, an Ottawa man, claims that the horse was doped, and his knowledge of horses and reputation for honesty got his charges a hearing for honesty got his

Fully \$15,000 is said to have been changed by the men alleged to have been behind the despotic trick.

The National Trotting Association of New York has been made acquainted of the charge by wire, after the judges held a meeting behind closed doors today. Smith, of Buffalo, who was one of the judges, however, made no attempt at concealing his belief that Conduct was doped. Kennedy, the driver, says the dope given was of a kind that takes effect after the horse became heated, which was the case on Saturday.

The charge created intense excitement, and an angry mob was on the lookout for the man alleged to have been responsible for the deed. He kept in hiding, however, and only by that was his safety assured.

All the races were close and some neck-and-neck finishes were witnessed. The summary was as follows:

Five-mile dash.—R. and R. J. Renaud, Montreal; Wauntha H. Donald, Redwood, New York; Sabie, Alcaner C. Cry, Ogdensburg; Shina, N. Ray, Toronto; Sir Christopher, A. D. McBride, Ottawa; Conduct, W. T. Mason, Port Rowan, Time, 13:42.

Best time, 2:20 1/2.

Barnardo, F. Shackett, Soo, 2 4 1 1 3 1

Roger, J. Nesbitt, Toronto, 1 1 6 3 2 3

Star, Prince, W. W. Bouchie, 4 2 3 2 1 2

Michigan, H. R. Norris, 3 2 3 3 4 4

Riley, B. H. Scott, Toronto, 3 2 3 3 4 4

Best time, 2:20 1/2.

Lezer, Wilkes and Sir Robert also ran.

O'Reilly, Bell, J. F. Daly, Orillia, 1 1 1

Vena, Inez, P. C. Wheeler, Water-

town, N. Y., 2 2 2 2 2 2

Birdie, Hayes, H. Leadley, Cooks-

town, 4 4 4 4 4 4

George, A. Labelle, Mon-

tré, 3 3 3 3 3 3

Best time, 2:22.

Silver Star, Sand Point and Miss Paisley, Ottawa, also ran.

2:30 pace and trot, \$400.

Gladstone, W. R. McGirr, Parry-

Harbor, 7 5 4 3

Star, Prince, W. W. Bouchie, 6 6 6 6

Ottawa, 5 4 3 1

Emma, L. J. Lamb, Toronto, 5 4 3 1

Star, Prince, W. W. Bouchie, 5 4 3 1

Berlin, 4 3 2 2

Dan, H. Lebrun and A. Richard

Montreal, 2 1 2 5

Jim, X. W. J. Pearson, Montreal, 3 7 5 0

Gertrude, Pontier, D. C. W. Ed-

win, Montreal, N. Y., 1 2 1 4

Time—2:25, 2:25 1/2, 2:25, 2:25.

DIFFERENCES SETTLED BY TROTTING ASSOCIATIONS

Chicago, Ill., Feb. 10.—A satisfactory adjustment was reached on all questions under discussion between the Grand Circuit trotting tracks and the American and National Trotting Association at the rules committee meeting today. As a result of the final negotiations there will be presented at the congress of the National Association, to be held in New York next week, a rule which reads as follows:

"Any circuit of five or more tracks belonging to either the American or National Association may, after incorporation, have authority to appoint racing stewards, who shall have full power over the racing at the tracks of the circuit. The names of these stewards shall be submitted to the presidents of the American and National Association, and, if the nominations are agreed to by both the particular associations, they will constitute a governing body for the circuit, by which they are named, acting jointly for the tracks, and the parent association, and their decisions shall be binding until the close of racing on the circuit for which they act."

Another matter of which the conference took notice is the making of time records by trotters and pacers. At present the rules governing trials against time are not observed in spirit by some of the tracks where trials are made. A new rule was formulated, which provides, among other things, that not only must the meetings at which time trials take place be in every respect bona fide, but also that the events, aside from the time trials, making up each day's programme, must be real contests in which every horse tries all the time.

A stop also is to be put to the practice of having three colts making up a so-called race, arranged for the purpose of giving each animal a mark about as fast as it can go.

SPRINTING.

SHERRING FOR ATHENS.

Hamilton, Feb. 11.—It is a certainty that "Bill" Sherring, Hamilton's famous sprinter, will go to Athens to take part in the Marathon race in April. Sherring yesterday bought a ticket for Newport and will sail from New York next Sunday.

BILLINGS IS MUM; NOTHING TO SAY

Does Not Want to Get Mixed Up in Action Against Smathers—Horsemen Talk.

Chicago, Feb. 10.—C. K. G. Billings, owner Lou Dillon, is now on his way to New York, and it is understood that he is decidedly averse to any participation in the controversy regarding the cup won by Major Delmar at Memphis, and which was seized on the ground that at the time of the race Lou Dillon was drugged. There are, however, several gentlemen in this city who witnessed the race between Lou Dillon and Major Delmar, and who have been familiar with the progress of the investigation into the race inaugurated by the Memphis Driving Association shortly after its conclusion.

One of these men said today: "It is incredible that the Memphis Driving Association would take steps so radical as to seize on the ground that Lou Dillon was drugged, and that the evidence which it regards as conclusive that the mare Lou Dillon was tampered with."

"The matter was of such interest that the action which has been taken could not have been the result of any sudden determination, and must have been the result of long premeditated and carefully considered and executed plans. In view of this fact, the driving association, while believing that a gross wrong has been perpetrated, had to be carefully persistent and unflinching in running down all of the clues which were developed."

"The association met with the usual difficulties attendant upon unearthing a premeditated conspiracy, and it was only after the conspiracy was developed, and circumstances pointing unerringly to the inspiration of the scheme had been disclosed, that all the evidence secured was laid before the eminent counsel who, it appears, have taken action in the courts. The best veterinarians of the country have been had Lou Dillon under their care and scrutiny, and to this day none of them are able to say that she will ever recover her former greatness."

"Assuming that the legal action for the recovery of the cup is brought to a successful issue, it is manifest, of course, that probably the least important feature of the matter has been settled, and there will still remain the graver questions of responsibility for the damages done to the mare, as well as the personal responsibility involved. If the association succeeds in the action for the recovery of the cup the atrocious character of the wrong done would necessarily indicate to the public officials the next step to be taken."

"THUMPS" WAS THE EXCUSE. Memphis, Tenn., Feb. 10.—Murray Howe, secretary of the Memphis Trotting Association at the time of the race for the Memphis gold cup in 1904, and Frank G. Jones, the president of the club, are out of the city and no one in authority here is competent to speak on the question of the possibility that Lou Dillon had been given drugs before her race with Major Delmar.

The race was one of the most sensational in the history of the local trotting turf. The \$5,000 gold cup, which, it is said, has been taken away from Mr. Smathers' apartments in New York, was offered by the Memphis association, and was to belong to the driving club whose member won it twice. E. E. Smathers took the first race in 1902 with Lord Derby. C. K. G. Billings won the next one in 1903 with Lou Dillon, and at the final race the year following was won by Mr. Smathers, who drove Major Delmar.

Before the race Lou Dillon had worked close to the record, and she was the favorite in the betting. Although Ottawa defeated the Victorias by a score of 10 to 4, thus giving them a chance with the Wanderers, should each team win out in their succeeding engagements, The Victorias were never in it for a minute. Although they played good hockey, Ottawa had them at every turn of the game.

YALE BLANKS PRINCETON.

New York, Feb. 10.—Hockey: Yale, 3, Princeton, 0.

GALT LOSES TO SAINTS.

Toronto, Feb. 11.—In the senior O. H. A. game at the Mutual street rink last night, St. George's defeated Galt by a score of 8 to 3. Half time score, 4 to 1.

MILLER'S DEATH REMOVES A PROMINENT TURFMAN

London, Feb. 10.—The death of Sir James Miller removes from the British turf one of its most prominent figures, and one whose place will be hard to fill. He was steward of the Jockey Club, and was an active and successful owner of race horses. He began racing in 1889 and succeeded in winning the Derby in his second season. Sainfoin was the horse which turned the trick for him in 1890. He again took the Derby with Rock Sand in 1903. Sainfoin never won another race, but he was the sire of Rock Sand, one of the most successful of British horses, having to his credit 16 stakes no less than £45,615. He won the 2,000 guineas and the St. Leger. Sir James was also credited with the Oaks, the 1,000 guineas, the City and Sulgrave and the Czarzewich, so that he had won seven of the classics of the British turf. During the seven years he was racing Sir James won £114,000 in stakes, and in 1903 and 1904 headed the list of winning owners. He was quiet and unobtrusive to a degree, but was thoroughly in earnest, and a high type of the thoroughbred British sportsman.

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MONTREAL FRANCHISE SOLD.

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WRESTLING.

GOTCH DOWNS APOLLO.

Montreal, Que., Feb. 10.—Frank Gotch, the great American wrestler, who has repeatedly been invited to Canada to meet the best mat experts that could be found here, again made good last night in a hard-fought match at Sohmer Park. On his last visit Gotch met Apollo, the Irish giant, weight 260 pounds, at mixed styles, and won, taking two catch-as-catch-can falls. Last night they met again at straight Graco-Roman style, French rules, that preferred by the Irishman.

It was a wickedly contested bout from the start. Apollo smashed Gotch into the ropes and gained the first fall, but tired in the succeeding bouts and suffered a hard grueling, losing the deciding falls to Gotch, who finished fresh.

Gotch has never lost a match in Canada. Before he returns to the States he will meet the best man that Quebec and Ottawa can produce.

CANADIAN DEFEATS OLSEN. Chicago, Feb. 11.—"Bob" Douglas, the Canadian heavyweight wrestler, tonight defeated "Buff" Olsen, of Cleveland. The match was at catch-as-catch-can, and Douglas won two straight falls.

HOCKEY.

CASKETMAKERS PLAY.

Two teams from the Globe Casket Works played a good game of hockey on the Pall Mall street rink Saturday afternoon. The wooden men defeated the iron men by a score of 13 to 3. Kingsworth was captain of the winners, and Durden of the losers.

A FAST HOCKEY GAME.

The London Printing and Litho Company defeated the printers of Lawton & Jones in a fast hockey game on Saturday, by a score of 2 to 0.

A STEP TOWARDS OPENING THE GAME

Ten Yards To Be Gained on Three Downs, Is Decision of the Committee.