THE TORONTO ATHLETIC CLUB

A MEETING OF THE SCHEME'S PROMOTERS YESTERDAY.

Location for the Building Selected in College-Avenue — Who Will Become Stockholders?—C. H. Nelson's Laudable Efforts — Players' Baseball Magnates Meet and Alter Their Schedule.

It is now nearly two weeks since The World announced that schemes were being projected for the building of a commodious, handsome and useful building for a Toronto athletic association, and described the plans for the same. The promoters of two schemes were thus brought together with the result that Mr. Langmuir has permitted his to rest in abeyance until he is satisfied that Mr. Nelson's would be a success or a failure. It now appears that not only will the result of Mr. Nelson's efforts be successful but that Toronto will have an athletic club building and association second to none in the Dominion.

An informal meeting was held at the Albany Club yesterday by several gentlemen interested in the concern. Among those present were Messrs. C. H. Nelson, Hon. John Beverly Robinson, T. C. Patteson, John Massey, A. D. Langmuir and Dr. J. W. F. Ross. It was reported that the refusal of the Jones lot in College-street had been secured. It would be simply impossible to locate in a more central position than here. The property is a large one with about 200 feet frontage on the north side and about 100 yards from Yonge, and will most likely be secured en bloc for the building.

It was decided to invite representative members of the prominent athletic and sporting clubs in the city to lend their aid. They will be invited to subscribe stock as individuals, however, and not as members of any particular club.

Finally it was decided to hold the preliminary formal meeting at the Queen's Hotel next Tuesday at 4 p.m.

Mr. Nelson was seen about the project. He is most pleased at the result. It has surpassed his best hopes. He has received encouragement from every quarter and by many well-known financial men. Mr. J. I. Davidson, president of the Board of Trade, was unavoidably absent from the meeting but declared that he would follow the exemplary lead of Mr. Nelson. Toronto has always been a sporting centre, and when its athletic association is completely organised and the building constructed, many more men with athletic ability will float Queen Cityward, our youth will be carefully developed and then we can cope successfully with the big clubs of New York and other American cities.

THE PLAYERS' LEAGUE

Reinstate All Deserters—No Sunday Games—Thanks to the Judges.

NEW YORK, April 2.—The Players' League meeting proved to be harmonious to-day. The opening dates were changed so that the seasons of both the National League and the Players' League will open on the same day, April 19. This action of the Brotherhood in selecting the same opening day as the National League makes the fight more aggressive than ever.

The question of taking back deserters from the Brotherhood was settled without much argument. It was decided that Beckley, Mulvey and Delahanty be reinstated under a resolution requiring a unanimous vote of the Board of Directors for such a purpose. The case of John T. Pickett, the shortstop of the Philadelphia Players' Club whose services are claimed by the Kansas City club of the American Association under the reserve clause, was taken up and settled. It was decided to let Pickett stay with the Brotherhood.

The action of the Cleveland Convention in allowing to each club two per cent. of all the tickets issued as complimentaries was reversed and the figure increased to 3 per cent.

No exhibition games will be allowed on Sunday. The convention then adjourned after passing resolutions of thanks to Judges Howland and Bacon of New York and Moore and Vanderslice of Philadelphia for their work in the recent legal difficulties between the National League and the Brotherhood.

After the meeting adjourned the umpires assembled and discussed with Secretary Brunell the playing rules and their proper interpretation. Those present were: Bob Ferguson of Brooklyn, James Gaffney of Worcester, Charles Jones and William Hobbert of New York, Bobby Matthews of Philadelphia, Ross Barnes of Chicago, Thomas Gunning of Philadelphia and Alonzo Knight of New York.

The Brothers in Buffalo.

BUFFALO, April 2.—Keefe, Ferson, Haddock, Carney, Irwin, Wise, Beecher, Hoyt, Rainey, Halligan, Clark and Mack, of the Buffalo Players' League team, reported for duty yesterday. Jack Rowe returned from Golden, Col., where he has been spending the winter, and took charge of the men. Krock is expected to-morrow. Practice will begin at the State Arsenal to-morrow morning.

Exhibition Games Yesterday.

At New York:	
New York (N.L.)	13
Yale	6
At Philadelphia:	
Philadelphia (N.L.)	13
University of Pennsylvania	12
At Brooklyn:	
Brooklyn (N.L.)	8
Metropolitan	5

Just the Players Toronto Needs.

COLUMBUS, April 2.—During the visit of the Cincinnati Baseball Club here Manager Tom Loftus unguardedly gave out the information as to which of the Cincinnati players were to be released by the management. This has been a close secret since it became known that at least four of the present club would be allowed to go. Here is the list: Billy Earle, catcher, Tony Mullane, pitcher; Hick Carpenter, third base, and either Tebeau or Nicol, fielders, with chances largely in favor of the latter. Manager Loftus thinks Mullane has seen his best days in the box, while the great work of Harrington behind the bat disposes of Earle's chances. Marr will cover third base permanently, retiring Carpenter. Loftus is still undecided as to the two fielders mentioned.

Toronto Secures Outfielder Bottenus.

Yesterday the Toronto management wired their acceptance of the terms of Bottenus of last season's Toledos and sent him $100 advance money. Bottenus played 70 games with Morton's Maumees, had a batting average of 226 and a fielding average of 916, ranking 77th in batting and 16th among the outfielders. He is a brilliant base runner, having 37 stolen bases to his credit last year. Bottenus was troubled with malarial fever and was forced to retire from the diamond temporarily. He is now reported in first-class condition and no doubt will prove a good man for Manager Maddock's team. He is at present in Chicago and will report in this city about April 15.

Dust from the Diamond.

Ganzel has been appointed manager of the Boston National League team.

Harvard begins her spring games Monday with Tufts College at Cambridge.

The Brotherhood may change their schedule to avoid conflicting with National League clubs.

The Brotherhood has gratefully permitted its clubs to play exhibition games with each other this spring.

Mulvey says he will stick to the Brotherhood and pay back the $1250 he received from the Philadelphia League Club.

The Atlantic Association schedule has been made public at New Haven. The championship season will open on April 19.

Harry Wright says that in Allen, Hamilton, Burke, Meyer and Gray he has some of the finest youngsters in the country.

The Hamilton management have been asked by an International team if $500 will be accepted by them for the release of Eddie Sales.

Regarding Pitcher Knauls, A. J. Reach says: "I think he is a good man, but I am not particularly partial to left-hand pitchers."

It is said that the Pittsburg National League Club has offered First Baseman Beckly of that city's Players' Club a salary of $4900 per annum to desert.

Each Players' Club will have a special flag for itself and seven for its Brothers'. Its own and the one representing the visiting club will fly from the grand stand the day of a game.

A. J. Reach says that he is not in favor of trying to force Mulvey and Delahanty to play with the Philadelphia club, feeling that their presence on the team would be injurious, since they have shown their preference for playing elsewhere.

The first casualty of the baseball season occurred in a game Sunday at Berte's summer resort, back of Newport. John Miller and Robert Babcock quarreled over the umpire's decision, and Babcock fractured Miller's skull. Miller is not expected to live.

Detroit correspondents are indulging in much silly talk relative to the constancy of that city to the International League. This is amusing. Detroit undertook to make a booby of Toledo, but failed, and since that time has endeavored to enter the League, Association and Players' League, but has been refused.—Toledo Bee.

Manager Bacon of Buffalo stipulated that he would give Andrus a bonus of $100 for signing with his club. Yesterday the nimble right-fielder received a duly marked check for that amount and a contract. The construction was so that had Andrus signed his bonus would have answered for advance money instead of an extra century. The contract was returned.

OPENING OF THE SUMMER MEETING.

The First and Second Days' Races of the Washington Jockey Club.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—The inaugural meeting of the new Washington Jockey Club, which is the successor of the old National Jockey Club, opened on the reconstructed course at Benning's yesterday. The weather was fair but cold, notwithstanding which there was a large crowd present and the races were well contested. Only two favorites won.

First race, purse $500, 5 furlongs—Village Maid 1, Onward 2, Beck 3. Time 1.26.

Second race, purse $500, 6 furlongs—Shotover 1, Manhattan 2, Cornelia 3. Time 1.19.

Third race, purse $500, for 2-year-olds, ½ mile—Captain Wagner 1, Coriolanus 2, Elston, formerly Postmaster, 3. Time 52¾.

Fourth race, purse $500, 1 1-16 mile—Proctor 1, Vandegrift 2, Bess 3. Time 1.56½.

Fifth race, purse $500, 1 mile, over 4 hurdles—Tim Murphy 1, Bassano 2, Elphin, 3. Time 1.56½.

The results of to-day's races were as follows, the weather being good and the track fast:

First race, 6 furlongs—Parthian 1, San Jose 2, Gypsey King 3. Time 1.19¾. Post odds 10 to 1 against winner.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Fallmall 1, Little Ella 2, Faustina 3. Time 1.18¾. Post odds 4 to 1 against winner.

Third race, ½ mile—Kitty T. 1, Helen Wallace filly 2, Marguerita 3. Time .51¾. Kitty T. sold at 6 to 1.

Fourth race, 1⅛ miles — Prather 1, Frank Ward 2, Iceberg 3. Time 1.30. Post odds Prather 3 to 5.

Fifth race— Manhattan 1, Carrie G. 2, Not Guilty 3. Time 1.48. Post odds 5 to 2 against Manhattan.

Good Racing at Clifton.

NEW YORK, April 2.—At Clifton to-day: First race, selling, 5 furlongs—Chapman 1, Golden Rod 2, Theora 3. Time 1.04¼.

Second race, 7½ furlongs—St. Mary 1, Linguist 2, Lady Archer 3. Time 1.33¼.

Third race, 6½ furlongs—Romp 1, Lemon Blossom 2, Hairspring 3. Time 1.23 3-5.

Fourth race, ⅞ mile—Lizzie 1, Ensla 2, Florence 3. Time .52¼.

Fifth race, 1 mile handicap—Falcon and Glory ran a dead heat in 1.39¾, Grimaldi finishing third. In the run-off the Falcon walked off with the honors in 1.44¼.

Sixth race, ¾ mile—Fordham 1, Rafter 2, Harrison 3. Time 1.17¾.

An Extra Day at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, April 2.—This was an extra day. The weather was clear and the track fast. The results:

First race, 6 furlongs, selling—Carlton 1, Lida L. 2, Nosegay 3. Time 1.18¼.

Second race, 5 furlongs, selling—Crispino 1, Lilly Lochiel 2, Regardless 3. Time, not given. Puente was favorite at 5 to 3 against the field.

Third race, 7 furlongs, Pickwick stakes—Lady Blackburn 1, Harvester 2, Hardes 3. Time 1.30¾. Hardes was favorite at 8 to 5 on field.

Fourth race, 1 mile, Handicap—McMurtry 1, Macauley 2, Zeke Hardy 3. Time 1.43¾. Macauley was favorite at 2 to 5 on field.

Racing in England.

LONDON, April 2.—The Nottingham spring meeting opened yesterday. The race for the Nottingham Spring Handicap of 500 sovereigns for 3-year-olds and upwards, winning penalties, about a mile, was won by Mr. A. Cockburn's aged bay horse Jezreel by Beauclerc, out of Jezabel, by three-parts of a length. Mr. J. T. Whipp's aged brown gelding Tommy Tittlemouse, by Berserker, out of Lady Stanley, was second, a neck before Mr. W. Marshall's 6-year-old bay horse Woodland, by Springfield, out of Eglentyne. There were seven starters. The last betting was 8 to 1 against Jezreel, 7 to 1 against Tommy Tittlemouse and 4 to 1 against Woodland. Mr. Blundell Maple's 6-year-old bay horse Appenzell was the favorite in the betting, the odds against him being 5 to 2.

Gossip of the Turf.

There will be ten days more winter racing at Guttenburg and Clifton.

Mr. J. E. Seagram's Bonnie Ino and Helen Lee have been entered for the Dominion Handicap.

Mr. Roddy Pringle's Crescent is now in the greatest demand among the speculators for the Queen's Plate.

Marauder, Shamrock, Stone Mason and Felix of the Seagram string are entered for the Carslake Handicap.

The entries for the Carslake Handicap, Dominion Handicap and Street Railway Chase closed yesterday and are reported fairly well filled.

Mr. J. E. Seagram's Waterloo will scarcely start in the Queen's Plate. The son of Strachino and Fanny Webster has been troubled with lung fever all winter and Trainer Walker says he needs a year's rest.

Trainer Walker says that his string are all in tip-top shape with the exception of Waterloo. They take their exercise at present on the old Newmarket track but will soon start at the Woodbine. Mr. Walker is confident of making a good showing in May.

Eric is being talked about for the Brooklyn. G. B. Morris, who bought the son of Duke of Magenta for $4400 at the sale of A. J. Cassatt's horses last October, thinks he has a trump card in Eric and a sure trick if the going should be heavy on the Brooklyn day.

A horseman who inspected Spokane last week says the horse is in splendid condition, and to all appearances is as sound as a dollar. His legs are without blemish and no surface reason against his proving a great 4-year-old appears.

Good-Bye, Scoggan Bros.' Kentucky Derby candidate, developed a crevice in one of his upper teeth through which the food worked into his head, forming an abscess. The only remedy was to bore a hole through his jaw and through the aperture thus made force out the tooth. The operation was successful and the colt is now all right.—N. Y. Sporting World.

Of the 80 jockeys, so called, riding in the United States it is doubtful if five could be correctly charged with "fixing" a race. They are not the ones who originate jobs. That felicitous occupation is the owner's or trainer's and the bookmakers'. The jockey is usually an accessory before the fact. Often he is the innocent catspaw of a villainous trickster, appearing dishonest while striving his hardest to ride straight. It is almost impossible for a jockey to keep himself above suspicion, his associates are so contaminating. The judges do right in ruling off a jockey for throwing a race, but such action seems neither cure nor prevention of fraud. They must strike deeper if they would reach the root of corruption. Racing is going to the dogs. It is doubtful if public opinion will long sustain the turf unless it is treated at a very early day to a few examples of reform.—New York Tribune.

At "Headquarters."

Mr. Fred Mossop is now fully installed at "Headquarters" and has gone to a good deal of trouble and expense in making it comfortable for his friends and patrons. "Headquarters," as its name indicates, will always be a popular Toronto resort. 246

California Pugilistic News.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—Young Mitchell and George La Blanche have been matched by the California Athletic Club for a purse of $3000, the loser to receive $500 and the fight to take place June 27.

The Occidental Club has matched Jack Davis of Omaha and Joe Choynski to fight in May for a purse of $1750.

Reddy Gallagher of Cleveland will arrive next week to fight Billy McCarthy May 22.

Jack Dempsey left suddenly yesterday for Portland. He expects an heir.

The Jackson-Sullivan contest will be considered at an open meeting of the California Athletic Club on the night of the Carroll-Smith fight, April 22. The sanction of the entire club must be had to raise the purse from $15,000 to $20,000. Jackson is expected to arrive here April 16.

Madden's combination—Joe and Jack McAuliffe—showed at San Jose last night and proceeded east.

The date of the Turner-Kelleher fight at the Golden Gate Club has been advanced to April 16.

THE MONTREAL LACROSSE CLUB.

Annual Meeting Last Night—Will Continue the League System of Games.

MONTREAL, April 2.—The annual meeting of the Montreal Lacrosse Club was held this evening at the M.A.A.A. club house. The treasurer's statement and the secretary's report were submitted, the officers elected for the year and delegates appointed for the annual convention. The statement of the treasurer shows the receipts to be as follows:

Subscriptions $68, gate receipts $6376.98, minor subscriptions $116.70, total receipts $6603.68; disbursements, match expenses $1182.65, general expenses $543.77, printing and advertising $202.36; total $1978.77, leaving a credit balance of $4714.91.

The secretary's report shows that during the past season they played eight championship matches, winning seven. In these matches there were 48 games, the Montreals taking 29. The report recommends the continuation of the league system with a few minor details. The membership numbers 1010. The following officers were elected:

President, F. E. Nelson; first vice-president, T. L. Paton; second vice-president, F. M. Larmont; secretary, W. Geraghty; committee, T. Carlind, E. Sheperd, E. H. Brown, A. Cameron, J. Michaud, J. Findlay, A. E. McNaughton.

The Lacrosse Meeting To-night.

The annual meeting of the Toronto Lacrosse Club takes place this evening at Webb's for the election of officers. Besides, matters of great importance to the members will be discussed at the meeting, and the committee would like to have a good attendance. During the taking of the ballots several members of the club will give songs and selections. A joint meeting of the special committees of the grounds company and lacrosse club was held recently at which an amicable settlement was arrived at whereby Rosedale is given to the lacrossists for another year on the former favorable terms.

The Toronto Football Association.

The Toronto Football Association meets to-night in Keachie's Hotel at 8 o'clock. All clubs now in the association, and any wishing to join, will please have their representatives on hand.

Spots of Sport.

John L. Sullivan and James J. Corbett of San Francisco will have a four-round set-to at an early date.

It is now definitely announced that Lord Dunraven will send the Valkyrie across the ocean to compete for the America cup.

Jack Dempsey left San Francisco for Portland quite unexpectedly on Saturday. It is thought he will come on east shortly.

The Montreal Athletic Association has organised a cricket club. The cricketers will be allowed two crease, one for matches and one for practice.

Gus Lambert says that he has made arrangements to go to New Orleans and fight P. J. Griffin of Philadelphia at the Audubon Athletic Club for a $1000 purse.

The Toronto Gun Club hold their annual match, President v. Vice-President, to-day at the Woodbine. Their annual dinner takes place in their club rooms this evening.

A cablegram to The Police Gazette Tuesday stated that Bill Baxter won his fight with Fred Johnston at the Pelican Club in six rounds on a foul. Baxter would have won in all probability even if his claim of foul had not been allowed.

The regular monthly meeting of the Wanderers' Bicycle Club will be held this evening, at which some very important business will be discussed. The outing of the club on Good Friday morning at 10½ o'clock promises to be largely attended and a good time is ensured.

The Montreal Amateur Athletic Association has engaged a professional trainer, Mr. J. Stevenson, whose duties will commence on May 1, and there is already a good deal of enthusiasm among the boys, and the association will be heard from at the championships this year.

Latest advices from Australia are that Duncan C. Ross has challenged McHardy, who recently made a world's record at the weights, to an all-round competition. Samuels, the aboriginal sprinter who retired recently in Australia, will soon come to America.

Jack Dempsey says of the McAuliffe-Carroll fight that Jack McAuliffe won with ease, although a great many people in Frisco say it was the battle of his life and all such rot as that. Carroll, I must say, made a good fight, but Jack's superior generalship tells the tale. He fooled them all.

A Trip to Manitoba.

Last year I went to Manitoba on the C.P.R. At Rat Portage I got sick, and at Winnipeg I was so weak I had to be assisted off the train. I got a bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters and after the first dose felt better. When I got to Boissevain I was as well as ever. The Bitters cure the bad effects of the surface water of the prairies.
DONALD MUNRO, Balsover, Ont.

From the Fraternities.

I.O.L. No. 412 had three candidates for initiation last night.

I.O.L. No. 142 held its regular weekly meeting last night at Victoria Hall. Two candidates presented themselves for initiation.

The regular meeting of Court Hope of Canada, 5604, A.O.F., was held last night. There were four initiations and three propositions.

At the weekly meeting of the Marine Engineers' Association held last night at Shaftesbury Hall, Vice-President Baird presided. The bylaws of the association were revised and a large amount of routine business transacted.

Beaver L.O.L. No. 911 met in Prospect Park Hall, W. Bro. Kinnersley in the chair. One proposition was received. A degree meeting was held, when one brother was advanced to the purple and two to the Royal Arch Purple. W. Past District Masters Poole and Gibbons were present.

Wilton Lodge No. 242, I.O.O.F., held its annual at home in commemoration of the sixth anniversary of the dedication of the lodge. Bro. J. Richards, P.G., occupied the chair. The earlier part of the evening was devoted to parlor games, etc. This was followed by a musical and literary entertainment. Refreshments were served during the evening.

At Lodge Middlesex No. 2, S.O.E.B.S., the auditors' report showed there had been paid since Jan. 1 for sick dues and assistance to sick $574; for gifts to members, $360; for other expenses, funeral department, working expenses, $414; deposit in bank, $118; invested funds $4863. The lodge decided to take part in the church parade of the St. George's Society.

The annual meeting of Court Davis No. 187, C.O.F., was held last night in Shaftesbury Hall, when these officers were elected: Chief ranger, S. R. Heakes; vice C.R., A. M. Watts; recording secretary, Thomas Forwood; financial secretary, E. J. Humphrey; treasurer, Thomas Roden; chaplain, E. J. Ewins; S.W., A. Reddock; J.W., J. Slade; S.B., A. P. Rundle; J.B., J. Beck; physicians, Drs. Allen and Martin.

The next lecture under the auspices of Kent Lodge No. 3, S.O.E.B.S., will be given by Bro. F. Darlow Cumberland on April 14 on "The Union Jack." A large number of visiting brethren have signified their intention of being present. Lodges Chesterfield, Albion, Hull and Preston have already announced official visits and the Grand Executive will be represented. This will be the most interesting meeting of the year and will be taken advantage of by the members of this national order.

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THE FIGHTING COMMITTEE.

Ald. Vokes Chosen Chairman of the Street Railway Franchise.

The reorganised special committee of the City Council appointed to deal with the Toronto Street Railway franchise met yesterday afternoon to appoint a chairman. There were present Ald. Carlyle (St. And.), Carlyle (St. Thos.), Gibbs, Vokes, Boustead, Shaw, Dodds, Booth, Leslie, Hallam. There were these candidates for the coveted honor:

Ald. Carlyle (St. And.).	Ald. Vokes.
Ald. Booth.	Ald. Dodds.
Ald. Hallam.	

Ald. Carlyle and Ald. Dodds both requested to have their names withdrawn and the committee consented. Ald. Booth followed suit, thus leaving the fight between Ald. Hallam and Vokes.

Ald. Hallam's name was first put to the meeting. He only got three votes and the motion nominating him was declared lost. Ald. Vokes was then voted into the chair by four to three, Ald. Shaw and several others not voting.

Ald. Hallam said he had heard that day that the Street Railway Bill had been altered, so that the question of the city assuming the charter of the company be submitted to the property owners only and not the general citizens as originally provided for. He was anxious to know by whose authority the change had been made.

Ald. Boustead explained that the Board of Trade had expressed itself as hostile to the privilege of voting in this matter being extended to the general ratepayer, particularly as it was the property owner who would have to pay for the increased debt of the city if the bylaw carried. So far as he knew the matter had not been settled.

A committee, composed of the Mayor, Ald. Hallam, Shaw and Boustead, was instructed to get up all necessary information on the subject.

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The Central Press Wins.

At the Civil Assize Court yesterday a verdict was returned for the plaintiff in the libel suit brought by the Central Press Agency of Toronto against the American Press Association. The action arose out of a libelous letter written by the defendants to the editor of The Port Hope Times, which letter seriously reflected upon the business methods of the plaintiffs. The defendants, in addition to paying all costs, were required to file an apology in court.

Judgment was given for the plaintiff in the action of Cameron v. Kennedy. The action was brought on account of trespass on the lands of the plaintiff, who owns property in Grey county. He sued for $500.

To-day's list: Lawson v. Scott, Stillivay v. Toronto, Parlow v. Graham, Millar v. Grand Trunk Railway Company.

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