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BOWLING LEAGUE FIGURES TO DATE.

Standing of Teams and Individuals and League Records.

St. Catharines Bowlers Defeated Here on Saturday Evening—Scores Made at the H. G. C. Traps.

The statistician of the Hamilton Bowling League has been at work and prepared tables showing the standing of the teams as well as the averages of the men who have 500 or over. Following is the standing of the teams:

Team	Won	Lost	Pins.
Gun Club	20	7	21,733
Steel Plant	17	7	19,279
Westinghouse	15	9	19,354
Hamilton II.	15	12	21,487
Brendas	13	11	18,184
Pratters	12	12	18,840
Tigers	12	15	20,900
Fernleigh	10	14	18,343
Internationals	6	18	17,716
Pick-Ups	3	18	14,804

The individual standing of the players is as follows:

Player	Games	Pins.	Aver.
Smith	24	4,265	177.1
Thomson, C.	24	4,205	175.2
Nelson	24	4,188	174.5
Fitzgerald	24	4,096	170.6
Thomson, W.	27	4,990	170.3
Cover	24	4,337	168.5
Mitchell	24	4,034	168.
Whitehead	9	1,511	167.3
Lane	21	3,519	167.6
McQuillan	24	4,014	167.2
Irvine	24	4,097	167.
Bolton	27	4,503	166.3

Following are league records to date:

- 1 string—Steel Plant, 949.
- 3 strings—Gun Club, 2,631.
- Individual—
- 1 string—McQuillan, 253.
- 3 strings—Sinopon, 644.

Following is the revised schedule for the balance of the month:

- April—Fernleigh vs. Gun Club; Hamilton II. vs. Steel Plant.
- April 8—Printers vs. Westinghouse; Internationals vs. Pick Ups.
- April 10—Brendas vs. Westinghouse; Internationals vs. Steel Plant; Brandas vs. Pick Ups.
- April 15—Hamilton II. vs. Gun Club; Fernleigh vs. Tigers.
- April 17—Printers vs. Westinghouse; Internationals vs. Pick Ups.
- April 21—Brendas vs. Westinghouse; Internationals vs. Brendas.
- April 22—Printers vs. Pick Up; Hamilton II. vs. Tigers.
- April 28—Hamilton II. vs. Westinghouse; Fernleigh vs. Pick Ups.
- April 29—Tigers vs. Gun Club.

ST. KITTS DEFEATED HERE.

Two teams of the St. Catharines bowling club visited the city of St. Kitts on Saturday evening and played a friendly game with the Steel Plant Club. The visitors were defeated winning only one game out of the six played and losing by a total of 223. McQuillan was the star of the night, rolling a score of 613. The scores were:

Team	W. Park	McQuillan	G. Thomson	Kinsvater	Pratt
Steel Plant	167	182	181	150	130
St. Kitts	184	183	167	154	147
St. Kitts	208	183	173	166	147
St. Kitts	921	943	865	2729	

W. Park 167 182 181—530
McQuillan 184 183 167—534
G. Thomson 147 187 152—486
Kinsvater 208 183 173—466
Pratt 921 943 865 2729

OVER 100,000 AT FOOTBALL MATCH.

Glasgow, April 5.—One hundred and twenty thousand persons attended the football match between England and Scotland here on Saturday. A mob of 40,000 broke into the enclosure and 400 persons were injured by the crush. During the progress of the game stones

and bottles were thrown by angry spectators in the rear. Three of the injured were taken to the hospital. The game resulted in a tie, one goal each.

WINDSOR WON IT.

Toronto Garrison Nine Defeated by Score of 35 to 21.

Windsor, April 6.—The indoor baseball championship of Canada was decided here on Saturday night, when the 21st Regiment defeated the Queen's Own Rifles by the decisive score of 35 to 21. A crowd of 500 witnessed the contest, which was a snappy exhibition throughout. The feature of the game was a long drawn-out nature of the battle, the Queen's Own Rifles. Young's arm

rather bears a hot liner coming toward her "humming," she lets it hum. The base stealing is also a little slow as yet. There is a disposition not to shatter any of the commandments, and even a base is believed to come within the things that should not be stolen. Slides, or, as they should be called more properly, "spills," are of frequent occurrence, for skirts will get in the way. Some of the young women who are a year or two will be society belles, are beginning to learn that it is too late to hit at a ball after it has passed the plate, and once in a while a two or three-bagger goes on its way to the re-joining of the batter. A great deal depends upon the luck of the felder in throwing the ball.

There is plenty of enthusiasm and rooting. If the dull roar of the bleachers is missed, it is more pleasantly made up by the shrill trebles. The rooters are free with their criticism, and applaud loud and long when a good play is made. On the whole, the playing is rather better than one would expect. The fair players have acquired ease, grace and some accuracy from their acquaintance with other sports, and promise soon to play a better game than some of their brothers who are now scoffing at the idea of girls playing ball.

COMMENT AND GOSSIP

There should be a large attendance of athletes and supporters of clean sports at the meeting to be held in the Royal Hotel to-night to discuss the question of Hamilton's representation in the Olympic games in England next summer. Every man who is desirous of seeing a good team sent to compete in the games for the championship of the world is invited to attend.

B. defeating Hackenschmidt, Frank Gotch became the man of the hour with the wrestling fans.

I move that Hackenschmidt be treated like Gen. Steeles; that he be courted and flattered.

Regarding Congalton, the Guelph ball tosser, who played with the Hamiltons in 1898 and 1899, the St. Louis Sporting News says:

"Congalton's fielding, while not great, is always good, and that walloping of his is certainly a joy in a tight game." Congalton has been playing professional ball for 14 years.

Frank Gotch may join the Barnum & Bailey circus now—as a lion tamer.

Outfielder Jack Thoney, of last season's Toronto Eastern League Club, now with the Boston Americans, is faultily murdering the ball in the exhibition games played by the Beaneaters. Last week the Fort Thomas, Ky. flyer got three hits off the Little

About the Canadian Horse Show

In spite of the commercial and financial depression, the prices of the best class of horse have never been so high in Canada as at present. The show ring horses are held at higher prices than animals of the same class in the United States. This fact has a special interest in relation to the fourteenth Canadian Horse Show, which is to be held in the Toronto Arena on April 29, 30, May 1 and 2. The entries promise to be larger than at any previous show. All the leading exhibitors will be largely represented. Hon. Adam Beck, of London, has added no less than ten new hunters to the fine stable possessed by Mrs.

Gentle Spring Brings Baseball Poetry

"In the Spring a fuller crimson upon the Robin's breast;
In the Spring the wanton Lapping gets himself another crest;
In the Spring a livelier iris changes on the burnish'd dove;
In the Spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love"
—Alfred Tennyson.

In the Spring, with your permission, Alfred, we would faint relate
Many other things that happen to the lowly and the great—

In the Spring hope springs eternal in the wild fanatic's breast;
In the Spring he clamors madly that his ball club is the best;

In the Spring the pop-eyed Rooter rises from his seat and roars;
In the Spring the young fan's fancy turns to full box scores;

In the Spring the bush league phenom rolls in from some rural station;
In the Spring he blows up swiftly with a mighty detonation;

In the Spring the gent who battles "four-eighteen" with Kankakee,
Joins a big league camp in Dixie where he batteth "twenty-three";

In the Spring the sombre human, erstwhile calm and dignified,
Pounds his neighbor on the back-bone, yelling "Slide, you bone-head, slide."

In the Spring the usual crop of poor grandmothers dies away
As the office boy, elated, reads the sign, "Base Ball To-day."

In the Spring the gent will always thought so peaceful, kind and tame
Bellows "Kill the bloody umpire—he has robbed us of the game."
—Gatland Rice.

About Riley Grannan the Plunger

Riley Grannan, who died a day or two ago, won a fortune on the turf, and lost it all again. Beginning with nothing, he achieved spectacular success, and was taken up by Col. Applegate, the well-known western bookmaker, who supplied the capital that Grannan increased a hundredfold. In his heyday no figure was too large for his consideration.

When Henry of Navarre and Domino ran a match race at the Gravesend track in 1894 Grannan did some of the most phenomenal plunging ever seen. Mounting his box, he took off his coat and announced that he was going to bet his last dollar on Henry of Navarre. Then he chalked up a point better odds against Domino than was offered by anybody else in the ring, and invited the public to come on.

Mike Dwyer sent in \$10,000, which Grannan took; Ike Thompson handed over \$10,000 more; then came another \$10,000 from Mr. Dwyer, after which two \$5,000 bets were handed up by a commissioner said to represent Jas. R. Keene, owner of Domino. Thousands of dollars more in smaller bets came in,

but Grannan never winced, never once cut the price. In all he took in \$62,000, and that represented all that the people had to bet, for it was still fifteen minutes before the race when the young plunger took in his last bet.

The race resulted in a dead heat, and though Grannan had to pay half the face value of every ticket he issued, he won \$12,000 on the race after all.

Grannan's plunging operations got him into disfavor with the turf authorities in New York, and he was deterred from entering the track. He went to the races, and found that he had no such right, but that the clubs could keep him off if they wanted to. Some years after the edict was withdrawn, but Grannan was then a financial wreck.

It was said he would bet on how far a peanut would roll down a hill. When bridge was called to vote in the most of his time over the green baize, trying to get enough money to return to the top rung of the ladder at the tracks.

Several times he was "staked" by men who had faith in his luck, and hoped it would return, the lost regularly for all of them. When he had no such found, he had to depend on his own resources, but could never rally his lost fortunes.

ambition of his life. He now may be labelled with a ticket carrying him to the difficult corner, and three more off the slant dispenser at Memphis, Tenn., one of which took the outfielder to the Keystone sack. He has made a great impression upon his advent with the Bostonians. Looks like Manager McGuire has the American League star for 1908 in Thoney. He has been dubbed the "Bullet."

Gotch won the wrestling championship of the world without taking a fall. The vaunted Russian lion, the terrible, limb-twisting, bone-breaking hercules from the steam-heated, tiled-floored gymnasium of St. Petersburg University succumbed to the mauling and kneading of the farm-bred and home-trained young giant from the Iowa plains. The manner of winning was not the most satisfactory in the world, but it does not diminish the credit due the American. He used his brain as well as his strength and wrestling science.

Experts agree that the match was absolutely on the square. That it was devoid of spectacular features, is the best guarantee of this. A square match between two big men who are experts at the game is liable to be the sloppiest affair in the world. The match with the headspinning, breaking away from dangerous holds, slugs and blood spilling is the match most liable to be a "frame." Gotch won on his merits and has achieved

"HACK" WILLING TO HOOK UP AGAIN.

Aftermath of the Big Wrestling Match in Chicago.

Hamilton Military Indoor Baseball Teams Won at Toronto on Saturday Night.

Chicago, April 6.—George Hackenschmidt will meet Frank Gotch again, if suitable inducements are offered, but he will not consider such a plan for the time at last. This was admitted by the Russian yesterday, although he would not speak definitely of his plans.

So far as Gotch is concerned there will be no difficulty in getting a second bout.

"I'm going to give exhibitions at the theatre every night for several weeks, and he can meet me every night if he wants to," he said. "Of course I'll sign up with him again."

Gotch, who was strolling about his accustomed haunts yesterday, cheerful and unmarked, was in strong contrast to Hackenschmidt, who, battered and bruised, was in a state of depression very different from his former placid demeanor. After first stating that he thought he would give up the game altogether, he amended this by saying that he could not outline his programme exactly.

Delay in the starting of the bouts Friday night was partly caused by Gotch's objection to the moving picture machines. He said that he had been notified that they had been installed and insisted that he should have his percentage of the receipts therefrom. On account of the length of the bout, only the start and finish of the go are likely to be shown in the films.

Gotch said that he experienced some difficulty at first in getting his distance under the mercury lights. The weird color they gave to the skin and the uncanny glow of the long tubes giving out violet rays necessitated his being particularly careful at first, he said.

Gotch will start to-day on an extended theatrical tour which will occupy him until June. He then intends to return to his farm in Iowa until the fall, when he goes abroad. His manager, Jack Herman, is considering an offer for him to meet Joe Rogers in New York, June 4th. Gotch is smarting at the criticism of some New York writers, who have said that Joe Rogers would have easy work with Frank, and he is willing to meet Rogers in the heart of his own city.

Sporting men in general commented on the fashion in which the toe hold, Gotch's own invention, showed where skill was superior to strength. This was especially illustrated in the bout between Emil Stegemiller, Hack's burly wrestling partner, and Henry Ordeman, an opponent whom Stegemiller overweighed and over whom he seemed to possess a great advantage in strength.

It was only Hackenschmidt's tremendous strength that enabled him to break the first two grips Gotch fastened on him. For the first hour, the fashion in which Hackenschmidt showed his ability to slam his opponent around showed that his powers were not overrated.

Hackenschmidt mentioned this feature yesterday.

"I have always been able to get to close quarters with my opponents because," he said, "and although I was still strong when we had been in the ring nearly two hours I realized I could not then throw Gotch."

Sporting men in general praise Gotch's generosity in the affair, although the long drawn-out nature of the battle made it less interesting than a short, sharp struggle.

CHEROKEE INDIANS COMING.

To-day Manager Paige of the Hamilton Baseball Club, closed a contract with the manager of the famous Cherokee Indians baseball team for a night game here toward the end of May. The Indians carry an immense lighting plant, giving 50,000 candle power, and claim they can play as well at night as in the daytime.

Mr. Paige hopes to have his team, so far as outside players are concerned, signed up inside of ten days. He has signed six good men, and is negotiating now with two college men—one from the Georgetown U. S. law school, and one from the Ann Arbor College. The former is a second baseman and the latter a pitcher. He intends to play two or three of the best local men available.

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Convent Girls Play Baseball.

Now, here is a brand new one. Out on the suburbs of Baltimore, Md., there is a convent. It is naturally exclusive, and this particular convent—Notre Dame, by name—has always been noted as being very select, when it came to admitting young ladies for instruction. But for all that, baseball has been added to the curriculum, and the gentle maidens have taken up the game with great enthusiasm. Fingers may be sprained, and muscles (if girls have muscles) may be strained; arms may be "kinked" and toes may be stubbed, but exciting scenes go on daily on the campus. The serious-faced sisters, instead of frowning upon the sport, give it encouragement, and Sister Melitia, the directress, has laid in a large supply of balls, bats, masks and other paraphernalia for the use of the girls. Of course, the game is not yet quite up to the regulations as set down by either Spalding or Beach, and dainty hands have not yet acquired the art of stopping all the hard grounders that come their way. Indeed, there seems to be a marked tendency to "shirk" and to stop all the "burnt" child deers on the principle that a fair maiden sees or

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anxious to show their interest in the team, and he has decided to issue a limited number—50. No more than 50 season tickets will be issued, and the price will be \$10. As there are 64 league games scheduled for this city and as about 16 exhibition games will be played, the price for the pastebords is very low. As Mr. Paige will be under a big expense in fitting up the grounds the tickets are being put out now on the principle that "every little bit helps."

The general manager of the club is now located at 126 Main street west, and all communications for him should be sent to that address.

IN THE SOUTH.

Toronto Defeated Norfolk by Score of 12 to 1.

Norfolk, Va., April 6.—Manager Kelly tried three pitchers in the game here on Saturday—Blatchford, Mitchell and McGinley. The game was smart and comparatively free from errors, but the champions having occasion to extend themselves. Hits were pretty well distributed. The team is getting into fine shape, and will not disappoint the home fans when they get to Toronto. The score:

Norfolk 051010054—16
Toronto 101012410—10

The 91st Sergeants were the guests of the Governor-General's Body Guard, and they played a game also. The score was a big one and in favor of the 91st, the Klitties gathering everything to themselves. After the game came a big social time, and everybody had the time of their lives.

NIAGARA LEAGUE.

A Niagara Baseball League was organized in St. Catharines last week. The meeting was held in the Y. M. C. A., and representatives were present from Merritt, Port Dalhousie and three city teams—Y. M. C. A., Lyceum and Parks. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Wm. Rapsey; Vice-President, C. F. Grace; Secretary-Treasurer, H. Maguire. A strong effort will be made to have the diamond at Montebello Park restored to the use of local fans, and a good season is anticipated.

SOME SATURDAY SCORES.

At Memphis—Chicago (National), 9; Memphis (Southern), 1.

At New Orleans—Cleveland (American), 9; New Orleans (Southern), 2.

At Princeton—Princeton 2, Bowdoin 5.

At Bethlehem, Pa.—University of Vermont, 4; Lehigh, 1.

At Carlisle, Pa.—Dickinson, 5; Western Maryland, 3.

At Carlisle, Pa.—Carlisle Indians, 16; Franklin and Marshall, 2.

At Atlanta—New York (American), 6; Atlanta (Southern), 5.

At Birmingham—Birmingham (Southern), 5; Brooklyn (National), 4.

At Lynchburg—Boston (National), 6; Lynchburg (State), 0.

At Danville, Va.—Danville (State), 3; Buffalo (Eastern), 6.

At Washington—Georgetown, 4; Cornell, 3.

At Philadelphia—Pennsylvania University, 8; New York College, 0.

At New York—Yale, 1; Fordham College, 4.

REDUCED RATES FOR EASTER.

On account of Easter the Grand Trunk Railway System will issue return tickets at single first class fare between all stations in Canada also to Detroit and Port Huron, Mich., Buffalo, Niagara Falls and Suspension Bridge, N. Y. Tickets good going April 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th. Valid returning on or before April 21st, 1908. Secure tickets from any Grand Trunk Ticket Agent.

WOODEN COLLAR BUTTONS
Produced in Enormous Numbers for Special Uses.
Collar buttons are made not only of various metals, but also in great numbers of wood, says the New York Sun. Round sticks of wood are fed into machines which turn the buttons and cut them off automatically. Taken from the turning machines the collar buttons thus made are placed, thousands of them at one, in a barrel shaped receptacle containing japan varnish, in which they are rolled and tumbled until each is completely coated.
To be dried they are placed, tumbled at a time, in a similar drying apparatus in which they are rolled and tumbled again, to keep them from sticking together, until they are the finished buttons, which have never been touched by hand.
Wooden collar buttons are sold to the trade by the great gross, but they are not counted out in such numbers, for even machine counting would take some time and cost money, so the weight of a great gross being known, discovered by actual counting and weighing, they weigh out the buttons for packing, such and such a weight of them making a great gross. In this way they practically count out 1,728 buttons at a time, that number being in the trade the wooden collar button unit.
pox in Toronto.
The dismissal of Magistrate Woodcock, of Newmarket, has been recommended to the Attorney-General.
Mrs. Max Finberg, wife of a jeweler at 285 Yonge street, Toronto, was beaten over the head with a revolver by a daylight robber. Her screams drove him away.
Chatham will use gas instead of coal to run the waterworks plant.