

## SOUTHPAW SNAPSHOTS AT VARIOUS SPORTS

There was to have been a meeting of the east end baseball moguls last night, but owing to the fact that President Fitzgerald was out of town there was nothing doing. All arrangements have been made for the use of the Queen's Park diamond Saturday afternoon and five evenings a week. "Tots" Jeffries says that London baseball is good enough for him at present, and the local fans are hoping that he means what he says. Local rod artists must needs get busy if they would have any bass this spring. The season closes on the 15th of this month.

The meeting of the London Rowing Club, which was to have been held last night, has been adjourned for one week, when several important matters of interest to local oarsmen will be discussed.

The Toronto scribes think pretty well of this season's team—so far. The News correspondent at Cumberland, Md., where the team will train, sends forth the following line of dope on the new players signed up:

Pitcher Marvin D. Bridges is the giant of the newcomers. He is 6 feet 2 inches tall and weighs 212 pounds, having taken off 13 pounds the last week in road work. He is a college twirler with two years' experience in professional ball.

Pitcher E. Moffit, of South Bend, is a sturdy chap and had a good record in the Central League last year.

First Baseman Connors is likely looking and is eager for the fray. He is about the build of Kelley, who will give him a thorough trial at the initial corner.

Two young catchers reported, "Doc" Millman, who used to be with Cumberland, and M. H. Bailey, who also hails from this league. They are ambitious youngsters, and expect to make good.

Faultner is the young player Mitchell brought along for a trial. He is an infielder.

Rudolph is the crack Fordham College twirler. He is of slight build and boyish in appearance, but has a great record in college baseball.

Weep, Canadian, weep. Never again shall we have an opportunity of witnessing the agile Noah Brusso either on the vaudeville stage or on a lacrosse field. Oh, it is said, "Never, no never," says Thomas, "shall I adorn the fair Dominion with my Apollo-like figure. Nay, like wise, n't. 'I am for the golden west,' says Mr. Brusso, 'first, last and plenty. I would not live east of the Rocky Mountains for a controlling interest in the Standard Oil Company, and I am not a native son, either. I now advertise myself as Tommy Burns, of Los Angeles, and that goes.'"

Au revoir, St. Thomas. Ta ta!

Two long shots took first money at Bennings yesterday, and, of course, nobody was down on them. Rocket, winner of the steeplechase, was quoted at 25 to 1, while Jupiter, at 12 to 1, romped home an easy victor in the third event. Here's guessing there are a lot of soreheads about Washington today.

For a bout of such prominence, the Burns-O'Brien set-to, scheduled for Los Angeles in early May, is receiving very little notice. O'Brien is said to have been too busy trying to corral Jack Palmer, the British lemming, to bother about hard game like Burns, and the latter has been so active in keeping tabs on the Quaker that he had no time to worry about the coming match. At all events, the contest will be a poor betting proposition, and the wise sport will keep his cash in his jeans.

Tonight in Philadelphia another English boxer will be made or unmade, when Spike Robson meets Abe Attell, champion of the featherweights, in a six-round argument. Robson, unlike Palmer, has made an excellent showing up to date, but he is up against the hardest proposition of his ring career when he meets the clever little Hebrew.

The Boston National League team have completed their spring training and will now rusticate in the vicinity of "Beantown" until the opening gong rings. The "Bean-Chewers" are trying to land a couple of the Cubs' surplus outfielders, and it looks as though they would succeed.

Bill Armour, who will manage the Toledo team of the American Association this season, and who formerly had charge at Cleveland and Detroit, is one of the most superstitious men in baseball. It is a known fact that every baseball manager has his superstitions, but Armour has a million, more or less.

It is customary on every American League grounds to have a broom or duster for the umpire's use, to keep the home plate clean. Around the broom or duster hinges one of Armour's strongest superstitions. Generally the umpire throws the broom or duster to the left of the plate, but Armour insists that it be to the right of the plate.

At the beginning of each game Armour will request the umpire to keep the broom to the right of the plate. With a broom to the left, Armour wouldn't give a pinch of snuff for his chances to win. The umpires always carry out Armour's request on this score, as none of the other managers has a like hobby. The players, however, are all wise to the stunt, and they kept the umpire and Manager Armour busy during his career in the American League by shifting the broom whenever they had a chance. One day "Silk" O'Loughlin had to threaten several New York players with banishment from the game if they didn't allow the broom to remain where he placed it.

The Detroit ball players were just about as superstitious as their manager. That's nothing unusual, however, as all ball players are superstitious. The following story illustrates the fact well, indeed:

When in Philadelphia the Detroit team always stops at the old Continental Hotel. One day last summer, just before the players left for the park, a fellow who looked like a tramp, but who talked as if he had seen better days, dropped into the hotel and inquired for Manager Armour. The Detroit team had been in a losing rut for some time, and when the ragged looking chap informed Armour that he was a mascot and wanted to see the game he was immediately signed. He was placed in the bus with the players and escorted to the park. Detroit won the game. The mascot was taken to Detroit with the team, and the Tigers won eight more before they lost a game, it being to Cleveland in the last series on the Cleveland grounds.

The Detroit took the mascot to St. Louis, where he was all rigged out in a new suit of clothes and taken to Chicago to see the world's series. Detroit finished the season in Chicago on a Sunday, defeating the White Sox, and the tramp picked up in Philly occupied one of the boxes. The way the team worked the railway company was an interesting stunt. The tramp would always board the special sleeper just as if he was one of the players. He would then be seated in an upper berth. After the tickets had been presented to the conductor and the men counted the rest was easy for the knight of the road, as Charley O'Leary and Dutch Schaffer used to double up so the tourist could have a berth to himself.

The Toronto News says:

Joe Kelley has secured a new catcher, a young chap named McMullan, who played against Baile, the other Toronto recruit, in the O. and P. League last year. The manager writes President McCaffery that McMullan is touted as a good man, better all round in fact than Baile. He is willing to go to Cumberland for a week's trial. He will report Monday with the rest of the team.

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If it were possible to inherit salvation a lot of sinners would stand a much better chance of heaven. Time may heal a broken heart, but another girl will hasten the process along.

## TWO MORE GAMES FOR THE ANGELS

Arthurs' Bowlers Administer Double Defeat to Willson's Mites.

There was a big crowd at the Liberal Club bowling alleys last night, when Arthurs' Angels added two more games to their list by taking a pair from Willson's Mites. The first game was the Angels' all the way, but they had to step some to puffer the second, Captain Arthurs himself pulling the bunch out.

Young was in good form in the first game, rolling 194 in good style. Garnet Arthurs did the best average bowling, getting an average of 160 2/3 for the two games. Finchamp and McCormick did the best bowling for the losers.

The scores:

ARTHURS' ANGELS.	
Young .....	194
Clark .....	154
Black .....	117
Dickinson .....	187
Arthurs .....	148
Totals .....	718

MILLSON'S MITES.	
Finchamp .....	139
McCormick .....	141
Bradshaw .....	124
Mason .....	94
Millson .....	142
Totals .....	640

## MEMPHIS GOLD CUP CASE IN COURT

New York, April 2.—Millard Sanders, former trainer of Lou Dillon, was the first witness called today in the trial of the suit brought by the Memphis Trotting Association to recover the gold cup won by E. E. Smathers' horse Major Delmar.

It was testified yesterday that George W. Spear, a former trainer for Mr. Smathers, negotiated with Ed Sanders to have Lou Dillon put in such condition that he could not win the race. Today Millard Sanders testified that he saw his brother Edward and Smathers talking together at the Lexington, Ky. race track, about ten days before the race at Memphis. Sanders said he overheard Smathers tell Ed Sanders that he could "beat the mare on the square."

Millard Sanders said that his brother told him that they could get \$5,000 for making Lou Dillon lose the race.

On cross-examination Sanders said that Lou Dillon had raced only twice prior to the Memphis race, and that a recent race at Lexington, where he failed in an attempt to beat Maud S.'s record of 2:03 1/2. He denied, however, that she practically collapsed on the track, and said that her failure to better the record was due to the fact that she was "off edge."

Sanders' examination was long and searching, and at its conclusion the court adjourned until tomorrow.

## LACROSSE.

ALERTS ARE STRONG. St. Marys, April 2.—The St. Marys Alerts have organized for the season and the prospects for a championship team for St. Marys are very bright. Although several of last year's players have left town, there is still plenty of material left to fill the vacancy and land a junior championship.

## CURLING.

LATE CURLING AT WOODSTOCK. Woodstock, April 2.—Woodstock captured the record for having the latest ice curling, beating even Lindsay, which claimed the record last week. The local curlers wound up the season with a game last night and the ice was in excellent condition for having the game. President Alex. Gardiner presented the winners of the Joe Boyle trophy with the cup won by them. The winning team is comprised of Harry McIntosh, Peter Johnson, Arthur Stone and W. S. Hastings. The winners and runners-up were presented with souvenirs in the shape of miniature stones to be used as watch-charms.

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## BASEBALL.

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## HONORS DIVIDED AT BENNING TRACK

Three Outsiders Landed the Money Yesterday—Two Favorites Winners.

Washington, April 2.—Three outsiders, two favorites and a second choice divided the honors in the six events today at Bennings. Two of the winners, Rocket, in the steeplechase, at 25 to 1, and Jupiter, in the third race, at 12 to 1, practically were neglected, while the favorites, Lysistrata and Workman, were played heavily. Oxford, a slight favorite over Okenite, in the handicap at 5 furlongs, went to the front in the first furlong, but Okenite came fast in the stretch and won handily.

August Belmont's Queen's Souvenir and Lady Isabel made a beautiful race and swept under the wire with the Queen's nose just showing in front. In the third, Marksman, a favorite, was left at the post, and finished third. In the jumping event Rocket made all the running and won by two lengths, eased up, from the favorite, Lysistrata. McInerney's ride on the favorite is being investigated by the stewards. Weather cold. Attendance large. Track fast.

Summary:

First race, handicap, for 3-year-olds, and up, 5 furlongs—Okenite, 113 (J. Johnson), 5 to 1; Oxford, 128 (Mountain), 12 to 1; Bowling Bridge, 107 (Noone), 9 to 5; 2; Marksman, 107 (Radtke), 9 to 5; 3. Time, 1:24 4-5. Old Guard, Lone Hand, Brekman, Hampton Lady and Bob Edgren also ran.

Second race, steeplechase, for maidens, 4-year-olds and up, about two miles—Rocket, 137 (Wilson), 25 to 1; 1; Lysistrata, 147 (McInerney), 7 to 10; 2; Judge White, 137 (Duke), 13 to 5; 3. Time, 4:13. Life Buoy and Mooville also ran.

Third race, 4-year-olds and up, 1 mile—Warning, 196 (Libert), 6 to 1; 1; Turbulence, 89 (Goldstein), 13 to 10; 2; Nellie Racine, 87 (Englander), 12 to 5; 3. Time, 1:43 4-5. Town Topics and Oakland also ran.

Fourth race, 3-year-olds and up, 1 mile—Warning, 196 (Libert), 6 to 1; 1; Turbulence, 89 (Goldstein), 13 to 10; 2; Nellie Racine, 87 (Englander), 12 to 5; 3. Time, 1:43 4-5. Town Topics and Oakland also ran.

Fifth race, 3-year-olds and up, 1 mile—Warning, 196 (Libert), 6 to 1; 1; Turbulence, 89 (Goldstein), 13 to 10; 2; Nellie Racine, 87 (Englander), 12 to 5; 3. Time, 1:43 4-5. Town Topics and Oakland also ran.

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## STILL KNOCKING OLYMPIC GAMES

Yankee Yarn That Committee Offends Three Countries by Its Actions.

New York, April 1.—American college and club athletes are greatly interested in the troubles of the English committee in charge of the 1908 Olympic games in having with the Scotch, Irish and French athletes. At the present writing the French association has withdrawn its support entirely and refused to send a team to the games. The Scotch and Irish have not gone to this length in their opposition to the rulings of the committee, but they have intimated that they will unless their demands are complied with. The only excuse the French have to offer is that the English committee failed to be considerate enough to Baron Couberlin, of Paris, who is a sort of honorary president to the Olympic games committee. The French association has taken the slight of their chief very much to heart and in true Parisian fashion decline to be represented at London in July, 1908.

The troubles of the Scotch and Irish spring from an entirely different source. When the plans for the coming meet were announced the English committee stated that England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales would compose the British team. This meant that none of these countries could be represented by individual teams as they had fondly hoped. Ireland and Scotland, who have associations of their own, though affiliated with the English A. A., naturally objected to playing Scotch fiddle to the English, and the Scotchmen even went so far as to announce that unless the ruling was changed they would refuse to send a team to the meet. The Irish talked in the same strain and threatened similar action.

It is hardly believed that the English will be foolish enough to permit this arbitrary course to keep Ireland and Scotland away from the meet, for this would deprive the British team of fully one-half its strength and would make its defeat by America doubly certain. It will make very little difference to anybody whether France sends a team, for the Frenchmen would have very little chance to win many points which are being fought for by the American and English athletes. The Englishmen are beginning to show a great deal of concern over the strength of the team the United States will send abroad. The development of track and field athletes in this country has gone ahead with tremendous strides of late years, and England can no longer boast of supremacy in anything but the longer distance runs. But even in these events American victories are becoming more and more common.

In the last few years this country has developed a number of sterling distance runners who will at least have an even chance with the Britons. Among these are Lightbody, of the University of Chicago, who beat the British champion in the 1,500 meters at Athens last year; Melvin Sheppard, who has been breaking records right and left from 800 yards up to a mile. To say nothing of such men as Bonhag and Nebrich.

## THE TURF.

### WINNER WAS DISQUALIFIED.

New Orleans, April 2.—After the horses cleared the last turn in the short course steeplechase at City Park today, Kara, the favorite was fouled by Eastern Joy, who finished first but was disqualified, and the race was given to Kara. The winners: Bazil II to 2, Kara 2 to 1, Bitter Sir 6 to 1, Grenade 10 to 1, Idler 4 to 1, Brilliant 5 to 2, Prince Brutus 12 to 1.

### THE RING.