

# LATE SPORTING NEWS AND VIEWS

## ONLY TWO PLAYERS TO REPEAT

There were only two players in the National League who hit in the 300 class last season and repeated this year. They were Jake Daubert of the Pirates, and both improved their marks. Last season Daubert hit for .301 and this year his average is .323. Hinchman batted for .307 a year ago and season boosted his mark to .315. Larry Doyle and Fred Luderus, who fought it out for the batting honors last season, both fell down in their hitting this year. The former Giant captain walked the ball for .274 this season as compared with .250 last year, while Luderus, who hit for .316 in helping the Phillies to win the pennant, went down to .284 this season. Griffith of Cincinnati, whose average last season was .307, hit for .266 this year.

The new men in the select class this season include Hal Chase, with .335, Holke of New York with .365, and McCarty of New York with .343, both of whom played in less than 100 games; Wheat of Brooklyn with .312, Robertson of the Giants with .308 and Hornsby of the Cardinals with the same figure as Robertson.

The unofficial figures of the American League find practically the same leaders as in previous years. Cobb, Speaker, Jackson and Eddie Collins are the players in the 300 class this season who have been in the select circle ever since they became regulars in the American League. Of this quartet Speaker and Jackson are the only ones who have improved over their marks of a year ago. Speaker hit for .322 last year, while this season he leads the American League with an average of between .385 and .390. Cobb with .365 this season is five points below last year's figures, while Joe Jackson, who hit for .308 last year, is up to .341 this season. Eddie Collins came through a year ago with a mark of .332, while this season he dropped to .314. Men who climbed into the 300 class this season are Strunk of the Athletics, Gardner of the Red Sox, Felsch of the White Sox and Vesoh of the Tigers. Rice of the Senators in 59 games hit for .315.

One of the disappointments of the usual 300 hitters in the American was Stuffy McInnes of the Athletics. For six consecutive seasons McInnes was in the 300 class, and being a native New Yorker, it was thought he was the best man in the big show to go after Hans Wagner's mark of 17 straight seasons because McInnes is the youngest player in the major leagues with six seasons of 300 hitting. But Stuffy apparently did not feel the same this season with all his old-time mates gone, and for a good portion of the season was hitting close to the 200 mark. During the latter part of the campaign he picked up and boosted his average to .285.

### Four Arrests.

The police made four arrests yesterday and each prisoner is charged with drunkenness.

## RACER IS EASILY BROKEN

In discussing the superior qualities of thoroughbreds as hunters and jumpers at the recent races at Piping Rock, Thomas Hitchcock, a member of that club and an amateur horseman who has developed more high-class steeplechasers and hunters than probably any other man in the country, had this to say on the subject to a reporter of the New York Times: "There is no horse in the world that is comparable to the thoroughbred as a hunter, or as a matter of fact, for almost any purpose. You will find men decrying him as being too 'hot' to give satisfaction when put to any other task than racing. There never was a greater mistake. Persons who talk in that fashion have never had anything to do with the higher type of thoroughbred, and their experience has come from contact with culls which have been discarded because of their shortcomings."

"As a matter of fact," continued Mr. Hitchcock, "the thoroughbred is not as hot as the half-bred, if the same animals are subject to equal tests. Put a half-bred horse in training and ask as much of him as you do of the thoroughbred, and the result will be surprising. The half-bred would not stand the acid test of racing and come through with a perfect disposition. The thoroughbred has been bred for 150 years, and the culls during that time have been eliminated."

"I have had twenty-five years experience with thoroughbreds, and during that period I have experimented with them widely. My twelve-year-old son has ridden them in the hunting field on Long Island, and another of my children, only 8 years of age, has ridden them in the show ring. They are more easily broken to harness than any other horse in the world, and, illustrating this, let me tell you something I saw S. T. Harrison do at Lexington, when the thoroughbred market was at its lowest ebb some years ago. He bought a lot of young stallions, mares, and geldings, from 3 to 5 years of age, and turned them all into a big paddock. They agreed famously, and it was not three weeks till those that were old enough were broken to harness and being sold all over the country."

"The half-bred horse is fine, too," continued Mr. Hitchcock, "and we have to bring him in the grade in order to secure an average of size, just as in Ireland they went to the cart horse to secure a larger hunter type, but the thoroughbred, when you get him large enough, meets all these requirements."

### ONE-TIME CHAMPION.

Arion, one-time champion trotter of the world, has been given to Lister Winterspoon, of Versailles, Ky., by holders of the estate of the late M. W. Savage. At one time Arion, now twenty-seven years old, was sold for \$125,000. As a two-year-old Arion trotted to the high sulky in 2:10 2-5, which still stands as a record. Minor Hefr, another famous horse of the Savage stables, has been sold to W. C. Crawford, of Williston, Tenn.

## FAMOUS ATHLETES WHO WILL APPEAR MONDAY

All arrangements have been completed for the 180th Battalion entertainment which is to be held in the Imperial Monday night, after the conclusion of the second show.

Captain Thomas Flanagan, the promoter of the show, told The Standard last night that in listing the sporting celebrities in the ranks of the battalion he had omitted the famous Charlie Glover, the Herculean giant. Glover appeared before thousands, as the strongest man in the world, with the Barnum and Bailey four ring circus, and his feats of strength were looked upon as marvelous. He will probably appear on Monday night at the Imperial.

The programme will be ready for publication on Monday. This will give the people the correct names of those who are to participate in St. John's biggest athletic show.

Tom Longboat brooks no peer as an erratic Indian. Interviewed yesterday he said: "No, I'm not going to run at the big concert of the Sportsmen's Battalion on Monday night—I'm going to fight." The interviewer looked for a handy means of getting out of the zone of fire should the famous Tom let loose his fists, but gaining confidence he inquired of the champion runner just what he meant by "I'm going to fight."

Longboat then explained that some time ago he had put on the gloves with a certain gentleman named Tom Daly, one time champion amateur boxer of United States and Canada. This occurred in the Queen City. They had a four round "go," and the referee decided the match a draw which displeased the Indian greatly.

Few people, although most sportsmen have followed Tom Longboat's career closely, know that he is a boxer of no mean ability, and boxing is no new role for him. A padded mitt he can wield with almost equal dexterity as a spiked shoe as he will demonstrate Monday night at the Imperial Theatre.

Most Indians are of a happy go lucky nature, but Tom has a grudge just now. He is tired of "pale face" referees in his short experience with them and he is now scoring the count for a man of his own tanned complexion to handle his bout with Daly on Monday night. Whether he will be successful or not is difficult to say, but if there is a competent Indian referee in the province Longboat wants to know it. At any rate he will meet Daly in four rounds, no matter what the complexion of the referee is, but red is the color he prefers for his coming match.

This will be the first time Eastern Canada has seen Tom Longboat in "punches" instead of "strides," and no doubt the announcement will excite considerable interest. This is one time Longboat would sooner fight than run and it will be one of the premier attractions at the big concert on Monday night.

A meeting was held yesterday afternoon in Walter Golding's office in the Imperial Theatre at which arrangements were completed for the affair. Through the kindness of T. McAvity and Sons their big motor truck has been secured for Saturday afternoon. In this, after it has been properly decorated with bunting, the band of

the 180th will be drawn through the streets of the city. A similar concession has been granted by W. T. Thorne and Company and on Monday after the Imperial performance the procession will be repeated, in order to fully advertise the concert. The committee for the reception of returned soldiers is working hand in hand with the officers and the 180th Battalion and Mr. Golding as a portion of the proceeds will go to that committee.

## TRIS AND NUNEMAKER AFTER MOOSE

Tris Speaker, the husky Texan, who with sincere regret left the Boston Americans, his many friends, and a congenial environment in the deep field bleachers, to go to Cleveland, and Leslie Nunemaker, the stone-wall back stop of New York, and for years a Boston player, are having the time of their lives up the line. Tris and Nunemaker have just repeated their success in stopping the lordly moose up in the Canadian region and are now resting after an arduous tramp and ducking rain storms in the wilds of the big game country.

The famous players are guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tingley, of the railway hub. The name hub, two years ago attracted the former Boston players and it required little persuasion at that time by their close friend Dr. George Tingley, of Boston, to lead them to new pastures after a strenuous season.

### P. E. I. Enjoying Prosperity.

The amount of freight moving between Prince Edward Island and the mainland at present is without precedent. An official of the P. E. Island Railway declares that never in the history of the province has so much freight been moved over the island railway. So great has been the movement of freight that the congestion at island ports had almost become serious. Fortunately the worst appears to be over. Summerside is now practically cleared up as the result of an extra trip by the Northumberland on Sunday and it is expected that she will now be able to handle all that offers. All day Monday the Car Ferry steamer was being loaded with the freight which had gathered there, and when she left at an early hour Wednesday there were about sixty-five carloads stowed into her hold—chiefly oats and potatoes. The congestion at Point du Chene and Picton has been equally heavy. All this means that this is the most prosperous season in the history of the province, and more money is being done and more money being put into circulation.

### Retail Fish Market.

Fresh fish was not plentiful yesterday, and prices were high. There was very little fresh cod and the small quantity on hand brought ten cents a pound. Haddock, sold at the same price, was to be had in fair quantity. There was a limited supply of smelt, selling at about 15c a pound. Mackerel brought from 20c to 35c each. Clams, at 25c a quart, and oysters at 90c, were on hand in good quantities. A jump has taken place in the price of haddock, 15c a pound being asked for and paid. Salt cod may be had at from 15c to 18c a pound. Smoked fish is fairly plentiful and brings about the same prices as last week.

### U. S. Inspects Potatoes.

A recent circular issued by the U. S. Department of Agriculture defines the regulations governing the importation of potatoes. There is only a small duty but every shipment must be examined by an inspector of the department. It is required that importations be made only at points where an inspector is stationed, and anyone who desires to send potatoes from New Brunswick will have to have them sent to Portland or Boston.

## LOCAL BOWLING YESTERDAY

### THE CITY LEAGUE.

The first series in the City Bowling League opened on Black's alleys last night when the Nationals and Beavers broke even with two points each. In addition to the last season league bowlers some real good new talent is in the game this year, and it is expected that the 1916-17 season will prove to be more closely contested than ever before. Last season a number of records were broken, but there appears to be even more interest in the league contests than ever.

The individual scores of last night's game follow:

Nationals.					
Gilmour	91	97	78	266	88 2-3
Howard	103	83	82	268	89 1-3
Cosgrove	84	101	84	269	89 2-3
Moore	112	94	89	295	98 1-3
McKean	91	88	83	262	87 1-3

Beavers.					
Cooper	83	91	89	263	87 2-3
Baillie	86	90	95	271	90 1-3
Scott	93	87	87	267	89
Maxwell	95	91	77	263	87 2-3
Carleton	108	83	119	310	103 1-3

465	442	467	1374
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Tonight's Game.  
The Elks and Whips play tonight.

### THE ST. PETER'S LEAGUE.

In the St. Peter's Bowling League match last night the Maples captured three points from the Roses after a hard fight. The scores follow:

Maples.					
Howard	78	71	72	221	73 2-3
Colgan	84	98	73	255	81 2-3
Downing	86	100	77	263	87 2-3
Cronin	109	76	86	271	90 1-3
Bain	81	75	74	230	76 2-3

438	410	382	1230
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Roses.					
J. Harrington	70	86	70	226	75 1-3
H. McCarty	80	83	78	241	80 1-3
J. Martin	89	69	79	217	72 1-3
L. McCarty	67	78	80	225	75
Harrington	81	89	90	260	86 2-3

367	405	397	1169
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Game Tonight.  
The game tonight will be played between the Erins and Thistles.

## BRITISH GENERAL

### PREDICTS VICTORY

With the British army in France, via London, Oct. 25—"Can the German line on the western front be broken?"

Next to General Sir Douglas Haig, few British soldiers are in a better position to judge than General Sir Henry Rawlinson, General Haig's right-hand man in the Somme offensive.

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armies under Sir Douglas Haig's command. "Are you satisfied with the results?" he was asked. "Yes," he replied, "we have taken position after position, and thirty thousand prisoners. For nearly four months this new army has kept on attacking. It has asserted its mastery over the enemy who had forty years of preparation. The dogged, heroic gallantry and tenacity of our infantry have been proved. Despite their desperate counter-attacks how their prisoners the Germans have taken?"



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