

SPORTS

Gossip and Comment

President Joseph K. Mercer, of the Amateur Athletic Federation of Canada, announced in Montreal that in all probability the peace negotiations which will result in the formation of an entirely new body of athletic government, which will be called either C. A. A. U. or Federation. There is to be one supreme board of appeal and each section of the country will run its own athletic business subject to central control.

The suggestion is a good one. Some of the officials of the C. A. A. U. are certainly not big enough to handle affairs of national importance in sport, but they might make good governing a county or provincial organization.

How would it do to hold a ten and fifteen cent Marathon for the professionals who will quit in races during the past two weeks?

For reversals of form the two-legged gallopers have the ponies beaten to a standstill.

Despatches from Terre Haute, Ind., to the Buffalo papers say that Longboat is "on his good behavior." Tom beat a four-man team there on Sunday, running twelve miles in 1.04.32.

This Marathon business is showing up some of the distance men, and it begins to look as if two fast races are about the limit. It is a well known fact that Dorando is a longboat and has shown nothing for some months, and quite every time out. St. Yves has stopped three times lately, and it begins to appear as if the distance thing is getting him, too. Had he finished the distance in any two of his trials his finish would have been in sight. Johnny Hayes is lasting, of course, but he has not run the distance fast enough to hurt anybody. Marathoning is no good for anybody with sense.

At Belmont Park and Gravesend this will be a busy week. The stakes that will be raced for are the Belmont, worth \$30,000; National Stallion, \$14,000; Laureate, \$2,000; Van Cortlandt Handicap, \$1,000; Criterion, \$1,000; Great American, \$25,000; the Myrtle, \$1,000; Kensington, \$1,000 and Grand National Steeplechase Handicap, \$1,000.

The Brookly Handicap, with the first and third in the Toronto Cup as prominent contenders, will be the feature of the programme on Thursday, the opening day of the spring meeting at the Gravesend track. It is the first of the great races at a mile and a quarter.

Buffalo Hammer. Well, anyway, sherring had his hair combed better than Shrub did.

P. T. Chinn, the well-known turfman, has decided to leave Toronto his headquarters during the present season, says the Toronto News.

Mr. Chinn has at present a score of horses at the Woodbine, and he intends covering the entire Canadian circuit. He will use Toronto as a recruiting point, bringing horses along from Kenton to train the horses at the local track. The best of his three-year-olds, Donald Macdonald, has been sent to New York, where he will race for the Belmont Stakes this week. After this event, his horse will be shipped to Hamilton, where he has been entered in the Derby.

Among the horses of the Chinn Stable at the Woodbine which will be taken around the circuit are Rifleman, Pinte, Descomnets, Lady Irma, the Golden Butterfly and Lady Frederick.

The needful "little" thing about a wheeze is the point, and we have waited some sixteen years to collide with the Chicago Tribune. Lord Durham in 1893 sent a horse over here to try for the American Derby. If a six-year-old is not playing tricks with us, the horse's name was Straight of Hants. An English jockey was sent over to ride this horse. The horses were at the post for an hour and some odd—but you remember that the field finally was dispatched with the imported horse and the imported jockey staring blankly into vacancy.

When the field had swept around the first turn the English jockey reined up in front of Mr. Pettigill, the starter, who had not left his stand.

"I beg your pardon, sir," said the English jockey, "but is it a go?"

"Of course, it's a go," answered Mr. Pettigill, who was considerably wrought up. "What are you doing here?"

"Really," said the young man, who was aboard of Lord Durham's colt, "I wasn't aware of it. Don't you think I would better be going?"

"Certainly," cried Mr. Pettigill. "Get away from here."

"Thank you very kindly, sir," said the English jockey, "but your customs are so unusual that I hardly knew what was expected of me. Which way did the horses go?"

"That way," said Pettigill, waving his left hand.

"Thank you, sir," said the youth, wheeling about. "I shall make an attempt to overtake them."

A TROPHY FOR RUGBY. HAMILTON SHOOTERS DID WELL AT BUFFALO.

Governor-General Will Give a Cup.

Many Games in Big Leagues Yesterday.

Terah Won Valley Farm Handicap.

Ottawa, June 1.—A challenge cup for competition in Rugby football is to be given by His Excellency the Governor-General, according to an announcement made last night. It is hoped to make the trophy emblematic of the amateur championship of the Dominion. The trophy is to be a perpetual one. The Governor-General is thus doing for football what his predecessor, Lord Minto, has done for lacrosse, and Lord Stanley for hockey. His Excellency names three trustees, H. B. McGivern, M. P., of Ottawa, an old footballer; Rev. Bruce Macdonald, principal of St. Andrew's College, Toronto, and Percy Moulton, of Montreal. Regarding the trustees, Earl Grey's wish is that they shall control the cup and that their decisions as to the disposal of the trophy shall be absolute. Should any trustee die, or otherwise drop out, a successor shall be appointed by the Governor-General for the time being.

At His Excellency's request, the trustees have made suggestions regarding the disposal of the cup and the contest for it, which His Excellency has approved. It is suggested that the regulations must be considered as subject at any time to the will of the trustees, inasmuch as circumstances are always liable to arise which may require a departure from all rules.

The deed of gift has conditions similar to those for the Stanley and Minto cups.

Soccer at Stratford. Stratford, June 1.—Tavistock and Stratford tied, 1 to 1, in a W. F. A. junior game played here yesterday. The teams were:

Stratford—Preston, Avery, Preston, Ross, Morphy, Leadman, Morgan, Caruthers, Lowe and Higgins.

Tavistock—Hemer, Stock, Jarvis, Seigner, Gerhart, Morgonroth, Krug, Uffelen, Weicher, Matthews.

Referee—Weir, of Stratford.

TERAH'S HANDICAP.

Good Racing at the Woodbine Yesterday.

Toronto, June 1.—Ideal weather was responsible yesterday for the largest week-day attendance in the history of the Woodbine.

The general enclosure and betting ring were packed like on Saturday, while the members' stand presented an unusually attractive sight, this being practically the first chance the ladies have had to wear real summer clothes. The Governor-General's Body Guard Band dispensed the music. The entries in five or seven events were numerous and the scratches likewise.

Red River won the opening race in a gallop with Bellewether second. Purslane came strong on end, getting up from the rear in time to get third place. The Albany purse for three-year-old Canadian foals went to Davies' Shore Lark, Egan foal, who took the first part, carried a load of money at 8 to 5, but would not do it and he could not get away second, but nothing left in the stretch.

Rod MacKenzie's Direct took the Seagram Cup, a heavyweight handicap. It was a nip and tuck struggle all the way. Jack Parker, Hon. Adam Beck's new York purchase, got away in front and was only nipped at the finish by a neck. St. Elmwood was a good third, with the rest of the field straggling. The steeplechase went to the 12 to 1 favorite, Economy, after his jockey, Mahon, had given his backers an attack of heart failure by trailing his field to the last turn and then cutting loose with a wonderful turn of speed, passing Canvas after last jump. Economy was much the best.

(Mahon) 2 to 1, even and 3 to 5, won by two lengths; Dr. Koch, 145 (Archibald), 5 to 1, 2 to 1 and even; Dr. Keith, 141 (Saffel), 7 to 1, 5 to 2 and even. 3. Time, 4:12.3-5. Pickette, Spencer Reiff, Charfield, My Grace and Cancer also ran. Big Bear lost rider.

Sixth race, \$700 added, Valley Farm Handicap, 3-year-olds, and up, 1-1-16 miles—Terah, 115 (Rettig), 2 to 1, 4 to 5 and 1 to 3, won by three lengths; Lady Esther, 117 (Musgrave), 6 to 1, 2 to 1 and 4 to 5; xPocomoke, 103 (Goldstein), 7 to 2, 9 to 5 and 1 to 2, 3. Time, 1:48. Quantico, Uncle Toby, Siskin also ran. xClyde stable.

Seventh race, \$500 added, 3-year-olds and up, selling, 6 furlongs—Joe Gaitens (Devey), 2 to 1, 4 to 5 and 2 to 5, won by two lengths; Fulford, 98 (Herbert), 7 to 2, 4 to 5 and 3 to 5; Caper Sauce, 100 (Chandler), 8 to 1, 3 to 1 and 8 to 5, 3. Time, 1:18.3-5. Many Colors, Lelie, Protagonist, Tellington, Youthful, Brown Tony, Sally Preston and Consistent also ran.

IN WOODBINE PADDOCK. There is an epidemic of sickness among the stables at Woodbine. It is a sort of fever. Twenty horses in the Seagram stable are down with it, ten in the Shields stable and all of Amos Turner's. A couple of J. W. May's showed evidence of ailing yesterday, and he decided to ship immediately to Montreal. On account of the illness of several horses in his string Albert Simons has decided not to ship to Montreal. He will remain at Woodbine until the opening of the Hamilton meeting.

Robert Davies has decided not to keep French Shore over for next year's King's Plate and the filly will be campaigned by Willie Shields over the Canadian circuit.

Hurlock's last race was so disappointing to Capt. Pregrange that he has decided to use her as a hack for the remainder of the season. Several of Seymour Butler gathered in a couple of undesirable on Saturday last. William Cahill made a wager of \$200 on Sam Hildreth's King James and lost the ticket. Two young chaps, who gave their names as Arthur Clark and George Jay, presented the ticket for payment and they were escorted to the gate. Butler is a busy man at the track and nothing escapes him. He is easily the best man that the Pinkertons have ever sent to Canada.

RACE MATINEE.

Entries for the Events of Wednesday Afternoon.

Hamilton Driving Club will hold its first matinee to-morrow afternoon at the Maple Leaf Park. There will be three races with a good entry list for each, as follows:

Class A—Lady Baxter, Fairview Belle, Lulu Hal, He O.

Class B—John R., Sam Hal, Miss Phil. Springs, Hal D., Darkey S., Wilkes Arch.

Class D—Joe Miller, Lady Rose, Paddy, Lady S., Hood's entry, Topsy, Little's entry.

George Beattie and Walter Thomson Distinguished Themselves at Decoration Day Shoot.

Buffalo, June 1.—(Special.)—The Buffalo Audobon Club held a very satisfactory and successful shoot at its grounds yesterday. The main feature of the very elaborate general programme, including the merchandise shoot, was a match team shoot at 100 targets, ten men to a team. There were four clubs represented: Bradford Gun Club, of Bradford, Pa.; Hamilton Gun Club, Stanleys of Toronto, and the Audobons.

In this event several good scores were made, especially that of George Beattie, winner at the Olympic games, who made the fine score of 99 out of a possible 100. Wagner, of Bradford, and W. P. Thomson, Hamilton, came next with 96, and Kelsey and Wooten each scored 94. The Lubelski cup for high average and the Sidway cup for the greatest run were also won by Mr. Beattie. Mr. Wagner, of Bradford, won second high average cup, and W. P. Thomson, of Hamilton, the third average cup.

Beattie, Hamilton, won high run cup, breaking 97 straight.

Hamilton got third in team race. Buffalo was first with 894; Bradford, Pa., second, 887; Hamilton, third, 860; Stanleys, of Toronto, fourth, 845. The scores: Buffalo—Kelsey 94, Hilliker 92, Bernhardt 91, Covert 90, Wright 90, Sidway

86, Hopper 88, Talcott 86, E. Cox 82, Dr. Wooten 85, total 894.

Bradford, Pa.—Connolly 92, Henline 91, Wagner 96, F. Koerner 91, Mallory, jun., 90, Pringle 89, Koerner 88, Bodine 84, Mason 84, Mallory, sen., 82, total 887.

Hamilton—George Beattie 99, W. P. Thomson 96, B. E. Glover 91, Fletcher 89, Beam 86, Dr. Wilson 84, Barnes 84, C. Thomson 82, R. Day 82, total 860.

Stanleys, Toronto—Dunk 92, Houghton 87, Jennings 87, Blank 87, Wakefield 86, Ely 86, McGill 81, Vivian 80, Hulme 86, Marsh 73, total 845.

Following are the scores made by Hamilton shooters:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Score. Includes names like Geo. Beattie, W. P. Thomson, B. E. Glover, M. E. Fletcher, Dr. Wilson, T. W. Barnes, D. Baillie, R. Day, C. Thomson, J. Hunter, H. A. Horning.

Maple Leafs at Buffalo on Decoration Day. At Buffalo.—Toronto and Buffalo split even in a brilliant double-header to-day, Toronto taking the first game by 3 to 0 in a twelve-inning game, in which McGinley outlasted Taylor, and the Bisons winning the second through Kellogg's witness and his two errors. With better pitching Toronto would have taken the second game, too. A big holiday crowd saw the games, which were marked by brilliant plays by both sides. Several times the fielding back of both men was sensational, and saved scores.

ATHLETIC SPORTS AT RIDLEY COLLEGE.

Running and Walking Races at Different Points Yesterday.

St. Catharines, June 1.—The annual games of the Ridley College students were completed on the college campus on the western banks of the old Welland Canal, the winners of the various events being as follows:

Throwing cricket ball (senior)—1, Taylor; 2, Lee; 3, McDougall; distance, 107 1/2 yards.

Running hop, step and jump (junior)—1, Casella; 2, Marani (mi); 3, Mix; distance, 72 yards.

Running hop, step and jump—1, Fitts; 2, Maxwell; 3, Tidy; distance, 35 feet 9 inches.

Running high jump—1, Casella; 2, Peters (ma); 3, Bishop; distance, 4 feet 4 inches.

Half-mile—1, Leach (L.); 2, Lee (L.); 3, Burgess. Time, 2:2-6 seconds.

One mile (senior)—1, Leach; 2, Walbank; 3, Burgess. Time, 5 minutes, 25 seconds.

Half-mile (under sixteen)—1, Hughson; 2, Jarvis (IL.); 3, Parker.

220 yards (senior)—1, McDougall; 2, Woodworth; 3, Lee. Time, 2:5-4 seconds.

100 yards (under sixteen)—1, Salway; 2, Parker; 3, Hughson. Time, 1:4-5 seconds.

80 yards (under eleven)—1, Peterson (ma); 2, Williams; 3, Imlay. Time, 1:3, seconds.

100 yards (under thirteen)—1, Gates; 2, Alexander; 3, Lawrie. Time 1:3-5.

WON AND LOST.

July 5—Times vs. Spectator.

July 7—Spectator vs. Herald.

July 12—Times vs. Herald.

July 14—Spectator vs. Times.

July 19—Herald vs. Spectator.

July 21—Herald vs. Times.

July 26—Times vs. Spectator.

July 28—Spectator vs. Herald.

Aug. 2—Times vs. Herald.

FULL TIPS. Pitcher Adams, of the Pirates, beat St. Louis twice yesterday.

George Mullin, of the Tigers, pitched his ninth straight victory yesterday.

Matthewson won his own game yesterday afternoon with a home run in the eighth inning.

BROWN-SCHMIDT NEXT FRIDAY.

All arrangements have been made for the championship wrestling match on between Bert Brown, of Brantford, and Mox Schmidt, this city. It will take place on Friday night at the Britannia rink. It will be two falls in three, straight hold barred. The preliminary will be a six round boxing event.

Schmidt is so confident of winning easily that he will stand ready to meet all comers after the main bout.

Brown claims to be the champion amateur of the light heavy weight division of Western Ontario.

Lingual Tests for the Children. A London paper recently offered a series of prizes for the best "tongue twisting" sentences. The prize winning contributions are:

The bleak breeze blighted the bright broom blossoms.

Strife, strong Stephen Stringer snared sleekly six sickly silky snakes; Susan shined shoes and socks; socks and shoes shined Susan. She ceaseath shining shoes and socks, for shoes and socks shod Susan.

A haddock, a haddock, a black spotted haddock, a black spotted on the black back of a black spotted haddock.

Oliver Oglethorpe ogled an owl and an oyster. Did Oliver Oglethorpe ogle an owl and an oyster, were are the owl and the oyster Oliver Oglethorpe ogled?

John M. Beasley, of Petrolia, was found dead driving in his buggy on Monday.

Oh, the red-hos swimmin' in the bubbly crick Where the shade is heavy an' the brush is thick; He is mighty known an' he's mighty sly; But he ain't doin' any more work than I.

Just a-loafin', just a-loafin', just a-loafin' in the sun Fer I jest can't hustle when the sky's so blue; An' the world's so shiny that it looks like new; When the sunshine flickers through the poplar trees, An' the basswood's heavy with the busin' bees, So I'm loafin', so I'm loafin', so I'm loafin' in the sun.

There's a hobwhite whistles where the poppies grow, An' a cow-bell tinkles in the marsh bed; While a red squirrel chatters on a hickory limb, But I'm too darn lazy fer a crack at 'em; Jest a-loafin', jest a-loafin', jest a-loafin' in the sun.

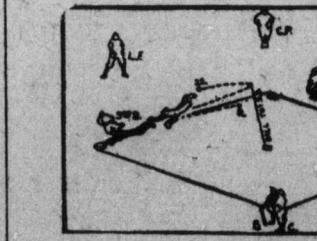
Oh, there's joy in livin' when the days are long; Jes' to lay an' listen to the South-wind's song; Jes' to hear the chimin' of a fur-off bell— Jes' a good-fer-nuthin' an' an' a ner-do-well; Jest a loafin', jest a-loafin', jest a loafin' in the sun.

Score Cards Given Away

Captains and managers of local amateur baseball teams will be supplied with free score cards by applying at the business office of THE TIMES.

An order in council has been passed at Ottawa making it compulsory for civil servants to be at their departments from 9 a. m. until 5 p. m. In many cases civil servants have been working only from 10 till 4, with two hours' break for lunch.

Detroit Nine Springs New Scheme to Catch Runner Napping Off Bag.



This is the stereotyped, copyrighted method. It is the scheme of the baseball standpaters.

But not for Jennings. Let a base runner lead too far off second and the shortstop and pitcher get the offense to try for him. If they succeed in getting the ball between second and the runner, the latter's only hope is to head for third.

Naturally the third baseman hustles over to the bag. Also he makes sundry and divers motions with his hands to help the runner into a condition where he will believe the shortstop is about to throw the ball.

Without preliminaries, the runner, constantly expecting the ball to be thrown to third, cannot do his best, because he must be ready to stop and return toward third at any moment. But the shortstop, unhindered by any such thought, can run at full speed, which he does.

About the time the runner realizes the ball will not be thrown, he slides for the bag, only to be tagged by the man behind.

The first time Detroit used this trick in public, the shortstop slid into third with the runner, tagging him on the leg in time to retire him. The play made a big hit with the fans.

BOWLING

Toronto, June 1.—The annual meeting of the committee in charge of the Dominion Lawn Bowling tournament was held at the Victoria Club, Huron street, last night. C. E. Brush, chairman of the committee, occupied the chair, and G. S. Peary acted as secretary.

Among those present were: L. B. Brush, chairman; G. S. Peary, Hon. Secretary-Treasurer; W. C. Chisholm and J. Paton, Trustees; D. B. Trophy; George R. Hargratt, J. S. Willison, A. S. Wignmore and S. Swaby, Past Chairmen; H. A. Drummond, Past Secretary; J. A. Harrison, Parkdale; J. W. Marks, Alexandria; A. Foy, Russell Howell; W. E. Orr, Balm Beach; E. M. Lake, Victoria; C. T. Pearce and Russell Greenwood, Canada; E. Hales, St. Matthews; George Anderson, R. C. Y. C.; J. H. Rowan, Queen City; Dr. Dame, Rusholme; W. DeE. Strickland, St. Simons; H. Martin, Thistles, and A. J. Walker, Oaklands.

The report of the chairman and the Hon. Secretary-Treasurer was a satisfactory one, and the financial statement showed a balance to the credit of the association.

It was decided that the seventeenth annual tournament for the various trophies should be held on the Woodbine lawn during the week commencing Monday, Aug. 16, at 2 p. m., and continuing thereafter each day at 9 a. m.

There will be three rink competitions, namely: Walker Trophy, Ontario Trophy and Toronto Trophy, and also competitions for the Williston Trophy, doubles, and the Rawlinson Trophy, for singles. The following are the officers and committees elected for 1909:

Chairman—G. S. Peary, Victoria Club. Hon. Secretary-Treasurer—E. Orr, Balm Beach Club.

Tournament Committee—W. H. Hall, A. S. Wignmore, E. M. Lake, T. H. Lister, with the Chairman and Hon. Secretary-Treasurer.

His Rainy Day.

I never was much on a rainy day, When the light and the lilies are raised away; I think o' the mortgage comin' due An' a thousand things that are sad to you; I never was much for a rainy day!

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