Vera's Love Affair

"I came for a book," says he contritely, refusing to set her right as to the fact of the room being his own. To add another touch of chagrin to that charming face is beyond him. "Now that I am here will you permit me to say a few words in my own defense?"

"Oh, defense!" says she, with undisguised scorn.

"Certainly. I would prove to you how entirely you have wronged me," says he firmly. The softer look has gone from his face now, and a sudden chill has fallen upon it. The lips look severe, perhaps even a little hard, and the whole expression haughty. "I acknowledge that my father expressed a wish that I should marry you," coloring darkly, "always provided you were willing to accept me, and I"—slowly—"acceded to that wish."

"But why, why?" demands she, flashing round at him.

"I do not wonder at your question. It seems impossible there should be a reason," replies he coldly; "for ever since the first hour we met you have treated me with uniform unfriendliness, I had almost said discourtesy."

"There is a reason, nevertheless," says she hotly. She has come a step or two nearer to him, and her large, lustrous eyes, uplifted, seem to look defiance into his. "Your reason I can fathom—but your father's—that, I confess, puzzles me. Why should he, whose god is money, choose the penniless daughter of the brother he defrauded, to be——"

"Defrauded!" interrupts Seaton with a frown.

"Call it what you will," with an expressive gesture of her hand, "undertake his defense, too; but the fact remains that the iniquitous deed that gave to your father what should have been ours was undoubtedly drawn up by my uncle. I have heard all about it a hundred times. Your father hardly denied it to mine when last writing to him. His taking us home to live with him was, I suppose, a sort of reparation. To marry you to me, and thus give me back the property he stole, is that a reparation, too?"

She is as pale as death, and the hands that cling to the back of the chair near her are trembling. But her lips are firm and her eyes flashing. It occurs to Seaton, gazing at her in breathless silence, that if she could have exterminated him then and there by a look, she would have done it.

"I am not defending my father's conduct in so far as that will of my grandfather's goes, though I think—have always thought — it an unjust one. I know very little of the true facts of the case, and you will pardon my saying that I think you know as litle, all your information being from the man who believed himself wronged."

"Was it mere fancy, then? Is that how it seems to you? Is it right that an elder son should be thrust out of his place and the younger given all?

"I have already said that I think that unjust; but who shall say it was my father who was unduly influenced old man, whose name is a synonym for hatred, malice and uncharitableness? That will, in my estimation, should not have been allowed to stand; there I blame my father. Had it been in my power I would have restored the property to you and yours long since; but, as you see, I can do nothing—yet. In time," he pauses and regards her earnestly, "I may be able to do so."

"You would restore me my own as a gift! Do you think I would accept it at your hands? Not that nor anything else," says she with cold contempt. "You hardly know me. What is mine by right of law, I would hold against all; what the law forbids me, I will take from no man—and from you, of all others——"

"You are bitter," he says, with sudden anger. "From the first you regarded me as an enemy, and now——"

"Was I not right? What else are you?" cries she, refusing to hear him further. "The worst—the most contemptible. What," her voice breaking into a sob of terrible humiliation, "have you not understood? Are you dead to the shame I endured this morning? When that old man insulted me by this hateful command, do you think I did not feel it? I tell you every word he said has burned itself into my brain, so keenly did it touch me. I was nothing. Nothing!" with an inexpressible burst of indignation. "My consent was a thing of no importance at all. I was a mere bit of goods and chattels, to be disposed of as your father saw fit. I——"

"I refuse to listen to all this——"

"You shall! You have brought this on me; you shall hear how it sounds to me, to any right-thinking person. I was treated by your father—with your knowledge and approbation, no doubt—as though I were a mere nonentity, the poor dependent, whose will was very properly merged in that of her benefactor's. Nay, more, I was clearly expected to kneel at his feet and express myself thankful for the benefit conferred upon me—the benefit being you."

She makes a slight but sharp movement expressive of the deepest, most poignant self-abasement.

"You degrade yourself and me, when you talk like that," says Seaton, who is now as pale as she is. "For heaven's sake, try to remember how abominably you misrepresent the whole thing. If my father had a freak of this kind in his head—a desire to see you ment he could. I defy you to regard wife he paid you the highest compliloves me; in wishing to see you my his part. It was more," boldly. "He see that—a well-meant arrangement on such a desire. It was rather—you must married to his only son—surely there was no discourtesy to you contained in it in any other light."

"You plead his cause well—it is your own," says she, tapping the back of the chair with taper, angry fingers. "Why take the trouble? Do you think you can bring me to view the case in a lenient light? Am I likely to forget, that you—you, aided and abetted your father in trying to force me into this detested marriage?"

"Pray put that marriage out of your head," says he slowly. "You have taken it too seriously. I assure you I would not marry you now if you were as willing as you are unwilling. I can hardly put it stronger."

"That fact does not alter the past; and of that alone I complain. The future is in my hands," haughtily, "not yours. I remember that you would have agreed to your father's proposal; that is enough. You were willing to marry me—he said so; and I tell you," lifting once again her lovely condemnatory eyes to his, "that was the act of a coward!"

"You have called me a coward once before," he reminds her with a peculiar smile. "There is no occasion to repeat that insult. I have not forgotten it."

"Why should I not repeat it? Why should I not tell you now, once for all?" says she, "what I think of you? Do you know," drawing closer in a heavy tired way, as if all the youth and spirit has gone out of her, "that I did not suspect you of it? I never dreamed you would be guilty of such meanness. I did not like you certainly—I disliked you, in fact——"

"That, also, you have told me before."

[To be Continued.]

THE AUTO.

VANDERBILT SMASHED RECORD.

Ormonde, Fla., Jan. 30. — Fifty miles with four turns, in 40 minutes and 49 4-5 seconds was the record made in the Ormonde-Dayton beach course today by W. K. Vanderbilt, jun. The event was for the American Automobile Association championship at that distance, open to all. The pace figures out 73½ miles an hour, the best record ever made in America and almost as good as any straight-away record for that distance in the world. In this long race Mr. Vanderbilt managed his machine admirably. In the four turns, necessitated by using the ten mile course he displayed great skill and daring. On completing the twenty miles his machine left its tire marks just four feet, nine inches from the stake, going at a good speed. In the ten-mile invitation race, open to gentlemen amateurs only, Mr. Vanderbilt again smashed all previous records, making the distance in 6:50. The best previous record was made by Barney Oldfield, at Denver, last year.

The three motor cycle machines, which raced a mile yesterday, went ten miles straight-away today. G. H. Curtiss won with the record time of 8:54 2-5. Oscar Hedstrom and W. W. Austin came in second and third. Between the races scheduled for today, Barney Oldfield tried ten miles against time, but did not lower the record.

The Berlin directory, the 1904 edition of which is just out, has completed its two hundredth year.

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CHAMPIONSHIP HOCKEY GAMES AT MANY PLACES ON SATURDAY

Games Between Hortons and Stratford Was Called Off—Some Groups Concluded.

GAMES THIS WEEK.

TUESDAY.

Junior City League.

Lornes vs. Imperials.
Waterloos vs. L. C. I.
St. John's vs. Aberdeens.

WEDNESDAY.

Junior O. H. A.

Listowel vs. Hortons, at Jubilee Rink.

THURSDAY.

Senior W. O. H. A.

Aberdeens vs. Waterloo, at Waterloo.

FRIDAY.

Senior City League.

Aberdeens vs. Y. M. C. A.
Seventh Regiment vs. St. Johns.

SATURDAY.

Senior W. O. H. A.

Aberdeens vs. Berlin, at Berlin.

Stratford, Ont., Jan. 30. — A large crowd had assembled this evening to witness what was expected to be a good hockey game between the Hortons, of London, and the local team. The Londoners arrived from Listowel about noon and were ready to play, as also were the locals, at 7:45, the time the game was called for, but the rink was then in a state of darkness. After waiting till 9 o'clock, and having ascertained there would be no chance of the rink being lighted during the night, the game was called off by mutual consent, the locals paying the visitors' expenses, and the Hortons being given the option of fixing a new date if they wish to play. On inquiry of the Electric Light Company it was found that, owing to the blockade on the railways, their supply of coal is somewhere on the railroad and their stock was so low that they could not get up steam to operate the dynamos.

MEDS. VS. MEDS.

The great annual sporting event of the Medical College took place Saturday morning at the Princess Rink, when the upper two and lower two years were pitted against each other at hockey, the seniors winning by a score of 6 to 2. The game was fast and furious—each and every player taking away with him some little memento in the form of an abrasion, contusion, ecchymosis, laceration, fracture, or dislocation. The players, who specially distinguished themselves were numerous. "Raspberry" Walker did his best, while he was on his feet, and undoubtedly would have done better had the play been in his own season. "Boss" McGillicuddy, of "No. 4," supported by the goal posts, made a stonewall defense. Captain Balfour's stick, like his team, was up in the air, "Hydrogogue" Bill, being the only exception to the rule. The referee was "Signor" Anderson. The line-up was as follows: Junior—"Boss" McGillicuddy, goal; "Pearl Ossicle" Shipley, point; A. N. Other, cover; F. Adams, J. Adams, "Cap." Balfour, "Rasp." Walker, forwards. Senior — "Old" Gunn, goal; Geo. Campbell, point; Bob Eucke, cover; C. N. McGuffin, Len Rowntree, P. C. Banghart, Jack Ross, forwards.

LOCAL GAME.

At the Jubilee Rink on Saturday evening Southam's team was defeated by the London Printing and Lithograph Company's team by a score of 3 to 1.

DECIDING GAME.

What will probably be the deciding game in group II of the O. H. A. will be played at Watford tonight between the St. Marys and Watford teams. Both are confident of winning and the game promises to be exciting. Jack Brown, of this city, will be referee.

HOT GAME AT DETROIT.

At Detroit, the other evening, a hard fought game of hockey was played between the Central High School and the Imperials. The latter are Canadians, four of them—Messrs. Vernon Ryan, A Wonnacott, Harry Ruse and George Wonnacott—being former Londoners. The score was a tie, 2 all, and another game will be arranged.

PETROLEA LOST.

Petrolea, Jan. 30. — The return match between Petrolea and Watford was played at Petrolea on Thursday night, and resulted in another victory for Watford by a score of 15 to 5. The half time score was 7 to 4 in favor of Watford, the Petrolea seven scoring one goal in the last half.

A CLOSE SCORE.

Port Hope, Ont., Jan. 29. — In the junior O. H. A. match here tonight between Peterboro and Port Hope, the home team defeated the visitors by a score of 7 to 6. At half time the score was 6 to 6, the winning goal being scored in the last half.

STOUFFVILLE GROUP CHAMPIONS

Uxbridge, Ont., Jan. 29. — In a very fast but clean game in the intermediate O. H. A. here tonight, Stouffville outplayed the home seven and are undisputably champions of district group No. 3. The first half ended 3 to 1, in favor of Uxbridge, but the visitors set a rapid pace in the second and notched up six goals, while the home team failed to score.

BELLEVILLE DEFAULTS.

Toronto, Jan. 29. — The Belleville junior hockey team have notified the O. H. A. that they will default all their remaining games in their group, including tonight's game with Cobourg. The club does not give any reason for their action. This gives the group to the Cobourg team.

QUEBEC WON.

Quebec, Jan. 30. — Shamrocks and Quebec played hockey this evening in the senior C. A. H. L., Quebec winning by 8 goals to 6.

PLAY AT MILTON.

Milton, Ont., Jan. 30. — Milton defeated Hespeler intermediates in a W. O. H. A. game here tonight by a score of 6 to 2. The ice was in first-class condition. Both played fast at times, but the local forwards were not playing their usual game.

LAST OF SEASON.

Almonte, Ont., Jan. 29.—The last of the hockey league matches to be played in Almonte this season took place here tonight between Renfrew and Almonte teams and resulted in a win for the visitors by a score of 7 to 3. The local team have improved much, it proving to be the best game played by them.

SECOND ROUND.

Toronto, Jan. 30. — At a meting of the O. H. A. sub-committee tonight arrangements were made for the second round of the championship series in which the clubs are ready, and also in which there are ties. In the senior series, group No. 1, Prescott drew the bye; Cornwall plays Morrisburg at Iroquois on Wednesday, Feb. 3. Winner to play Prescott at Brockville on Friday, Feb. 5.

ANOTHER LOSS FOR BARRIE.

Toronto, Jan. 31. — Barrie and St. Georges clashed in a senior O. H. A. game Saturday night and the spectators pronounced it one of the fastest games this year. The northerners came down with three defeats received since their entrance into senior company, and were bound, if possible, to win their last league game of the season. The line-up was the same that played the Marlboros a week ago, and if any change in the team it was for the better. At half-time the score was 3 to 1, in favor of St. Georges' seven, who at the finish led by one goal, the score being 5 to 4.

ROUGH ALL THROUGH.

Iroquois, Jan. 30. — Morrisburg defeated Iroquois in the last scheduled game of the O. H. A. series last night by a score of 6 to 4, the score at half-time being 2 to 2. The game throughout was very rough.

SAVED BY THE DEFENSE.

Toronto, Jan. 31. — Toronto and Dominion met in a Bank League game on Saturday for the third time this season, when Dominion were the victors by a score of 5 to 2. At half-time the score was 4 to 2. The last half was very fast hockey and only the great defense of the Dominion team saved them from defeat.

THREE TIED IN SERIES.

Orangeville, Jan. 30. — The Dufferins defeated Georgetown by 7 goals to 5 in an intermediate O. H. A. match here last night. The play was fast and interesting.

The game completed the district series and leaves the three teams—Argonauts, Georgetown and Orangeville—a tie, each of them having won all its home games.

CROOKED WORK AT OAKLAND; AN ENTIRE STABLE SUSPENDED

Ward's Chances in the Bout With Joe Gans Discussed—Big Purses for Turf Events.

San Francisco, Cal. Jan. 30. — After the last race at Oakland today the stable of C. C. McCafferty was suspended, owing to the improvement shown by Golden Light over his effort of yesterday and also on account of the running of Chickadee. King Hedley, a big bettor, who admitted he gave Harry Robinson, the trainer of Optimo and others $1,000 for the purpose of stopping the horses so that Telephone could win, was ruled off the turf.

BIG STAKES.

Chicago, Jan. 30. — The Washington Park Club announced today the stakes for the summer meeting beginning June 18 and ending July 16. They close Feb. 25. Including the American Derby, $25,000, over $50,000 will be added to the winnings of the horses which carry off the stake races. The outlook for the meeting, according to Secretary James Howard, is "brilliant," and some of the finest racing during the season will be seen at the Washington Park track.

The American Derby, $25,000 added, is the rich event. The prospects for this race are said to be the best in the history of the club. It is expected that 95 per cent of all the best 2-year-olds in the west the past season will be entered, and all of the colts from the east; that High Ball, Leonidas and Pulsus will be among the contestants. The other stakes follow:

Sheridan stakes, $4,000 added; Englewood stakes, $2,000 added; Drexel stakes, $2,000 added; Midway stakes, $2,000 added; Auburn stakes, $2,000 added; Oakwood handicap, $2,500 added; Great Western handicap, $3,000 added; Young handicap, $5,000 added; The Wheeler handicap, $7,500 added; Lakeside stakes, $2,000 added; Kenwood stakes, $2,000 added; Maywood stakes, $2,000 added; Edgewater stakes, $2,000 added; Quickstep stakes, $2,000 added; Hyde Park stakes, $7,500 added; Lake View handicap, $2,000 added; Overnight handicap, $1,250 and upward.

There will be no selling purses of less than $600, and other purses of $700 and upward are offered.

SATURDAY'S WINNERS.

At Los Angeles—Pat Bulger, 8 to 5; Lady Luca, 1 to 3; Platonius, 5 to 1; Charawind, 2 to 5; Fortunatus, 5 to 1; Elfin King, 4 to 1.

At New Orleans—Bronx, 20 to 1; Redman, 10 to 1; Scorpio, 13 to 5; Capt. Arnold, 13 to 5; Hands Across, 1 to 3; Handspinner, 9 to 4.

STAKES STRUCK OFF.

For the spring meeting of the Metropolitan Jockey Club, which begins April 25, there will be ten stakes, with a total value of $16,500 in added money. Entries for these fixtures will close March 1, at the Brooklyn office of the club. Last year, the initial season of the Metropolitan Jockey Club, for its spring meeting there were twelve stakes, with a total value of $19,500 distributed in added money.

The two stakes that have been stricken from the list for this season are the Fulton stakes, for 3-year-olds, at a mile and 70 yards, worth $1,500 in added money, and the Bushwick stakes, for 2-year-olds, at five furlongs, worth a similar amount. Some minor changes have been made in the other stages, although the added money remains the same and there is no change in the distances.

TO ORGANIZE DRIVERS.

A new proposition on the trotting turf that will awaken interest and create discussion in the "nothing doing" interval is the proposed organization of professional drivers.

The same movement was attempted before, but the present cause is much better presented than any previous effort in the same direction. Six years ago the same subject was agitated and while warmly approved it seemed that mere passing interest was the limit of effort.

FOOTBALL.

MUCH IN DEMAND.

Ann Arbor, Mich., Jan. 30. — Big Joe Maddock has had offers from six colleges and four universities to coach football next fall. The offers range from $400 to $1,500.

WRESTLING.

TURK HAD ARM BROKEN.

London, Jan. 30.—In a Graeco-Roman wrestling match at the Olympia tonight for the championship of the world, a purse of $10,000 and a side bet of $500, George Hackenschmidt, a Russian, won the first fall, within one minute, from Ahamed Madrali, a Turk. Madrali's arm was broken by the fall and Hackenschmidt was declared the winner of the bout.

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BASEBALL.

DIAMOND NOTES.

Second Baseman John Farrell has resigned with St. Louis. He is not sure of his old berth, however, as glowing reports come in constantly of the ability of the Sale Lake recruit, Donahue.

The Hillebrand brothers, Arthur and Homer, signed by Washington, as pitcher and first baseman, respectively, and traded to New York, declare emphatically they will not play in the latter city. If the original agreement is not adhered to they will remain on their ranches in North Dakota.

Pitcher Charlie McFarland, of St. Louis, has refused to sign the contract sent him, as he does not consider the salary offered in line with his services last season. He has gone into the cigar business.

"Patsy" Donovan's salary for last season was $8,000, and he was given a bonus of $1,000 for signing his contract.

At Hot Springs, Ark., Manager McGraw and a friend, C. T. Buckley, were arrested on a charge of gambling and held in $200 for trial. They were pitching silver dollars in a basket in public, at which game the pair were reported as having won $2,300. McGraw was much disturbed over his arrest. Subsequently the charge was dismissed.

TO BE SETTLED SOON.

Cincinnati, Jan. 30. — August Herrmann, chairman of the national baseball commission, today named Feb. 11 as the date for the special meeting of that body in Chicago to consider the New York Sunday baseball controversy.

HONEST DAVE FULTZ.

David Fultz, center fielder of the New York Americans, is spending the winter here, studying law, says the New York Sun. He is a graduate of Brown University and is a remarkable young man in many ways. He believes in keeping the Sabbath and consequently his contract exempts him from Sunday ball. He never indulges in profanity, never drinks, and believes in early retiring, followed by early rising. While in college he was a phenomenal athlete, being not only a star baseball player, but also one of the best halfbacks on the football field. Last season he was unable to show New York ball cranks his best baseball skill, owing to a lame knee, which handicapped him nearly all the season, but he has entirely recovered and will begin the coming campaign in toptop shape. Fultz is a superb outfielder, but his forte is batting and base-running, expert judges pronouncing him one of the fastest men in the profession. When Fultz signed with the New York Americans he received a big bonus and a salary amounting to something more than $5,000. As he continued to draw his pay after it was impossible for him to leave the bench, Fultz went to Treasurer Frank Farrel, of the club, and said:

"Mr. Farrell, I know that I am of no use to you and that it will be a long time before I can get into the game. As the club is up against many obstacles, I do not feel that I am acting fairly by drawing my salary and I am willing to take my release."

"Mr. Fultz," replied Treasurer Farrell, "there are few ball players of your caliber. I want you to be with me and I assure you that I am not worrying about you. Nature has made it impossible for you to play your best just at present, but you will get every dollar due you, just the same. You are a credit to the profession."

SKATING.

EIGHTH TIME CHAMPION.

For the eighth year in succession Fred J. Robson has made good his claim to the title of champion speed skater of Toronto. At the King Edward Rink, before 500 people, he won two out of three of the events in his match with Larry Piper, and incidentally drew premier honors in the mile open race.

Robson won the 220 yards and mile event in the match with Piper, while Piper got away with the half-mile. All three races were of the ding-dong order.

WOOD WON ALL.

Verona Lake, N. J., Jan. 30. — Over a six-lap to the mile course on Verona Lake today, Morris Wood, of Brooklyn, won three national speed skating championships of the National Amateur Skating Association of the United States. Wood, two years ago, won the one-mile championship here, and last year won the Canadian championship at the same distance, as well as retaining the American championship at an international meet. He outspeeded all his competitors in the three races today, the first being at a half mile, the second at one mile, and the third at five miles.

B. Bellefeuille, of Winnipeg, who holds the three-mile championship of the United States and Canada, took part in all of the three races, finishing third in the half mile, second in the five mile, and being unplaced in the one mile.

One-half mile championship—Won by Morris Wood, Brooklyn; W. H. Merritt, Verona Lake Skating Club, second; G. Bellefeuille, Winnipeg, Canada, third. Time, 1:24 4-5.

One mile, championship — Won by Morris Wood; W. H. Merritt, second; E. A. Taylor, Brooklyn, third. Time, 3:03.

Five-mile championship — Won by Morris Wood; G. Bellefeuille, second; W. H. Merritt, third. Time, 16:59.

CHAMPIONSHIP RACE.

New York, Jan. 30. — Thos. Hayward, of Brooklyn, won the one-half-mile Metropilitan skating championship at Olympic Field tonight. His time was 1:27 2-5.

RACES TONIGHT.

The second heat of the junior city championship skating race will be pulled off at the Westminster Rink this evening.

BOXING.

WILL FIGHT AT PHILADELPHIA.

It has practically been decided that the battle between Tom Sharkey and Jack Monroe will take place at Philadelphia. The managers of the principals are satisfied that there is very little chance for the contest to come off at Boston, as originally intended, owing to the interference of the authorities, and they are now negotiating with the Philadelphia matchmakers.

PINING FOR A FIGHT.

New York, Jan. 30. — Champion Jim Jeffries is beginning to pine for a fight. In an interview today he said: "Should the proposed battle between Tom Sharkey and Jack Monroe, which will in all probability take place in Philadelphia, end in a knockout, I will meet the winner for the championship.

WILL MEET AFTER ALL.

New York, Jan. 30. — Gus Ruhlin and "Sandy" Ferguson, who were to have met in a bout before the Criterion Athletic Club, of Boston, last Tuesday, will come together after all. They have been signed by the matchmaker of the Chelsea (Mass.), A. C. to try conclusions in a 15-round battle before that club on the night of Feb. 4.

MAY MEET AGAIN.

After the bout between Ryan and O'Brien at Philadelphia, Manager Gallagher, of the Mauch Chunk Athletic Club, offered the two men 70 per cent of the receipts to meet at his club. Gallagher offered to build a suitable arena and post a forfeit to pull off the fight without police interference. O'Brien has accepted the offer and Ryan has is under consideration.

The receipts for the fight were the greatest ever taken in at a boxing bout in Philadelphia. The previous high-water mark was $5,400, but the sum netted last night far exceeded this amount, being between $8,000 and $8,500. Up to Tuesday night $5,600 worth of tickets were disposed of while $600 was taken in yesterday afternoon, bringing the advance sale up to $6,200.

Every $3 and $5 seat was sold before the doors opened, and inside of fifteen minutes after the sale of balcony seats was started every one was disposed of and the later comers had to be content with cooling their heels on the outside and hungrily listening to the cheering and yelling of their more fortunate fellows within.

WARD'S CHANCES.

Just what chance Mike Ward has to defeat Joe Gans, with whom he will box ten rounds at Detroit tomorrow night, is a question that has been the principal subject of debate in Detroit sporting resorts for the past week. Gauging the belief of ring followers by the indications of the betting, the Sarnia boy is believed to lack 20 per cent of the lightweight champion's ability, nearly all of the wagers that have been made by Ward's friends during the past three days being placed at 4 to 5, with Mike on the short end of the bet. Earlier there was some 2 to 1 money, but this disappeared hurriedly. The 5 to 4 price looks to be just about what should be given.

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION PROPOSED.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 30.—The promoters of plan to form a national boxing association have issued a call to boxing promoters and writers for a meeting to be held in Detroit, Feb. 1.

TO MEET AGAIN.

New York, Jan. 30. — The World today says: Tommy Ryan and Philadelphia Jack O'Brien have virtually been matched to fight for the middleweight championship of the world, the latter part of next month, before the Yosemite A. C., of San Francisco.

CURLING.

TWO GAMES AT GALT.

Galt, Jan. 30. — The Toronto Granites curled against the Galt Granites here this morning, the latter winning by 23 shots. In the afternoon the Galts and Toronto Granites played five rinks each, resulting in favor of Toronto by 2 shots.

BILLIARDS.

FRENCHMAN WON.

Paris, Jan. 30. — By a narrow margin of four points, Vignaux, the French player, defeated Sutton, the American, in the billiard contest played here tonight and consequently retains the championship of the world.

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Down Where the Wurzburger Flows.
Bon Bons.
Peggy O'Neil (waltz).
Dance of the Honey Bees.
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Wenona.
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Colleen.
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