

ALL THE NEWS
THAT IS NEWS

A DAY IN THE SPORTING WORLD

SIDE LIGHTS ON
MANY SPORTSOPENING GAMES OF 1912 BASEBALL SEASON
WILL BE PLAYED IN THE BIG LEAGUES TODAY

Both the American and National Leagues Will Begin Proceedings—Weather Is Perfect In All the Cities and Record Opening Day Crowds Expected—Sporting Experts Busy Doping Out Results.

TODAY'S GAMES

AMERICAN LEAGUE.
Detroit at Cleveland.
Boston at New York.
Washington at Philadelphia.
St. Louis at Chicago.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.
New York at Brooklyn.
Philadelphia at Boston.
Chicago at Cincinnati.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, April 11.—The baseball season of 1912 opens in New York today, with contests scheduled in both the American and National Leagues. At American League Park the New York Yankees cross bats with the Boston Red Sox, while the New York Giants, champions of National League, open the season with the Superbas in Washington Park, Brooklyn. A cloudless sky during the forenoon and a temperature that hovered around the fifty mark gives promise of the usual large opening day attendance.

Mayor Gaynor will toss out the first ball in the game between the Giants and Brooklyn. Supreme Court Justice McCall will throw the first ball at American League Park. For an hour and a half before the game opens there, at 3:30 o'clock, a brass band will entertain the fans with popular airs. The game between the Giants and Brooklyn is scheduled to begin at 4 o'clock.

HOW IT IS DOPED OUT.

What sporting experts think of the chances of the various teams in the opening day is indicated in a betting circle by a syndicate of bookmakers here. The prices offered are as follows:

American League—Philadelphia 7 to 5, Detroit 5 to 2, Boston 7 to 2, New York 10 to 1, Cleveland 15 to 1, Chicago 20 to 1, Washington 50 to 1, St. Louis 100 to 1. National League—New York 2 to 1, Philadelphia 3 to 1, Chicago 7 to 2, Pittsburgh 4 to 1, St. Louis 15 to 1, Cincinnati 25 to 1, Brooklyn 50 to 1, Boston 100 to 1.

It is said that betting on baseball will be largely increased this year on account of the decadence of horse racing. There will be no opening for bookmakers at the ball parks, but poolrooms, hotels and cafes in most of the big cities will offer plenty of opportunities for those who wish to place bets.

Detectives Engaged.

All the major league clubs have engaged private detectives, who will patrol the grandstands and box seats in an effort to eliminate even private betting. Unusual vigilance is to be exercised in Pittsburgh and Boston, where the baseball bettor has become a veritable pest. The National Baseball Commission has also requested the postal authorities to look after professional pool sellers and bookmakers.

Athletics Present

Crippled Line-Up
Against Senators

Philadelphia, Pa., April 11.—Fine weather favors the opening of the American League baseball championship season at Shibe Park this afternoon, when the world's champions meet the Washington team. There will be the usual opening day formalities, band concert, raising of the American flag, and the throwing out of the first ball by Mayor Blankenburg. The pennants, emblematic of the winning of the American League and world's championships, will be unfurled on different days later in the season.

The Athletics may take the field with two of their stars missing. Baker has a slightly wrenched back, and Lord a bruised wrist. Each team will send a star pitcher into the box.

Tigers Will Play

Cleveland in

Opening Game

Cleveland, O., April 11.—With the thermometer registering 45 degrees this morning, and the weather forecast reading: "Fair and warmer," the American flag, and the throwing out of the first ball by Mayor Blankenburg. The pennants, emblematic of the winning of the American League and world's championships, will be unfurled on different days later in the season.

Both teams in today's contest offer many new faces in their line-ups. Cleveland probably presents the most radical changes, with two outfielders and a first baseman new to the big leagues. In addition Cleveland's manager, Harry Davis, is serving his first season as a major league pilot.

Boston Will Open

With Phillies

Headed By Dooin

Boston, April 11.—Opening day of major league baseball here today provided for a game between the



organized Boston Nationals, under the leadership of "Johnny" Kling, and the Philadelphia Quakers, headed by Charles Dooin. The playing park at the south end grounds has been transformed, and everything was in readiness for the initial contest.

President Thomas J. Lynch, of the National League, has accepted an invitation to be present at the game, and Mayor Fitzgerald agreed to throw the first ball.

Cardinals Open With
Pirates at St. Louis;
Harmon Will Pitch

St. Louis, April 11.—Pittsburg meets St. Louis here today in the first game of the local season. The St. Louis team will begin the season with the same line-up that showed great promise last year. Pitcher Sallee, who was not with the team the latter part of last season, now has charge of the younger pitchers, and Sallee has given his promise to Manager Bresnahan that he will pitch winning ball. Harmon is slated to pitch the opening game for the local team.

Reds and Cubs Are
Trained to Minute
For Opening Clash

Cincinnati, April 11.—With fair weather, it is predicted that the largest crowd that ever witnessed a baseball game in this city will be in attendance at League Park today, to see Cincinnati and Chicago begin the National League season. This is made possible by an enormous grandstand, which was built during the last winter.

With the exception of their leader, Hank O'Day, erstwhile umpire, the Cincinnati team will present practically the same front with which they ended the season last year, while little change will be seen in the Chicago team. Last reports indicate that both teams are in good condition and trained to the minute.

Ed. Walsh Opposes
Pelty in White Sox
Opener at Chicago

Chicago, April 10.—Pitcher Edward Walsh and Catcher Billy Sullivan, veteran battery mates, were selected tonight by Manager Callahan to oppose St. Louis in the opening game of the American League season here tomorrow. Manager Wallace, of St. Louis, plans to use Pitcher Pelty and Catcher Stephens.

Three recruits will appear in the Chicago lineup. Rath will play second base, Weaver shortstop and Mattick right field in place of Matty McIntyre, who has failed to sign a contract. Fair weather is forecast, which is expected to bring a record-breaking crowd. Mayor Carter H. Harrison has promised to pitch the first ball.

ZBYSZKO WINS AGAIN.

[Canadian Press.]

Oklahoma City, Okla., April 11.—Zbyszko, the Polish wrestler, won in straight falls from Ivan Romanoff, won in 29 minutes and 15 seconds, with an arm lock and clutch hold; and the second in 14 minutes and 54 seconds, with a crotch and body hold.

TORONTO CONTINUES
TO WIN BALL GAMES

Manager Kelley Will Sell Pitcher and Catcher to Tri-State Clubs.

Norfolk, Va., April 10.—After today's game with the Norfolk team of the Virginia League, which Toronto won by 10 to 4, Manager Kelley made the first cut in his pitching staff, announcing that Theodore Cather would be offered to some of the Tri-State League clubs. Cather has not shown up to warrant his being tried out further. In addition he is possessed of an appearance of indifference such as characterized the work of Joe Delehanty.

Fielding features were supplied by McConnell and O'Hara. McConnell went back into short right field, and made a dizzy catch off Dodge in the third.

O'Hara relieved Jordan at first base in the sixth, and took all kinds of throws, and batted like a veteran first-sacker. Tim and Bill are dubbed the sore-legged twins, and are dividing the work at the first corner to enable their crippled limbs to improve.

Lester Backman pitched the first five innings, and held the local batters to two hits and two runs. Fischer dropped a third strike, and made a wild heave to Jordan, else only one run would have been scored. Backman was inclined to wildness, but made the ball work nicely, and is about ready to open the season if called upon.

Dick Rudolph twirled the last four innings, and sent the batters back to the bench in order in the sixth, seventh and ninth. In the eighth they reached him for three singles, which earned a run for Norfolk. The locals' other run came home in the fifth when Holly boosted a batter from the first man up, and the batter scored on two infield outs off slow-hit balls.

By innings—

Toronto 12 12 3001—10 13 3
Norfolk 100210010—4 5 2

Batteries: Backman, Rudolph, Wilson and Fischer; Finneran and Cowan

KEELEY GOES TO U. S. LEAGUE.

[Canadian Press.]

Chicago, April 11.—Bert Keesley, former pitcher with the Washington Americans, and later with the Omaha team in the Western League, has been engaged as playing manager by the Chicago Club of the United States League.

FRANKIE BURNS BEAT HAYES.

[Canadian Press.]

Indianapolis, Ind., April 11.—Frankie Burns knew he had had the fight of his life when he shaded Chick Hayes, the local heavyweight, in ten rounds of fast fighting here last night. The Jersey City boy excelled at lightning and landed blow after blow, which Hayes was unable to stop.

Canadian League Gossip

WANT DRAPER BADLY.

Ottawa Journal: The first offer to buy the release of a player to be made by the new Ottawa Baseball Club came in today from the Richmond (Virginia) Club, the offer being made for big Harry Draper, the Petersburg pitcher. They propose to give him with a cash bonus thrown in for the southpaw, which is some tribute to Frank Shaughnessy's ability to pick a ball player. As the Ottawas purchased him for 500 from men, there is no chance of any terms being made with the Richmond people. Draper is a southpaw of ability, and has a spitball that will keep the Canadian League teams guessing when he is on the mound against them. As the Richmond club are in a Class B league, the Virginia league, this helps to show just what kind of ball players are coming north to play with the Ottawas in the initial season.

Draper is now at Wichita, Va., but will be in Chatham on the 29th to report. Robert Anderson wants to come up and play with the Ottawas, and has asked for a contract. On looking at Robert's record it was found that he had played ball in the minor leagues for some time back, and that he would hardly stack up to Frank Shaughnessy's idea of a young ball player.

YES, HOW ABOUT IT?

Ottawa Journal: When a Peterboro fan wrote in to one of the papers in that town suggesting that the ball club be called the "Yankees," he hit a spot that is somewhat tender to many of the Canadian rooters. Of



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AMERICAN ASSN.
OPENS THE SEASON

Large Attendance at Opening Games In the Different Cities.

GAMES WERE ALL CLOSE

St. Paul and Indianapolis Play a Ten-Innings Game—Columbus Beat Kansas City.

Indianapolis, April 10.—St. Paul tied the score in the ninth with two runs and won the opening game of the American Association season from Indianapolis here today in the tenth, when Riggert tripled and came in on Goodman's fly out. The locals pounded Karger for five runs in the second, but Dauss, who went in in the third, held the Indians scoreless the remainder of the game. The attendance was one of the largest on record for an opening day here. Mayor Shank, who was scheduled to toss the first ball, pitched up a potato instead. Score:

R. H. E.
St. Paul 7 13 1
Indianapolis 6 10 0

Batteries—Karger, Dauss, Murray and Block; Mers and Pearce. Umpires—Bierhalter and Connolly.

Columbus, April 10.—Columbus came from far behind in today's opening game with Kansas City and won by 10 to 3. Four hits, followed by four bases on balls, tied the score in the sixth. McQuillan, who replaced Cook and checked the Kansas City lineup, sent the winning run in the eighth on a two-bagger, Shelton's safe bunt and Hinchman's sacrifice fly. Love and Manager Carr, of Kansas City, did the cleanest hitting. Gerdie, O'Rourke and Oyster led in fielding. The score:

R. H. E.
Columbus 10 11 2
Kansas City 3 12 3

Batteries—Cook, McQuillan and Smith; Rhoades, Maddox and O'Connor. Umpires—Ferguson and Handberg.

Toledo, O., April 11.—Before the largest crowd that was ever seated in Swayne Field, Toledo defeated the Milwaukee club, 6 to 5, in the most exciting opening game ever seen here. After the contest had seen-sawed up and down for eight innings, Griggs singled in the ninth, driving in Flick with the winning run. Chapman was the sensation of the game, securing three hits, handling eight chances, and stealing two bases, stealing home in the sixth inning and tying up the score. Five pitchers were used in the contest, Milwaukee sending Horvik, Nicholson and Anderson to the mound, while Falkenberg and James were the Toledo hurlers. Duffy used 15 men in his lineup. Score:

R. H. E.
Toledo 6 14 0
Milwaukee 5 10 3

Batteries—Falkenberg, James and Carlsch; Havlik, Nicholson, Anderson and Marshall. Umpires—Hayes and Irwin.

At Louisville—R. H. E.
Minneapolis 6 10 3
Louisville 4 9 2

Batteries—Olmshead and Owen; Landermilk and Schiel.

Winners of the Tri-County League Championship



LONDON COLLEGIATE HOCKEY TEAM.

Top Row (reading from left to right)—E. H. Braund, secretary-treasurer; H. McCrimmon, right wing; F. Matthews, executive; J. Ross, rover.
Bottom row—C. McQueen, cover; R. Wright, goal (in anger); G. MacRoberts, point (captain); C. Slater, centre; R. Kingswood, left wing.

ROYAL PRIZES FOR
OLYMPIC WINNERS

Cups Are Given By European Rulers For New Events.

THE STADIUM DESCRIBED

Room for 25,000 Spectators in the Arena—Keen International Rivalry in the Contests.

London, April 11.—The programme for the Stockholm Olympic games, June 29 to July 22, contains ten new events for which cups have been presented by the King of Sweden, the Czar, the Kaiser, the Emperor of Austria, the King of Italy, Count Goza Andrássy, Countess de Casa Miranda, the city of Budapest and Baron Pierre de Conberth, president of the International Olympic committee.

The Stockholm stadium is constructed of gray violet Swedish brick and undressed granite. It has accommodation for 25,000 spectators, and has cost \$250,000. It is built in the shape of a horseshoe magnet.

The arena, only is open to the sky. The two arms of the building rest against a rocky slope at the north, being built into the hill by two watch towers, behind which lie the administrative buildings on the flanks of the sloping background. Under the amphitheatre are the royal foyer, the dressing rooms, shower baths, promenade, arcades, etc.

The arena contains a football field, places for the jumping and throwing competitions, with, round all these, a track the inner circumference of which measures 383 meters. During the winter the arena can be used as a skating rink.

The composition of the building is a modern, independent organic development of early medieval Swedish architecture. Round the southern end runs an outer open arcade looking toward the park. Its centreforce is crowned by granite blocks intended for sculptured figures, a cyclone of thirty erect figures in life size.

The eight sidewalks are flanked in pairs by similar blocks. On the great eastern tower there is an immense block of black hammered iron, with two granite figures representing the horse and rider of human beings belonging to northern mythology, Ask and Embla.

There are altogether twenty competitions for challenge cups, divided as follows: Athletics, 4; wrestling, 1; horse riding, 5; modern pentathlon (duel pistol shooting, swimming, fencing, riding, and cross-country race), 1; rowing, 1; swimming, 1; shooting, 1; yachting, 1.

Keen international rivalry is assured in all these varied contests. Great Britain furnishes the holders of four (association football, rowing, yachting and swimming); the United States, two (marathon race and throwing the discus); Canada, one (shooting); Hungary, one (wrestling); Italy, one (gymnastics); and France, one (fencing, team competition, epee).

YOUNG FIGHTER INJURED.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, April 11.—An hour or more after being beaten by a Chicago youth, whose identity the police did not learn, in a preliminary bout at the Sharkey A. C., last night, John Goldberg, aged 21 years, fell into a coma, and was removed to the Flower Hospital in a serious condition. It was believed that he is suffering either from a fractured skull or a blood clot on the brain.

Ed A. Freer has a 3-year-old pacer at Birmingham that he is going to put for the Michigan breeders' stake. Word from E. J. Goyt, of Williamson is to the effect that he will have a starter in one of the 3-year-old Michigan stakes in the fall.

NOMINATION ENTRIES FOR
LONDON RACES ANNOUNCED

Each Event Has Large Number of Entries—Many Prominent Owners.

The nomination entries for the London races in July have been announced. The list is a large one and contains the names of some of the best-known horse owners in Canada and the States. The list is as follows:

2:30 Pace—\$1,000.
T. H. Brownlee, Ottawa, Ont.
C. H. Black, Bellwood, Ont.
C. E. Fisk, Springfield, Mass.

George Zeith, Howell, Mich.
Charles Barrett, Parkhill, Ont.
D. Smith, Stratford, Ont.
P. J. McAvoy, London, Ont.
T. G. Willis, Wellboro, Pa.
D. W. Henry, Springfield, Ont.
F. W. Enricken, Tavistock, Ont.
S. A. Proctor, Toronto, Ont.

A. C. Leaky, St. Thomas, Ont.
Geo. E. Everett, Simcoe, Ont.
W. R. Fleming, Worcester, Mass.
E. P. Stevens, Montreal, Que.
2:14 Pace—\$1,000.

John E. Connelly, Saginaw, Mich.
J. W. Miller, Howell, Mich.
James Wellwood, Merion, Ont.
T. G. Willis, Wellboro, Pa.

A. C. Leaky, St. Thomas, Ont.
Geo. A. Freeman, Buffalo, N. Y.
Carl H. Webber, Yonkers, N. Y.
W. P. Merrill, Altoona, Pa.
J. Rombough, Toronto, Ont.

WRESTLING MATCH

WAS REALLY A FIGHT

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, April 11.—The lovers of those biting, scratching and mauling competitions that the matches at Sohier Park have degenerated into this season, when last night John Percel, the Italian heavyweight, met Ray-Casseaux, the French grappler.

The two struggled for three-quarters of an hour, the Italian using his teeth and nails to great advantage on Casseaux, who looked at the conclusion of the melee as if he had been trying to take a fall out of a wild cat.

The Frenchman also contributed some rough stuff to the evening's performance by pulling a large piece of Percel's ear off and poking his finger in the Italian's optic several times.

The two men got absolutely beyond control on one occasion, and stood up for several moments and exchanged haymakers that fortunately were wild, or it would have been the duty of the Montreal scribes to write up the obituary notices of the wrestlers.

Percel at another time, after receiving an artistic jab in the eye from Casseaux, staggered around in a blind fashion and finally put the referee on the mat and had applied a fine two

Nat Ray, Toronto, for R. Balrd, of Hamilton.

O. B. Sheppard, Toronto, Ont.
C. W. Charlton, Springfield, Ont.
W. R. Fleming, Worcester, Mass.
E. P. Stevens, Montreal, Que.

2:10 Pace—\$1,000.
L. J. Freuhaut, Detroit, Mich.
Geo. Zeith, Howell, Mich.
W. J. Miller, Howell, Mich.

James McDowell, Toronto, Pa.
T. G. Willis, Wellboro, Pa.
J. C. Ward, Toronto, Ont.
W. W. Brigham, Ryckman's Corners, Ont.
E. C. Lewis, Port Arthur, Ont.

W. H. Kern, Detroit, Mich.
W. M. O'Connell, Sheffield, Mass.
Wm. T. Webber, Rochester, N. Y.
J. E. Gray, Toronto, Ont.
2:30 Trot—\$1,000.

Fred P. Bradford, Boston, Mass.
W. H. Kern, Detroit, Mich.
Geo. Zeith, Howell, Mich.
A. C. Leaky, St. Thomas, Ont.
A. Patterson, Wingham, Ont.

Fred J. Ryan, Toronto, Ont.
R. McArdie, Stratford, Ont.
E. R. Johnston, Springfield, Ont.
W. A. Collins, Sunderland, Ont.

J. E. Gray, Toronto, Ont.
George Campbell, London, Ont.
W. R. Fleming, Worcester, Mass.
E. C. Lewis, Port Arthur, Ont.
E. P. Stevens, Montreal, Quebec.

M. Sheridan, Toronto.

In addition to the above races, the London association will put on the following classes: 2:22 pace, 2:19 pace, free-for-all pace, 2:20 trot, 2:17 trot, 2:12 trot. Three seconds allowed off mile track records. There will be a run each day, to which entry will be free and nothing deducted from winners.

Alma Smiedley, owned by Miss Viola Allen, the actress, is to be named by Lon McDonald in the M. and M. She has beaten 2:10 in her work and has been well educated.

Murphy's reliance for the M. and M. is reported to be Queen Worthy, a mare only 6 years of age, but the dam of two foals. Murphy searched her last season and thinks she will do.

The Indiana fair will stick to the American Trotting Association.

Bert Shank wintered 40 head and will train about 15 of them for the races this year.

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