* IN THE WIDE WORLD OF SPORT *

Well-Written and Breezy Gossip

Y. M. C. A. Basketball Schedule

The schedule for the intermediate basketball at the Y. M. C. A. has been arranged. Twenty-four games will be played, and two contests will be held each

evening. Jan. 6-6:30 p.m., Growlers vs. Beavers. 7:00, Tigers vs. Shamrocks. Jan. 13-6:30 p.m., Tigers vs. Growlers; 7:00 p.m., Shamrocks vs. Beavers. Jan. 20-6:30 p.m., Beavers vs. Tigers; 7:00 p.m., Growlers vs. Shamrocks.

Feb. 3.-6:30, Tigers vs. Shamrocks; 7:00, Growlers vs. Beavers. Feb. 10.-6:30, Shamrocks vs. Beavers; 7:00, Tigers vs. Growlers. Feb. 17.-6:30, Growlers vs. Shamrocks; 7:00, Beavers vs. Tigers. Feb. 24.-6:30, Growlers vs. Beavers; 7:00, Tigers vs. Shamrocks. Mar. 2.-6:30, Tigers vs. Growlers; 7:00, Shamrocks vs. Beavers. Mar. 9.-6:30, Beavers vs. Tigers; 7:00, Growlers vs. Shamrocks. Mar. 16.-6:30, Tigers vs. Shamrocks; 7:00, Growlers vs. Beavers.

Mar. 23.-6:30, Shamrocks vs. Beavers; 7:00, Tigers vs. Growlers.

Mar. 30.-6:30. Growlers vs. Shamrocks; 7:00, Beavers vs. Tigers,

SPORTING GOSSIP BY SOUTHPAW

EVERYBODY WILL BE HEADED for the Princess Ice Palace tonight. The locals may sizzle the Pan-Drieds, and they may not, but the loyal London rooters will be on hand, nevertheless, to root for a home victory.

ALL THE CITY LEAGUE HICKEY TEAMS have sent in forfeits and entrance money, and the secretaries have all been provided with contract

Secretaries are requested to send in filled-out contracts before Saturday night in order that membership tickets may be issued.

There is every reason to believe that the season of 1908 will be the most successful in the history of City League hockey. Of course, there is opposition by way of the O. H. A. games, but this

should be offset by the central position of the Princess rink.

ON THE 9TH OF THIS MONTH Laurence Lucas, the well-known local roller-skater, will meet Roy Hardy, champion of Toronto, in a mile match race at the Jubilee rink.

George Crispin has taken Lucas under his wing, and the latter should be in the best of trim on the date of the race. Lucas is fast at the distance, and Hardy will know he was skating if he

ON THE 24TH OF FEBRUARY two teams of bowlers will be sent from this city to compete in the big tournament at Toronto. All of which means that if the locals are working in ship-shape form

there will be another championship landed for London. NED HANLAN, THE EX-CHAMPION OF THE WORLD, who was last night "given up" by the doctors in attendance, won his first championship race in Hamilton, on Burlington Bay. That was in 1874, when he was 18 years of age. He repeated the performance at Toronto in the following

across the sculling sky, and at 20 years of age he beat 15 of the picked scullers of the world for what was called the "World's Championship," and at the same time set a new mark for the world for three miles, 21:01. Hanlon held the championship of Canada from 1877, the championship of America from 1878, the championship of England from 1879, and that of

wasi n 1876, at the Centennial at Philadelphia, that the meteor first shot

AN EXCHANGE SAYS that the Guelph plan of putting a doctor in with the visiting hockey umpire after the latter had awarded a goal to Berlin, and been therefore jabbed in the stomach with the butt end of a stick, shows what a businesslike view they take of things in the professional league, and how readily the opportunity is accepted to improve the rules. The "associate umpire" is right on the spot to see that the regular man makes no decisions likely to cause peevishness among the supporters of the home team. If, however, he should be so reckless as to give a goal for the visitors, why, medical attendance is at hand immediately. Oh, they"re eminently practical, these professional leaguers.

AFTER DUE CONSIDERATION it has been decided not to limit the number of players to be signed by a City League team. However, a player who has signed with one team will not be at liberty to jump his contract and Yesterday Mr. F. W. Martin, the referee eree F. W. Martin, John W. King, C. play with another City League team. The player must first procure his release from the team he signed with before he can play with another. Last year there was a rule to the effect that a player playing two games

could demand his release. Whether or not this rule will still apply will be determined later. It is practically certain that the first game will take place Monday

McCoy's Ruse Defeated Famous French Savate

France, says Robert Edgren in the against the fist. New York World. A few years ago thing to strike a blow with the fist, up to the Frenchman and street, the first kick lightly. As the frog-cater even when it was covered with a pad- followed with another McCoy slipped ded glove. Kicking, although ten out of range and dropped his hands times as dangerous, was regarded as Then he looked over the Frenchman's a gentlemanly accomplishment.

Co to date the English boxers have later he woke up. had a monopoly of the game in that Pat O'Keefe himself claims him the champion of France. Frank Erne is just starting as manager of a large boxing club in Paris. Soon the sport will be booming.

Kid Lavigne had a boxing school in educating the French people up to the fine points of the fistic art.

The First American.

Kid McCoy was really the first And the next day McCoy blew American to show what could be done tew hundred more at the races. with the padded fist. The Kld was in Paris a few years ago enjoying himhad kicked several of the slow English pugs into a state of unconscious-He was a popular champion. The French promoters, hearing of

All Paris was there to see an Amerihanded out to all English aspirants. In 1902 97 per cent used electric power. particularly good and willing fighter, but

Poxing has taken a great hold in All Paris was anxious to back the to Sidestepped Lightly.

When the bell rang McCoy walked up to the Frenchman and sidestepped head and laughed. The Frenchman balanced and fairly even class in pugilism glanced up to see what McCoy was today, is the statement brought out by Now Paris has several boxing clubs. looking at. . . . About half an hour

people at the ringside didn't realize fore he left for Wisconsin for a hunting myself out thoroughly and ought to know owns a large silk banner that pro- that McCoy had slipped in a "cork- trip. The class referred to is the middle- and I will be ready." screw punch" until he was out of the weight divisoiu. In it, Ryan says, there and I will be ready." ring and headed for his dressing-room. are four fighters, excepting himself, who Then there was a chorus of screams are pronounced strong candidates for the and shrieks and sobs from the crowd. title If those French sports could have laid Ryan names the men, and gives his rea-Paris for a couple of years, and Frank hands on the foxy Kid at that mo-Erne worked with him for a while, ment they would have scratched his eyes out. They piled into the ring and wept over their unconscious cham-

And the next day McCoy blew in a Pat O'Keefe and Willie Lewis won't have to fight savate experts if they go which never were witnessed before. self. At that time there was a great over to Paris now. Paris is becoming French savate champion. This civilized. The thud of the padded Frenchman, with gloves on his hands glove has taken the place of the heel and chamois skin soles on his shoes, and toe work. If Erne's club is a suc- is well and evenly balanced, the only one pionships pulled off in France.

The first electric roads were opened McCoy's skill with the gloves, offered in 1889 in Richmond, Va.; Allegheny, that would send the fighting bugs into him a match with the savate expert, Pa., and Washington, D. C. In 1902, the spasms of delight. Here is the way I will total number of lines in the United McCoy and the Frenchman met in States was 797, with a mileage of 22,- greatest fighters that ever lived, and the ring. The pavilion where the 577 miles. In 1890 there were only probably the hardest man in the ring to fight was held was packed to the doors. 8,123 miles of street railroads, of which ran get the same dose that had been seven-tenths still used animal power.

London and Pan Drieds Clash Tonight SEMI-READY OVERCOAT SALE For Winter Season Arranged In First Game of the O. H. A. Series

> Local Seven in Good Shape To Tackle Fast Tillsonburg

> > Team.

Goal-Jimmy Reynolds. Point Albert Carrothers. Coverpoint-J. Thompson. Left Wing-Grant Fetterly. Right Wing-Jimmy Carrothers. Center-George Powell. Rover—Hank Wagner. Referee-Harry Peel.

The above line-up represents the which will meet the Tillsonburg "Pan- placed. Drieds" tonight at the Princess Ice Palace, in the opening game of the

might be owing to the enforced absence of Capt. Jack Abram.

Some surprise was manifested when it was learned that Jimmy Reynolds and follows the puck in nice style. shown the steadiness that Pearson has up the best they have. and has not always been as particular about his condition.

Pearson will try his hand at Ingersoll failure of a season is generally judged. next Tuesday. The man who shows up best will get the place.

Everybody knows what a worker tonight. 'Crow" Carrothers is at point.

"Hank" Wagner is another hustler of the "get-there" type. At cover point, Thompson will un-

doubted deliver the goods. Thompson is dell known as a city league baseball twirler, and for his clever work on the Woodstock hockey teams Conservative critics about the city who have seen him perform on the ice say that he is a whirlwind.

Grant Fetterly, while not a worldbeater, will very likely do. He has had considerable experience in Cornwall and other places and should know the game. If Jimmy Carrothers makes up his

mind to play hockey and forget some personnel of the London O. H. A. team right. If he don't, he should be reof his old tricks, he will get along all There need be little said about dim-

inutive George Powell. He is aggres-The team will not be as strong as it his head, besides keeping himself in Peel, as referee, will give satisfaction beyond a doubt. He is impartial

to Homer Pearson. Reynolds is a good boy when he is right, but has not at hand, but they will certainly put A good crowd is hoped for at the opening games, for it is by the early Says That Longboat's Boston sional. I would like to meet him from season growds that the success or Says That Longboat's Boston sional. I would like to meet him from the success of the success Reynolds will play tonight, and season crowds that the success

> The ice at the Palace last night was thin, but it will be in shape for Here's hoping for a London victory



EX-WORLD'S CHAMPION SCULLER, EDWARD HANLAN, WHO

MIX-UP AT ST. KITTS OVER COLEY ENTRIES FOR HIM FROM TWO CLUBS ber of athletes who took part in the Olympic games at Athens, have made the situ-

little mix-up at St. Kitts Tuesday over ing. Tom Coley's entry in the Martin Electric road race. Coley has been a mem- was asked. ber of the Toronto Irish-Canadians "The I. C. A. C. of course," since June, and a couple of weeks ago Coley. "That is my club. Why?" when the English boys of St. Kitts "I thought you were an English Club formed an athletic club, called the man," said the official, and he ex-English Athletic Club, he joined, just plianed the situation. to be one of the boys. In making their list of entries the English Athletic little Hercules, as he opened his grip The controversy is the main topic of conbut the road race people, wishing to his knickers.

have a local club member win it, took! The race was a huge success. Coley's English Athletic Club entry. was managed in superb style by Ref-A. C. colors or be suspended. Matter Settled.

Coley arrived in St. Catharines from good,

Toronto, Jan. 2.-There was a neat Thorold, where he had been holiday-

"Does this look like it?" said

Club people included Coley's name. His and showed his jersey with the maple entry also came in in the usual way leaf and harp, the I. C. A. C. crest, with the official Irish-Canadian list, and the orange and green stripes on

heard that the mix-up might cause Donnelly, H. W. Hodgins, John M. Coley's suspension under a C. A. A. U. Cameron, George A. Tossy. Starter rule governing such matters, so he Southcott sent the men away promptcalled up C. A. A. U. authorities. They ly, the course was kept clear by autotold him that Coley must run in I. C. mobiles, and every point was patrolled by judges. About 10,000 people saw the race, which was the fifth of its The whole matter was settled when history. The prizes were unusually

Rivalry Among Middleweights Five "Huskies" Ready for Battle

Tommy Ryan Talks of Possible one who will have to fight more aggressive Future Opponents in

the Ring.

New York, Jan. 1.-There is but one well-Tommy Ryan, one of the leading fighters It all happened so quickly that the of the day, in a statement made just be-

> sons for thinking they are powerful fight again when offered a purse. Rvan talks as follows:

> "If the middle-weight fighters of the present day can be brought together in a series of fights to decide the ownership of the title I claim to hold, the American people will see some fights the like of Evenly Balanced.

"The middle-weight division today is the only one in the entire pugilistic game that cess we may hear of world's cham- over which there is constantly hovering some doubt and guesswork. "Just look at the array of high grade

fighters that could be thrown into a tourhave to place them: "1. Jack (Twin') Sullivan, one of the

hands off this baldheaded chap. "2. Hugo Kelly, the Chicago Italian, a

ly to become a real popular idol. "3. Bily Papke, the Spring Valley wonder, of whom I have heard much but know little. But he is a great man, and coming so strong that he commands instant at as the National commission, according

drawing with and then twice beating Joe Thomas out on the Pacific coast. "As for Tommy Ryan, you will ask Well, I'm in the market for a fight. I'm not too old, I'm as good as I ever was, my life has been blameless. I have tried

POLE-VAULTER ALLEN TO GO AFTER RECORD VANCOUVER WANTS

Toronto, Jan. 2.-Claude Allen, the Irish-American great pole vaulter, who wrote the other day saying that he was coming to Toronto to search for work, arrived from Olean, N. Y., at

"I am a member of the Irish-Cana- the Vancouver Baseball Club, asking have a couple of weeks' start on the dian Athletic Club, and have been since him to recommend a good ball player, July, when I was here before, and if I Canadian preferred, who would be can get anything to do here I will capable of acting as manager in the stay here and compete for them," said people are willing to pay a good salary Allen this morning. "I am vaulting to the right man, and in addition of-12 feet 3 right along, and this year fer a bonus of \$800 for a winning team, feel confident of breaking the world's \$500 if the nine finished in second five years ago was submitted to the record of 12 feet 5. I have done it place, and \$300 for third place. Mr.

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reflected seriously on American athletics ing his side of his controversy with a numand athletes ber of athletes who took part in the Olym-Will Take Matter Up. Unless the controversy is amicably set-

ation more serious than ever. It is said that Ray C. Ewry, the jumper, who is accused by Halpin of professionalism, will will take the matter up. So far, it is C. be called before the registration committee to show cause why he should not be

Halpin will be called upon to substantiate his charges. Took Part In Circuses. Halpin states that Ewry has taken part in contests in circuses, and at meets not ing the controversy closely, and it is said sanctioned by the Amateur Athletic Union.

Run Was Most Phenome-

nal Feat.

At last Alfred Shrubb has com-

on April 19 last at Boston, was the onds.

has been or will be declared a profes- inconsequential."

ning feat of the year, he said:

disqualified on Halpin's charges, and that

versation around the athletic clubs, and committee a team composed of the strongthere seems to be a disposition on the est college athletes in the country for the part of many to attempt to bring it to an London competitions.

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Shrubb's Press Agent Loose Again

menced to talk rationally about Tom ranks because of his performance in

Longboat. Asked by a New York paper the intercollegiate mile run, which he

heard of. Personally I did not see the runner of the University of Pennsyl-

race, but from all laws of average the vania, run the quarter, but I under-

Indian's time for 25 miles over the stand that his best time for the 440

fort. Just think, 25 miles over muddy consider that there are Englishmen

roads in 2 hours, 24 minutes and 2 4-5 that have done as well on a turf track

do not want to vouchsafe any opinion and established a world's record of 47

as to what I could do, but I know that seconds flat, where are the runners at?

the youth from Canada would make Garrell's time in the hurdles in the in-

me run. I understood that Longboat tercollegiate meet was wonderful, but

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a distance of one mile to fifty.

Guy Haskins Promising.

that the performance of Guy Haskins,

of the University of Pennsylvania, was

the most promising in the amateur

"Coming to the amateurs, I believe

tled, it is not improbable that the general the fund to pay the expenses of an Ameri-

can team at the games next summer, and the arguments among the present athletes, dozens of whom are seeking the newspapers with their troubles, will not aid n the collection of money for the team. In the meantime college men are watch that preparations are now under way to raise a fund and offer to the American

President Powers Resents Action Of the Major Ball Leagues

the action of the National commission, the supreme court of professional baseball, again threatens to disturb the peace of the various leagues. The National Association of Minor Leagues is stirred from the president ing to do the same thing right now, to the lowest director of class E over and I will have the indorsement of what is termed the presumption of the the leagues which are behind me.

Recently the National commission announced that certain rules had been the major leagues desire to force isamended in regard to the drafting of sues, the National Association will not

Patrick T. Powers, president of the National Association, says that he will not agree to sign any tripartite agreement relating to the proposed changes, thing of the kind, but we are ready if sweet cider, which canto him, has gone out of its jurisdiction rights must be respected." "4. Billy Ketchell, the young Michigan to change rules which it had no right man, who sprang into such prominence by to modify without consulting his asso-

Ready to Fight.

"The National agreement," said Mr. Powers. submit to nothing which the major body shall be known."

New York, Jan. 3.-Resentment at leagues attempt to jam through without reference to the rights of the minor

leagues. "If they are ready to throw the gauntlet down to the minor leagues, let them bear in mind that I am will-

Desire to Force Issue. "More than that, I will say that is

players by the major league from the refuse to pull out of the National agreement and operate on its own account, regardless of other baseball organizations. I don't say that the National Association desires to do any- with less alcohol than the worst comes to the worst. Our not ferment in the stom

"The board of the National Association will have a meeting next week. We are going to know where we stand. We are going to have our rights con- A L E S sulted by the two major leagues that "signed by the National are a party to the National agreement League, the American League and the with us, or we are going on some other National Association, says that all tack. Sooner or later this stand had rank above milk as an amendments shall be mutually agreed to be taken, and we might as well have item of diet, and are far upon by representatives of the three it settled as quickly as possible, in or-

CANADIAN MANAGER At this meeting both the Eastern process, and this makes porter so nourishing that it is a real specific for

Toronto, Jan. 3. - President J. J. Northwestern League. The Vancouver McCaffery will recommend several

Joe Kelley Coming. "King Kel" will arrive in town on Jan. 10 for a short visit.

The National Association will der that the exact position of every Ed. Hanlan, of Baltimore, will repre sent the Eastern League at the meeting of the national baseball commission in Cincinnati on Jan. 6.

resentatives will press for a change in accemic and run-down almost every the drafting and farming rules. Both people, leagues are very much opposed to noon today. He is at the Grand Cen- McCaffrey, of the Toronto Ball Club, lowed to start drafting the same time farming, and will ask that they be all STOUT has received a communication from as the major leagues, which at present is the richest and most

> There is pending in the French Pariament a bill providing for old age pensions to railroad workpeople. This bill was introduced ten years ago, and president of the senate. In order to hurry him up a little on June 8 last 400,000 postcards were addressed to him by as many railroad men in all parts of France, asking his early at-Messrs. Jacob Stein, of Buffalo, and tention to the matter.

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went skyward last evening when

what he considered the greatest run- won in 4 minutes, 20 3-5 seconds, and Watterworth's Challengers met and after resting with his running togs on were defeated by the Champions by a "In my estimation the performance for less than an hour he captured the small margin. of the Canadian Indian, Tom Longboat, half-mile run in 1 minutes, 57 4-5 sec-No less than four trundlers went most remarkable feat I have ever "I have not seen Taylor, the negro

over the 200 mark, and two of them went over 230. Watterworth econd game, and 224 in the fourth. road appears to be a superhuman ef- yards is 48 4-5 seconds; but when you Alf. Sheere, too, was in great form

and took high individual score with 235, and high aggregate with 793 for seconds. That is faster than a horse and that Maxey Long vanquished the four games. can go. From my own standpoint, I best amateurs we had at the distance The Champions now lead the Chal-

lengers by over 250 points. Three series yet remain to be played. These contests begin next week. The contests are arousing no end of interest and large galleries witness the

battles.

They Want Halpin To Shut Up Challengers. Lackie168 171 149 169- 657 New York, Jan. 3.—The charges made by end without further publicity, as it is Scott 181 176 167 164— 688 Finchamp ...151 - 153 104 161- 619 Matthew P. Halpin, in his statement giv. recognized that the trouble already has Watterworth 165 232 165 224 786

821 945 782 884-3,432 Champions. Primeau177 182 152 184- 695 committee of the London Olympic games B. Connelly 191 182 219 176- 768 Sheere .151 189 176 169- 685 stated, only \$100 has been contributed to A. Sheere . .188 187 235 183- 793

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WOODSTOCK TO PLAY Y. M. C. A. MIDGETS

Unless something goes wrong the prides of Woodstock in the basketball ine will be seen in action here Tuesday night next, when they are booked to meet the Midgets of Y. M. C. A.

Mel. Brock, the clever captain of the tiny ones, has done wonders with the Midgets, and today they are about as good as they make them.

Brock has been in charge of the juniors at the local Y. M. C. A. for several months now, and he has done wonders with them.

John Townsend Trowbride, the only living member of New England's famous group of authors and poets, which included Longfellow, Whittier, Emerson, Holmes and Lowell, observed the 80th anniversary of his birth recently at his home in Arlington, Mass.

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