

THE EVENING TIMES, ST. JOHN, N. B., FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 1905

## In the Sporting World.

### NEW BASEBALL TEAM WAS ORGANIZED LAST NIGHT.

Joe Page Completes Arrangements to Place a Fine Line Up in the Field For St. John--Prospects For a League--General Sporting News.

#### BASEBALL.

##### The New Team Formed.

As a result of a meeting held at Hotel Dufferin, last night, Manager Joe Page of last year's Parham, Quebec team, in the Canadian Eastern League, practically completed the organization of the new baseball team which will represent St. John, on the diamond this year.

When it was announced that Mr. Page would have a team in St. John this year, which would be composed of local players, the news aroused much interest in base ball circles, and a number of applications for positions on the team were forwarded to him. By a process of careful selection, he finally picked what he considers to be the fastest fielding team that has represented St. John for a long time, and one that on form should have a team batting average of better than .300.

The line-up will, as far as known, now be as follows, the following players having been signed by the new team:

Catcher, Mills; pitchers, McEachern and Nisbett; first base, Gaten; second base, McGuigan; shortstop, Tompkins; third base, Howe; with Woods, Oregon and Cooper in the outfield. With the exception of Howe and Tompkins all the players are very well known here. Howe is a new man, who has not been seen to any extent in senior company, but those who have seen him work out, say he is a power and will certainly make good. Tompkins was the star shortstop of the Canadian Eastern League last season. He has a very high fielding average and last year batted for the season at .311. Options have been secured on the services of several other players, who will act as a reserve.

The team will start practice as soon as the weather permits and will be in position to put up a big-gelbed ball by May 24.

Following the formation of the team here comes the news that an effort will be made to establish a league, with several New Brunswick and Nova Scotia towns as contestants. St. John will probably enter two teams, while in Moncton, Fredericton the plan has been received with considerable enthusiasm. Halifax is also anxious to enter such a league and their entry would be hailed with delight in St. John. There is material for two good teams in the city and it is more than probable they will be represented by a strong aggregation.

Altogether the prospects for a first-class baseball season in St. John look brighter than for some time.

#### Fred Yapp.

Fred Yapp, who used to pitch for the St. John Alerts and now goes under the name of Mitchell, will be with the Brooklyn National League club this season. Sporting Life, the great baseball journal, says: "Pitcher Fred Mitchell is in first-class health, and feels confident of his ability to make good in coming seasons. He has acquired considerable aptitude with the spit ball."

#### YACHTING.

New York Club Cruise.

New York, March 23.—The annual cruise of the New York Yacht Club will begin Aug. 10, when the yacht "Severe Chest Colds" will begin Aug. 10, when the yacht "And Painful Coughs" will begin Aug. 10, when the yacht "Demand Prompt and Active Treatment" will begin Aug. 10, when the yacht "The great danger in troubles of this class is 'delay.'" will begin Aug. 10, when the yacht "Don't neglect a Cough or Cold, it can have but one result. It leaves the throat or lungs, or both, affected—Bronchitis, Pneumonia, Asthma, Catarrh and Consumption will surely follow the neglect to cure." will begin Aug. 10, when the yacht "The first dose of" will begin Aug. 10, when the yacht "DR. WOOD'S NORWAY PINE SYRUP" will begin Aug. 10, when the yacht "will ease the cough, soothe the inflamed throat and loosen the phlegm." will begin Aug. 10, when the yacht "Mr. Joseph Parside, Blackwell, Ont., writes—I had such a bad cold I could hardly breathe. I noticed Dr. Wood's Norway Pine Syrup advertised, so had my husband get me two bottles—I had only used one before I was cured. I recommended it to a friend, and two bottles cured her after other remedies had failed—we both keep it in the house now and would not be without it. It is the best cough medicine I have ever taken." will begin Aug. 10, when the yacht "Price 25 cents per bottle." will begin Aug. 10, when the yacht "The Amherst Telegram commenting on the recent game, and Laidlaw says:—The manifold contradictions and errors in the Transcript's report indicate that it was written either by a novice or by one with a hopelessly perverted mind. We are told that the reason for Moncton's sudden developed admiration for Laidlaw, is that the Moncton hockeyists are desirous of securing his services for next year."

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will meet at Morris Cove. On Aug. 11, they will leave Morris Cove; on the 12th they will be at New London where they will remain over Sunday. On the 14th they will be at Newport and on the 15th the Astor cups will be raced for. On Aug. 16th they will be at Vineyard Haven, and on the 17th will sail from Vineyard Haven to Marble Head, where they will lay over Sunday, and on Monday will sail for St. John, where they will arrive on Tuesday. On Monday night, the open regatta of the Boat-yacht club will take place. On Aug. 22, the fleet will disband.

#### THE RING.

A Draw Fight.

North Abington, Mass., March 23.—Young Quill and James Hanlon, both of Boston, boxed 13 rounds to a draw before the only Social Athletic Club here tonight.

#### CHECKERS.

British Still Leading.

Boston, March 23.—Today's play in the international checker tournament resulted in the British visitors' further increase of their lead over the American hosts. Bill of the American team, scored the only two wins made by the Americans today, but in the evening series he was defeated once by Hynd.

The feature was the defeat of Baxter, the American champion by Ferrie, former world's champion, this afternoon.

Today's winners were Hill (Amn.), two games, and Stewart, Ferrie, R. Jordan, Hynd, Gardner and Sea-right, all British, one each.

Eight day's score: British 6; Americans 2; drawn 33.

Total score: British 57; Americans 28; drawn 285.

#### THE TURF.

Races at Malind.

Malind, March 19.—We had our annual ice meeting on the kite track here on the 19th and had about 500 present. The ice was perfect and the day fine. Our old veteran friend, David Bell, acted as starter and gave general satisfaction to all.

The first race was the five-for-all, in which four good horses responded to the bell. Fitzsimmons, owned by Capt. W. Laurence, of Malind; Simcoe, owned by Sam Cook, Shubenacadie; Lady Parkside, owned by Gil-McGillivray, South Malind; and Sea Weed, owned by John Cox, Shubenacadie. Fitzsimmons won in a straight heat making a good fight for 2nd place.

The next was a three-minute race, in which four horses started. Lady Sherman, owned by John Henniger, of Seal; Jean Byers, owned by John McLeod, of Malind; and Sea Weed, owned by Wm. Anthony, of Seal. Lady Sherman won in straight heats with speed to spare.

#### Free-For-All.

Fitzsimmons, 1 1 1  
Simcoe, 2 2 2  
Lady Parkside, 4 3 3  
Sea Weed, 3 4 4

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#### HOCKEY.

Kicking Again.

At the Arctic rink, Fredericton the Trojans defeated the Creosents of Marysville, N. B., last night.

At the end of half-time the score stood 1 to 0 in favor of Fredericton. The Creosents refused to continue play because of misunderstanding with Manager Hanson, one of the financiers, and quit the ice. The game was awarded to the Trojans.

The match ended in a fiasco. Marysville refusing to play out the game after half-time unless their share of the receipts was handed over. Manager Hanson was not in the rink and in consequence of the game being abandoned the crowd became unruly and demanded their money back. This was not forthcoming and they proceeded to break the windows and lamps.

There was considerable disorder for a time, but eventually matters quieted down.

The Trojans claim that last winter they were bluffed out of their money on one occasion and they had no desire for a similar experience.

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#### THE RIFLE.

At the Range.

There was a meeting of the St. John City Civilian Rifle Club last night in their rooms. Capt. N. J. Morrison was in the chair. The committee appointed to look into the condition of the rifle range reported having communicated with the authorities at Ottawa and that it was probable that a side walk would be laid at the entrance to the range.

Tenders had been called for the erection of a house on the range for the use of competing clubs.

It was decided to enter two games this year in the Dominion Rifle League. There was much enthusiasm shown at the meeting.

#### CURLING.

Prizes Presented.

The Ladies' Thistle Curling Club met yesterday afternoon, and awarded the prizes to the members as they were won during the past season.

The silver medal donated by James Shaw, to be competed for at Sunday, was won by Mrs. F. D. Miles, with a score of 25 points.

The four silver pins given by Mrs. Walter Holby, were won by Mrs. Golding, Miss W. Myler, Mrs. S. Thorne, and Mrs. Winifred Campbell. The losers in finals, played off at points for a gold pin, given by Mrs. Frank Williams. This was also won by Mrs. F. D. Miles.

Reports were read by various committees, but the election of officers will not be held until the last Thursday in April.

#### DEATH OF

A. J. BAXTER.

Vancouver and The World Lose One Who Labored Splendidly In Their Behalf.

(Vancouver World.)

It is with extreme regret that The World announces the death of Mr. Alexander Jardine Baxter. The late event took place today, at the home of his father, Theobald, Ont. He was the sorrow felt, in this district, when the news was conveyed here, for Mr. Baxter was connected

with The World for a number of years, during which time he won recognition as a bright writer, particularly on subjects connected with sport. A few years ago he was appointed secretary of the Tourist Association, and he carried to his new position, all the energy and capability that marked him, while engaged in newspaper work. Some months ago, Mr. Baxter was obliged to undergo a delicate operation. It was soon evident that he would never again be a well man, and he expressed a desire to go to his old home in Ontario, where he had just breathed his last. Right up to the time of his death, he took a deep interest in all things pertaining to Vancouver, the city in which his best work was done. The local papers were daily read to him, and he followed the doings of Terminal City things with as much attention as if it were possible that he might resume active life here. Unhappily, that was not to be. Death may indeed be said to have come as a happy release to him, since he suffered acutely on occasion, although he bore up bravely under the great trial.

Death came comparatively early to Mr. Baxter. Born in St. John, N. B., in 1869, he would have been 36 years old in June, had he lived. In his earlier years, he was an athlete of note, being particularly well known as a runner, in which department of athletics, he so far distinguished himself, as to hold the half-mile championship of the Maritime provinces. He was the possessor of many medals, and trophies, and he yielded to the attractions of the running track, and the news that his last race is run, will be received with deep regret by his numerous friends in the district of his early triumphs.

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man connected with sport in Vancouver today who did not know him well enough to regret his early death. His geniality and ability made him a favorite with all who knew him, and the sorrow of his friends and the sorrow of the community will be shared by hundreds throughout the city.

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that in 400 country districts the privileges of education were denied to children who need and should have them.

The grant to the Central Railway of \$80,000, was also considered by the speaker.

Turning to the income for last year, we find it stated at \$902,554.71, a considerable increase over the estimate and a