

TIGER TEAM AT BEAMSVILLE.

Hamiltons Had a Good Practice Match Last Night.

London is Already in Line With Hamilton in the New International Baseball League—Wanderers Won First Game in Stanley Cup Series.

- O. H. A.—Intermediate. Collingwood 5 Meaford 3 Owen Sound 6 Alliston 5 O. H. A.—Junior. Orlia 8 Island Aquatics 5 Stanley Cup. Wanderers 9 Victoria 3 Northern League. Harrison 6 Lucknow 3 Exhibition. Beamsville 18 Hamilton 4 O. H. A.—Intermediate.

TO-DAY'S CARD. Brockville at Smith's Falls. Lindsay at Peterboro. Whitby at Port Hope. Niagara Falls at Simcoe. Port Colborne at Welland. Woodstock at London. Bradford at Tillsonburg. Paris at Ingersoll. Goderich at New Hamburg. Seaford at Clinton. Bracebridge at Orillia. Newmarket at Pennington. St. Catharines at Grimsby.

TIGERS AT BEAMSVILLE.

The Hamilton Hockey Club sent fifteen players to Beamsville last night to have a practice game with the O. H. A. team of that town. The boys enjoyed the trip and had a good practice. The first set that went on the ice against the Beamsville bunch was made up as follows: Morden, goal; Henderson, point; Harrison, centre; Montgomery, rover; Keown, left wing; Armstrong, right wing. The boys made a very good showing, particularly Harrison, Armstrong and Montgomery, and during the fifteen minutes of play got a lead of two goals on the home team, the score being 4 to 2 in favor of the Tigers.

For a second period all the players except Henderson and Morden were laid off and their places taken by Seagram, Crombie, Watson, Caldwell and Marshall. Crombie was the star of this bunch. Beamsville scored 10 points and Hamilton 2 in this period. In the last period Morden, Simons and Seagram were out and the home team scored six goals and the Tigers were blanked. The score at the finish was 18 to 4.

Manager Ripley was quite satisfied with the skating ability of the boys, but says they are not in good form yet, and will require hard work to get in condition to go a route. A practice has been arranged for tonight at the rink. To-morrow afternoon the boys will have a workout on the bay.

M. A. A. FIRES RUSSELL. Montreal, Jan. 9.—Ernie Russell, the football and hockey player, was this morning expelled from membership in the Montreal Amateur Athletic Association, and his name expunged from the association's books.

FROM O. H. A. HEADQUARTERS. The Bracebridge Club yesterday entered a protest against the Gravenhurst team on the ground that Francis Lafrenier is over the age limit prescribed by the O. H. A. rules.

THE FOLLOWING PLAYERS REGISTERED yesterday with the O. H. A.: Toronto (senior)—Fred P. Tomp, Arthur D. Smith, Harry T. Rossler, John A. Pike, W. McElmurray, H. G. Davidson, Jas. Congrave, Jas. A. Richardson.

WANDERERS WON EASILY. Montreal, Jan. 10.—The first match for the Stanley Cup, which was played last night at the Arena resulted in favor of the Wanderers, the present holders of the cup, who defeated the Victorias of Ottawa by a score of 9 to 3.

The visitors were clearly outplayed by the locals. At the end of half-time the score stood 5 to 2 in Wanderers' favor, and was increased to 9 to 3 by the end of the full-time. A big crowd was present to witness the match, which began at 10 o'clock and was not through until near midnight. The playing was fast, the ice being in very good condition. Roberts, of Ottawa Victorias, in a collision with Art Ross, was knocked down and had his shoulder-blade broken. The teams were: Wanderers—Goal, Hearn; point, Art Ross; cover, Hooper; centre, Glass; rover, Russell; right wing, Johnston; left wing, Small.

NEW B. B. LEAGUE

London is Already in Line in the International.

Mr. Fred Paige, of Paterson, N. J., left for London yesterday afternoon after closing the deal for the Britannia Park for the new International Baseball League. Mr. Paige intends to make Hamilton his headquarters and will manage the Hamilton team personally. He says he would like to see a Hamilton man made President of the league, which seems to be assured. As London is already in line with Hamilton, Niagara Falls, N. Y., and Erie, Pa., Mr. Paige will devote his time to securing one more Canadian team and another U. S. team. St. Thomas is the most probable team on this side of the line. Lockport is anxious to get in on the U. S. end of the league. The following article appeared in the London Free Press this morning:

"Meanwhile, although the local talk is all hockey, and interest in the proposed new International Baseball League team for London, had died down to a certain extent, all the while the promoters have been working, and last night a man who has been talking, and what is better, doing business all along the line, dropped into town to look over the situation here. This was Mr. Fred Paige, of Paterson, N. J., who was last year manager of the Bangor team in the Maine State. Mr. Paige was only here for a few hours last night, leaving early in the morning, but during that time he made known his errand. He did not interview any local men, and did not say much about the situation here, although he left no doubt but that London would have a professional team, financed by outside parties. It was stated last night that he had already secured an option on Tecumseh Park, and that with London and Hamilton assured he would turn his attention to getting two or three cities to come in. Guelph, St. Thomas, or Bradford, with four Canadian cities and two American centres, Niagara Falls, N. Y., and Erie, Pa.

JOHNSON AND DAY.

A Lively Try Out in Toronto Yesterday Afternoon.

Toronto, Jan. 10.—With a match between Jack Johnson and Tommy Burns in prospect, a tryout between the big black and Robert Day, the amateur champion, seemed a splendid idea, as Sparring Partner Carey does not seem able to extend the big fellow. In the bout which took place yesterday afternoon at the Star Theatre, after the house had dispersed, Johnson showed fast punching power and plenty of aggressiveness, and the fact that he held himself in check indicated gameness. While they were mixing Day landed at will, but when on the defensive Johnson's guarding and warding and rushing were as near perfect as possible. His weak point, as was generally agreed, seemed to be slow foot work, and that the point that will give Burns the most advantage if they meet. Johnson and his manager, Sam Fitzpatrick, have made a good impression.

THE FIGHT PICTURES.

Besides the Burns-Moist fight pictures at the Grand next Monday and Tuesday there will be a number of other interesting views and several illustrated songs. The fight pictures are said to be the best ever taken of a glove contest and show the entire battle from beginning to end where the Englishman lost to the Canadian through the knock-out route at the National Sport-

Some Snap Shots at Sport and Sportsmen

This is more like real weather for the hockey players. A month of this would be appreciated by Manager Ripley and his players and others.

Speaking about baseball news: When you see it in the Times it's so.

Charlie Conkle, the wrestler, has been offered the management of a minor league team in the Eastern States for the coming season.

Toronto Telegram: Gordon Southam, of the Hamilton Tigers, has been reinstated and will probably play hockey with Hamilton intermediates. Of course he played against a man who once played with and against professionals, but there's no better amateur or athlete in the country than the same Gordon—and what is the use of being squeamish?

It is said that the Kenilworth track at Buffalo will this season be in firm control. Messrs. Hendrie and Palmer will be largely interested, and Jos. A. Murphy will continue as secretary. The

ing Club London, last December. There will be a matinee each day.

BOOK WENT BROKE.

Pencilers Took Too Much Mame on Marse Abe.

New Orleans, Jan. 10.—With an ordinary class of animals entered in the various events yesterday, the racing was rather tame. The star event was a 1/2 furlong sprint, which fell to Handzarra, backed from 8 to 4. Handzarra was always best of her company and despite being carried very wide entering the home stretch, won with considerable reserve.

One of the books which accepted too many bets on Marse Abe, winner of the first race, was forced to pay out every cent of its cash to winning bettors and declared itself "broke." Marse Abe opened at 9 to 5 and was backed down to 7 to 5 at post time.

Jockey V. Powers, who has been doing some remarkable riding lately, yesterday brought in three winners and one second. He had six mounts.

PT. PERRY ICE RACES.

Port Perry, Jan. 10.—Port Perry ice races closed yesterday, and the meeting was one of the greatest ever seen in Canada. Taking in all the four races trotted and paced, the average time for the meet was the fastest ever made on the ice in Canada, and in the free-for-all yesterday Lady May and John McEwen paced a dead heat, their time equalling the world's ice record, held by Blackbird, which was made over the kite-shaped track here last year.

Never before in the history of this association in the past 35 years have four such fast horses faced the starter. In both events yesterday the finishes were so close that it taxed to the utmost the judgment of the keen-sighted officials to designate the winners. Their decisions, however, met the approval of the large crowd present.

Honest Billy, W. Giles, Barrie 2 1 1 1 Johnny K., S. McBride, Toronto 1 2 2 2 Joe Allen, P. McCarthy, Toronto 3 3 3 3 Time—2:22 1-4, 2:24, 2:23 3-4, 2:23 3-4.

Free-for-all—John McEwen, C. Ray, Toronto 0 1 2 2 1 Lady May, Burns 6 Riley R., Isaac Watson, Toronto 2 4 4 3 4 dr Capt. Sphinx, R. Kit 3 2 4 3 4 dr Time—2:17 1/4, 2:19 1/4, 2:18 1/4, 2:19 1/4.

GREY RIDER DIES PENILESS.

Columbus, Jan. 10.—Skechy Barnes, aged 37, known to the turf world as "Pike" Barnes, died at his home here following an attack of pneumonia. In his prime Barnes was known as one of the greatest riders in the country, and during his ten years' reign as champion jockey he won more than \$100,000, not a cent of which is now left. He died peniless.

NORTHERN RACINO NOTES.

Buffalo, Jan. 10.—At a conference here yesterday, President George M. Hendrie and Secretary Walter O. Farmer, representing the Windsor track and Judge Joseph A. Murphy, of Kenilworth, settled on the racing dates for the northern circuit for next summer. All decisions were reached amicably. The Toronto and Hamilton meetings have already announced their dates and will open the season, as usual, Hamilton will be followed by Kenilworth and Windsor. Kenilworth will probably open up on the day Hamilton closes. As usual, Fort Erie will wind up the circuit.

SHORT ENDS.

Little Paragraphs of Sport from Far and Near

There is now good ice at the Victoria Curling Club. There was quite a number of curlers out last night. A 20-rink match between the Thistle and Victoria Clubs has been arranged. Games in it will be played at both rinks.

The members of the Hamilton Gun Club are requested to be on hand early to-morrow afternoon. It is desired that as many as possible catch the 1 o'clock Radial car, as owing to a change in the time table the next car does not leave until 2:30 p. m.

San Francisco, Jan. 10.—After his theatrical engagement is finished Moran will likely take on Dumont in Boston and O'Toole in Philadelphia. Charles Harvey, Moran's manager, with the Britcher, and Alf Welch, trainer, left for the East last night. A number of Moran's English admirers here, total strangers to him, called upon the little featherweight yesterday and presented him with a \$250 gift.

Pittsburg Leader: If this country is going to have a team in the Olympic games it must have one which is truly representative, and one which will be in perfect harmony all through, from the runner to the manager, and there is not the least doubt that if Halpin goes such a condition is impossible.

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Is Basketball Harmful to the Average Player?

Basketball, which is so popular in this city, a good form of exercise for the average man? Dr. S. W. Hetherington, director of athletics at the University of Missouri, says it is very doubtful. "For the strong man, who is not of a nervous temperament," says Dr. Hetherington, "basketball is an ideal exercise, if not indulged in excessively. For the man or woman of nervous temperament, however, basketball is too strenuous. Why? The reason is briefly this: Basketball involves more nervous strain than any other form of exercise, not even excepting football. Now, it is one of the fundamentals of the science of physical culture that nervous strain is to be avoided. An exercise should involve as little thinking and as much use of the large voluntary muscles as possible. Basketball involves too much thinking. It is for this reason that I abolished the woman's basketball team a few years ago. After several years of experiment we found that those girls that made the varsity basketball team invariably broke down nervously before they left school or immediately afterwards. Women should be allowed to play match games of basketball where the rivalry is at all intense. A nervous girl should not be allowed to play basketball at all." Dr. Hetherington holds to the theory that "organic development" is the aim of exercise. "Organic development" is the development of all the functioning powers of the body; especially the lungs, liver, heart and digestive organs. The development of the voluntary muscles, on which so many trainers lay stress, is of no more importance than the strengthening of the involuntary muscles, Hetherington holds.

GOTCH AND "HACK."

Two Giants of the Mat to Clash in America.

Baltimore, Jan. 10.—Frank A. Gotch, champion wrestler of the United States, said yesterday that he had received a telegram indicating that Geo. Hackenschmidt has consented to meet him. The dispatch was an enquiry as to whether a date for a match between April 1 and May 1 would suit. Gotch said that it would, and that either Chicago or Kansas City would be chosen as the scene of the contest.

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WOMAN'S MAIL ROUTE.

A Trail Over the Wind River Range in Northwestern Wyoming. Star route 64125, South Pass City to Lander, Wyoming. That is the official designation which the Post Office Department gives to forty miles of mountain trail that runs along the top of the continental divide in the Wind River range of the Rocky Mountains in Northwestern Wyoming. Over that trail the United States mails pass daily in both directions to connect with other star routes.

Star routes are usually awarded to tried and seasoned veterans of the road, men who can follow the trail when the "stakes" are buried under several feet of snow and the only other landmarks—the mountains—are shrouded in fog and mist. But once in a while an exception is made, for good reasons. One of them is Star Route No. 64125. It is operated by a veteran indeed, but not a man, Mrs. S. F. Gillespie, who is a Kansas City woman when she is "back home" holds a commission from the Post Office Department to carry the mails over this route, and for two years has not failed to deliver the mail pouch at its destination within the time specified in her contract.

"Close calls." Well, yes, some," said Mrs. Gillespie, who is visiting friends in Kansas City. "One night in November my driver, who was bringing the mail from Myersville to South Pass, didn't arrive at the hour he was due. I waited until 2 o'clock in the morning and then I determined to find out what was the matter. The mail for Atlantic, a station four miles out, which he was to take on his return trip, was ready to go. I couldn't get a horse in town, so I took the mail pouch and walked to Atlantic, where I left it. There I got a horse and pushed on.

"About two miles from Atlantic I found one of the mail wagon horses with trailing harness and I knew there had been an accident. I caught the horse and went on. Soon I saw the wagon on the side of the road and the injured driver on the ground. There had been a runaway. The second horse wasn't to be found, so I loaded the mail bags on my horse and assisting the driver on the other turned back toward South Pass. We made it just in time to save a lost trip being recorded against my contract.

"The winter of 1904 was one of the most severe I had to go through. In April there was five feet of snow on the trail. That month I had a terrible experience. I started for Myersville in the morning with a two horse sleigh and a driver. The snow was packed hard and the trail perfectly plain, but we hadn't gone far when it began to snow hard. In an hour a violent blizzard was raging. When we were still seven miles from the station and the snow was so thick we could scarcely see the horses the whiffletree broke. We abandoned the sleigh, piled the mail bags on the horses' backs and went ahead on foot. We didn't care to ride the horses for fear the extra weight would prove too much for them. The stakes which marked the trail were soon covered by the snow and we could only follow the horses. A horse has a wonderful instinct for following a trail in the worst storm, and they kept the road and brought us to the station, but my feet were frozen."

Mrs. Gillespie cares for her own stock, doctors her twenty-two horses, superintends the repairs on the wagons and sleighs and drives over the route. "I learned to shoot when I first went out there, but I have never been molested," she said, "though mail wagons on nearby routes have been held up once or twice. I have frequently been out all night in the saddle looking for strayed horses, but never had to shoot anything worse than a rattlesnake."

Wagon's Masoch. Gambler's are notoriously superstitious as all who have visited Monte Carlo know. They you will find a parasitic class who live on the superstition of the frequenters of the tables. They are hunched and the gamblers imagine that they are certain to have a run of luck by thinking the humps of these unwholesome wretches. Accordingly one finds at each entrance to the Casino a row of waiting hunchbacks ready to bring luck to any one who will pay them. Each has his own list of patrons, and a very comfortable income some of them earn. Not a few of them are normal in every respect, their humps being simply padding and framework strapped upon their shoulders. One such was recently exposed and punished summarily. A rumor had spread among the gaming fraternity that he was a fraud, so one of his patrons, instead of patting him gently on the back, as usual, gave him a resounding thump, which effectively dislodged the bogus hump. Having thus effected a regard to the matter, the gamblers determined that their patient must also take the waters in the lake of the Casino gardens in case he should have a relapse. After a lengthy dip he was so thoroughly cured that he left Monte Carlo, never to return. But there are still bogus masochs at the doors of the gaming hall, and there always will be till the foolish superstition dies out.—Montreal Standard.