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HARD ON THE STARTER.

Fitzgerald Keeping Up His Bad Work at New Orleans.

New Orleans, Feb. 4.—It is doubtful if another such exhibition of starting will be ever witnessed by race-goers as was given by Starter Fitzgerald to-day. The first race was bad. He got a fair start in the second, bad third; but in the handicap eclipsed all his previous bad work by giving one of the most wretched starts probably ever made. Bird Catcher, who carried nearly all the wise money, was at the 70-yard post, while George W., Dockstader and one or two others were hidden from view by the judges' stand. Bird Catcher raced up to the field, but on account of the closing up of the gap, tired badly in the stretch and was unplaced. The first race was taken by Elsie Ferguson, who got the best of the bad start, and won all the way. Summaries:

First race, 6 furlongs—Elsie Ferguson, 5 to 1, 1; Rosalind III., 7 to 10, 2; Georgie Smith, 15 to 1, 3. Time 1.16¼.

Second race, ½ mile—Parmerson, 7 to 1, 1; Ox Eye, 8 to 5, 2; Star Tobacco, 7 to 2, 3. Time 50¼.

Third race, 6 furlongs—Evanescn, 3 to 5, 1; Fannie Rowena, 3 to 1, 2; Panout, 8 to 1, 3. Time 1.16½.

Fourth race, mile—George W., 10 to 1, 1; Orinda, 4 to 1, 2; Dockstader, 20 to 1, 3. Time 1.42¾.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Prytania, 6 to 5, 1; Bagpipe, 8 to 1, 2; Trixie, 20 to 1, 3. Time 1.15¾.

Entries for To-Day

New Orleans, Feb. 4.—First race, 5 furlongs—Sisseretta, 93; Mamie G., 97; Banjo Johnson, 98; Carrie B., Favorine, 105; Tancred, Lagniappe, Rouble, 107; Le Grande, Jim Hogg, Ed Glenn, G. B. Cox, 110.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Festival, Vida, 105; Master Fred, Lyndhurst, Marks, Old Pugh, Nero, 107; Terraplu, Borderer, Rainmaker, Arkansas Traveler, Fakir, 110.

Third race, ½ mile—Koenigen, Fate, Ida May, Attie H., Bonnie Belle, 108; Sanguine, 115.

Fourth race, 1¼ miles—Florence P., Sun Up, 110; Jamboree, Roosevelt, 103; Emin Bey, 113; Maurice, 114; Blasco, 100; Uncle Jim, Bloomer, 98.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Spitfire, My Hebe, Lettie, Lizzie N., Pisa, 107; McKee, Momus, 109; K. C., 112; Freedman, 112; Souvenir, 124; King Elm, 127; Alamo, 119.

Sixth race, 7 furlongs—Twelve Fifty, 90; Julie, 92; Stanza, Feast 93; Tamerlane, Ja Ja, 105; Jack Bradley, Ondague, 107; Oak Forest, Teeta May, 108; Dutch Arrow, Pulsifer, 113.

The 'Frisco Round.

San Francisco, Feb. 4.—Weather fine; track slow.

First race6 furlongs—Braw Scot 1, Peckaniff 2, Miss Ross 3. Time 1.18.

Second race, 3½ furlongs—Mary K. 1, Lady Laurelwood 2, Early Notice 3. Time 45.

Third race, 5½ furlongs—Mt. McGregor II. 1, Coleman 2, Belle of Stonewall 3. Time 1.11.

Fourth race, 6 furlongs—Gratify 1, Geo. Miller 2, Yankee Doodle 3. Time 1.14¼.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Fullerton Lass 1, McFarlan 2, Hacienda 3. Time 1.18¼.

Sixth race, 5½ furlongs—Edgewood 1, Marionette 2, Claude Hill 3. Time 1.11¾.

Ice Races at Port Hope.

Port Hope, Feb. 4.—This was the first day of the thirty-first annual meeting of the Port Hope winter races. Quite a large field of horses entered and competed in the different races. A very large crowd witnessed some very fine trotting, notwithstanding the heavy condition of the track owing to the weather and heavy fall of snow all the afternoon.

Three-minute race:

Howard's (Erinsville, Ont.) Golden Prince 1 1 1
G. Curtis' (Lindsay) Nellie C..... 2 3 2
R. J. Hewit's (Brighton) Lulu B... 3 2 4
L. G. Bennett's (Port Hope) Lady Rysdyke 5 4 3
E. Brown's (Peterboro) Sandy B.... 4 5 5
Time—2.44, 2.49, 2.42, 2.43.

2. 29 class:

M. Austen's (Brighton) Demand.... 1 1 1
C. Card's (Colborne) Red Hot..... 2 4 3
Geo. Power's (Orillia) Sorrel Dan... 5 2 5
E. Harrington's (Picton) Billy Mack 3 3 2
J. J. Burns' (Toronto) Lisbon..... 4 5 4
Time—2.39½, 2.45, 2.37.

SKI RACING IN QUEBEC.

Fast Six Miles and the Snowshoe Record Beaten by Foreigners.

Quebec, Feb. 4.—Quebec has just adopted a new kind of sport. Not contented with hockey, lacrosse, curling, bowling, golfing, etc., the sporting world has gone in for snow shoeing on Scandinavian skis. Those snow shoes which are used in Sweden and Norway are considered as being a faster means of transportation on our roads, and H. Gowan, champion snowshoer of Canada, has inaugurated the ski, and speaks very favorably of them.

On the closing day of the carnival a light snow fell, making the road from the city down to the Falls excellent for tramping on skis. Then two Norwegians, Oscar Stone, manufacturer, from New York, and N. Nealson, foreman of the Quebec Gas Works, made their way for the Falls, and succeeded in doing the trip, which covers a distance of six miles, in 43.09 minutes, thus beating the record on Canadian snowshoes for the same course. At the finish of the race Mr. Nealson was about 100 yards ahead of his opponent. It was a close and interesting race, though not witnessed by a very large crowd.

It is reported that most of the Quebec snowshoe members will follow Gowan's conduct, i.e., leave away the Indian shoes to adopt the new ski.

Canadian Lacrosse Association.

The annual meeting of the Canadian Lacrosse Association will be held this year on Good Friday, which is April 3. Harry O'Laughlin, the well-known veteran in the game of St. Kitts, is a candidate for the presidency, and will oppose Vice-President W. C. Kennedy of this city.

Athletic and General Notes.

Colonel W. P. Thompson, turfman and financier, is dead. Born in West Virginia 56 years ago, he has, in the comparatively brief span of his life, played many parts. He had been soldier and editor, financier and sportsman, and what he did was always done well. He was proprietor of the Brookdale stable.

The winning of the cake walk by the St. Alphonsus duo at the Wanderers' smoking concert last Saturday night was the most popular event of the season, and Messrs. Sterling and Slattery, the club representatives in the cake walk, plus the two cakes they have won, are the lions of the hour. A reception will shortly be tendered them in honor of the event, and the cakes will then be disposed of to the taste of the veriest epicurean. The cakes are now on exhibition at the club rooms, and visitors are treated to a very recherche lunch and 5 o'clock tea every Monday evening at 8.30. The card games are still in progress. The last pedro contest was won by Mr. T. Halligan, and in the euchre match Mr. J. Lynnes, by careful play, captured first place. The club pedro players will have a friendly match with the C.M.B.A. of Brockton next Friday night at the club rooms, and next Monday night the usual pedro contest will take place.

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CHAMPIONSHSP HOCKEY.

Victorias and Granite Juniors Win—Varsity Beaten Twice.

The Victorias trounced 'Varsity last night in a well played game at the Victoria rink before 400 people by 7 games to 4. In the first half there was very little to choose between the teams, and it ended with the score 3 all. The Vics went into the game with a rush, and got 4 games in succession, chiefly through the good work of Whitely and Ainsley. The teams were:

Victoria (7): Goal, Hellwell; point, Brumell; cover, Forsyth; forwards, Miller, Ainsley, Whitely, Wisner.

'Varsity (4): Goal, Waldie; point, Scott; cover, Fitzgibbon; forwards, Cameron, Snell, Blackwood, Shepard.

Referee: Joe Macdougall.

The games were scored as follows:

First half: 1, Victoria, Whitely, 3 mins.; 2, 'Varsity, Snell, 2 mins.; 3, Varsity, Snell, 5 mins.; 4, Victoria, Wisner, 5 mins.; 5, 'Varsity, Shepard, 45 secs.; 6, Victoria, Whitely, 4 mins.

Second half: 7, Victoria, Wisner, 3 mins.; 8, Victoria, Whitely, 30 secs.; 9, Victoria, Miller, 1 min.; 10, Victoria, Wisner, 26 mins.; 11, 'Varsity, Blackwood, 55 secs.

Granites' Junior O.H.A. Victory.

The Granites succeeded in winning the city group O.H.A. junior series by defeating 'Varsity II. by 13 goals to 1. The winners put up a great combination game, and won about as they pleased. The teams were:

Granites (13): Goal, G. Dixon; point, B. Davis; cover, J. Macdonald; forwards, Crawford, Johnston, Lillie and Dixon.

'Varsity II. (1): Goal, Waldie; Scott; Flett, Kerr, Lindsay and Burns.

Referee: J. Ardagh, Bank of Toronto.

Dominion or Commerce?

The Dominion and Commerce meet this afternoon at the Granite rink at 4.30. Each will have their strongest team on the ice, so that the game is certain to be a fast one. Season ticket holders must present their tickets at the rink. The teams are as follows:

Commerce: McMaster, goal; Hilborne, point; Elwood, cover-point; Headley, Stevenson, McDonald and Moss, forwards.

Dominion: Hellwell, goal; Gray, point; Brough (capt.), cover-point; Wily, Cosby, Francis and Dartnell, forwards.

Referee: Archibald.

Victorias of Kingston Win.

Kingston, Feb. 4.—The Victorias won the championship of Group 2 of the Ontario junior hockey series from the Limestones last night by a score of three to two. The teams:

Limestones (2): Goal, Savage; point, Hamilton; cover, McDowall; forwards, Cunningham, Sutherland, Low, Walkem.

Victorias (3): Goal, Lamb; point, J. Rigney; cover, Metcalfe; forwards, Reyner, Murray, Taylor, Murphy.

Referee: George McKay.

Ontario Hockey Association.

The Ontario Hockey Association semi-final and final draws were arranged in the Granite Club last night at a special meeting of the committee, there being present: Chairman C. A. B. Brown and Messrs. J. A. MacFadden, Stratford; A. F. R. Martin, Osgoode-T.A.C.; A. H. Beaton, Queen's; C. C. Becher, London; G. J. Horkins, Peterboro, and F. W. Tiffin, the energetic secretary-treasurer. The draws:

Senior series: Ayr goes to Queen's; Osgoode-T.A.C. goes to Stratford.

Junior series: Granites go to Berlin, and the Kingston winners go to Peterboro. The semi-finals in both series must be played on or before Feb. 13, and the committee will fix the finals.

A NEW ROWING RIG.

Improvements That Will Give Speed to Racing Shells.

Boston, Mass., Feb. 4.—M. F. Davis, an old-time Portland oarsman, who for several years past has lived in Detroit, Mich., is in the East exhibiting an invention in leverage as applied to sweeps in crew rowing. Experts at Harvard have examined Mr. Davis' invention, but are mute in regard to it. Coach Watson would like, however, to see it tried on the river, and the first clear water in the spring may float a four or an eight rigged with the new Davis oars.

The latest Davis idea requires a steel shank inboard for a sweep, and can only be used in crew rowing. By its use the oarsmen will be enabled to secure nine inches more stroke in the full reach, or 18 inches on the complete stroke when rowing at 40 to the minute. In a slower stroke the gain in inches is increased, as Mr. Davis has figured that 28 more inches of water is disturbed by the oar when the cadence is 28 or 30 to the minute. Some of the old-timers in town were amazed at his statement, but he demonstrated its practicability according to his figures. Mr. Davis believes that 40 per cent. more power can be put into a stroke by his invention, all of which is due to the lengthiness of the stroke, which he claims to be able to do. Besides this, the invention does away with the screwing around of the body caused by the short and long-arm grip on the ordinary oar.

This old-fashioned sidewise motion, he claims, is detrimental to speed. With the new appliance the man in the boat will be able to swing on an even seat. Another point in favor of the Davis oar is that it gives the blade a quicker and more solid anchorage. It is sure to catch every time, the fetching of crabs is minimized and the rowlock is so arranged that the blade enters the water on the same level at each stroke.

Neilson and Hulse Matched.

Champion Neilson and Harry Hulse have been matched to skate a series of races in the Mutual-street rink on Friday night for a valuable trophy, and will endeavor to go after all existing records. They will skate one and two miles, and if a third contest is necessary will toss for choice. The pair practise in Mutual-street morning and afternoon. The Caledonians' next big carnival is slated for to-morrow (Thursday) night, when another lot of valuable prizes will be given for fancy costumes.

Bobby Robertson for President.

Mr. J. A. MacFadden, the versatile sportsman of Stratford, was in the city yesterday attending the meeting of the O.H.A. committee. Speaking of the approaching election of Canadian Wheelman's Association officers, Mr. MacFadden said: "Those who count on a solid support from the west for Dr. Balfour for the presidency are mistaken. Stratford will vote solid for Robertson."

Messenger Pigeons.

The York Messenger Pigeon Club held a very interesting meeting on Monday evening, when the presentation of a handsome silver cup to Mr. Charles Bond took place. The presentation was made with an appropriate address by Mr. Wallwork on behalf of the club, Mr. Bond making a suitable reply. Mr. J. Jessiman, the well-known fancier, and Mr. A. P. Hackett were enrolled as members.

C.W.A. Racing Board Report

The report of the Racing Board in the present issue of The Canadian Wheelman will give members of the association a faint idea of just what work the gentlemen who compose that board have done for Canadian cycling this year. The most interesting part of the report is unquestionably the paragraph in which they outline their recommendations for this year's policy. Put as plainly as possible, the board would have three kinds of bicycle riders—amateurs and two sorts of professionals—as stated in The World last week. The amateur class would be even more exclusive than our present class B, and members of it alone would be eligible for full membership in the C.W.A. The two kinds of professionals would be trade riders and cash riders. To the former would be relegated all racing men interested in the trade who do not ride for cash or turn their prizes into cash. The out-and-out cash professional needs no description. Theoretically the board's scheme meets all objections better than anything before proposed. The question only remains will it not be too cumbersome in actual practice? concludes The Wheelman.

CHAMPION THISTLES OUT.

HAMILTON'S TANKARD WINNERS BEATEN IN GROUP 7.

Galt Curlers do the Trick and Eight on the Home Team's Ice—Skip Corcoran Defeats A. F. Jones' Team in the Last Game Before the Semi-Final Round—Where the Curlers Stand.

Hamilton, Feb. 4.—Hamilton will not be represented this year in the annual contest for the Ontario Curling Tankard, the Thistles having gone down in defeat this morning. The victorious club in the seventh group primary matches was Galt, and Galt goes into the finals instead of the Thistles.

John Kerner's rink held its own with Veitch's visitors, the score being a tie, but McAuslan was too much for Balfour's men, who were 6 down. The Thistles, being a bye, have not been practising as hard as might have been the case, and they thought they could outplay Galt in their first Tankard game of the season. They were mistaken. This is the second time in the Thistles' history that they will not play in the finals. Group 7 scores:

Asylum.		Paris.	
Dr. Russell, skip	38	J. Torrence, skip	11
A. Goodall, skip	20	M. Caven, skip	21
Total	60	Total	32
Galt.		**Ancaster.**	
R. Veitch, skip	17	A. Calder, skip	20
John McAuslan, sk.	22	D. Butter, skip	18
Total	39	Total	38
Galt.		**Asylum.**	
R. Veitch, skip	28	Dr. Russell, skip	8
John McAuslan, sk.	20	A. Goodall, skip	14
Total	55	Total	22
Galt.		**Thistles.**	
C. Blake,		J. Leggat,	
G. A. Graham,		J. Thomson,	
T. A. McDougall,		W. Vallance,	
R. Veitch, skip	18	J. Kerner, skip	18
J. R. Blake,		C. W. Cartwright,	
R. Minto,		R. King,	
J. Cherry,		R. M. Hamilton,	
John McAuslan, sk.	21	St. C. Balfour, sk.	15
Total	39	Total	33

Embro Wins Group 12.

Embro, Feb. 4.—The Embro Club defeated Ingersoll in a closely contested game by 6 shots, thus becoming the winning club in Group 12.

The contest between all the curling clubs of the county of Oxford for the Ross County Trophy took place here to-day. Bright defeated Wodstock, Plattsville defeated Ingersoll.

At the Peterboro Bonspiel.

Peterboro, Feb. 4.—The second day of Peterboro's big curling bonspiel was opened up under as favorable, if not better, auspices as yesterday. The weather was all that could be desired. Results:

Oshawa.		Peterboro Thistles.	
P. H. Punshon, sk.	19	W. G. Ferguson, s.	22
J. A. Sykes, skip	9	S. Ray, skip	31
Total	28	Total	53

Majority for Peterboro 25 shots.

Lakefield.		Orillia.	
R. C. Strickland, s.	26	Dr. Beaton, skip	19
G. A. Strickland, s.	17	W. M. Harvey, sk.	21
Total	43	Total	40

Majority for Lakefield 3 shots.

Lindsay.		Peterboro Thistles.	
J. McLennan, skip	17	W. F. Ferguson, s.	22
J. D. Flavelle, skip	25	S. Ray, skip	18
Total	42	Total	40

Majority for Lindsay 2 shots.

Scarboro Maple Leafs.

The final in Group 2 was played yesterday afternoon and resulted in a rather easy victory for the Scarboro Maple Leafs over East Toronto. The game took place at East Toronto. Score:

Maple Leafs.		Aberdeens.	
H. Thompson,		P. Murray,	
R. Green,		A. E. White,	
L. Malcolm,		G. F. Stephenson,	
A. Patterson, skip	27	J. Richardson, sk.	15
I. Chester,		G. Empringham,	
I. Stoba,		F. Mason,	
G. Chester,		A. Wood,	
R. McCowan, skip	29	J. L. Tidsberry, sk.	11
Total	56	Total	26

Tankard Group Champions.

The champion curlers of the different Ontario Association groups were all selected by yesterday or earlier, that date being fixed as the last for primary competition. This year the chances are that every group will be represented at the finals here next week, as in case the champion club cannot come the last competing team may take its place. The groups as heard from are:

1. Port Hope.	10. St. Mary's.
2. Scarboro M.L.	11. Dundas.
3. Lakefield.	12. Embro.
4. Orillia.	13. Seaforth.
5. Toronto Cal.	14. Berlin.
6. Toronto Granite.	15. Fergus.
7. Galt.	16. Meaford.

The Single Rink Competition.

The last contest in the Walker Cup third draw was played last night at the Granite, and Parkdale's only hope fell by the wayside, Prospect Park winning by 8 shots as follows:

Prospect Park.		Parkdale.	
J. Gibson,		E. Schofield,	
N. L. Patterson,		J. E. Hall,	
J. W. Flavelle,		A. Hector,	
J. W. Corcoran, sk.	19	A. F. Jones, skip	11

The clubs left for the next round are as follows:

1. J. C. Scott (PP) v. Q. D. McCulloch (PP).
2. John Bain (T) v. G. H. Bertram (T).
3. O. F. Rice (G) v. D. Carlyle (PP).
4. R. Rennie (C) v. J. W. Corcoran (PP).

No. 1 plays No. 2 and No. 3 plays No. 4 in the semi-finals, all competition to be likely on the Granite ice before the end of next week. The clubs fared in the last round as follows:

	Rinks.	Won.	Lost.
Prospect Park	4	4	0
Toronto	2	2	0
Caledonian	1	1	0
Granite	7	1	6
Parkdale	2	0	2
Total	16	8	8

Six of the Granites were snowed under and Parkdales two, while Prospect Park, Caledonians and the Torontos came out with a clean record.

Ice Chips.

Second Imperials defeated the Commerce II. in an intermediate Bank League game at the Victoria rink yesterday afternoon.

St. Mary's won a two-rink match at Forest yesterday by 43 to 34. J. D. Moore beat A. F. Steele 21 to 18. E. J. Oddy beat Dr. Totten 22 to 16.

The Montreal ice races, scheduled to begin at the Jacques Cartier track, have been declared off, owing to the unfavorable state of the weather and the ice being considered unsafe.

Mr. D. McKeown, of Brandon, Man., an old Granite and Toronto Club curler, is at present in the city. He still plays the game, and yesterday skipped a rink of Caledonians against D. S. Keith, the score standing 14 to 13 in favor of the home team.

Want Fitz and Maher in London.

The uncertainty regarding the final culmination of the proposed contest between Bob Fitzsimmons and Peter Maher has reached London, and the sports over there are anxious to have the fight decided on English soil. A cable despatch to New York states that the National Sporting Club of London would give $10,000 for the contest, providing, of course, that it was not decided in this country on the date named. The club wants the men for Derby week, which is the latter part of May. Maher has repeatedly stated that he has no objection to fighting at London. Fitzsimmons intends to go to England shortly, and will probably avail himself of the National Club's offer if he and Maher fail to come together in the United States.

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CURE INDIGESTION.

UNUSUALLY TOUGH SET.

The Notorious Joe Maroney and Others of His Ilk Entertain the Colonel for a Day.

When James Maroney appeared before the Magistrate yesterday on a charge of illegally selling liquor, he stated that dances were held at his place, 111 Richmond-street, the fee for entrance being 25 cents, which entitled the guests to free beer. When Patrol Sergeant Geddes and some policemen raided his place on Jan. 11, liquor was being sold over a bar, and the dispenser, Alexander Wallace, had the money alleged to have been paid for drinks in his mouth.

Mr. Robinette, who appeared for the prisoner, argued that no money had been actually paid for liquor, and that whatever money was paid to the establishment was for admission and coat checks.

"The evidence shows," said the Magistrate, "that the people paid their money before they went in and got the liquor after they got in."

The lawyer started to argue the matter, but the Colonel cut him short by saying that it was a roundabout way of getting around the law, and that the defendant could take it to a higher court if he wanted to.

An application was then made to postpone the case for a week to give Joe a chance to raise the money or appeal.

His Worship had previously fined Maroney $50 and costs or three months, but he agreed to Mr. Robinette's request. The case was adjourned until the 11th, and the Colonel said he would consider whether he should not in the meantime increase the fine to $100.

Maroney was then placed on trial for being associated with Jim Lynch on a charge of robbing a stranger named Emil Mueller, and the case was adjourned until Friday.

W. H. Jones, a colored man who has been a nuisance to lady pedestrians in the vicinity of the Gardens, was fined $10 and costs or 40 days for indecent exposure.

Thomas Eagle accused Thomas Mitchell of stealing wood and coal from him. Eagle rented premises from Mitchell and didn't pay the rent, so the landlord threw out the stuff he was alleged to have stolen. Eagle has an unsavory reputation, and the Magistrate dismissed the case.

Mrs. Mary Hagel, 407 Spadina-avenue, found a tarpaulin belonging to the People's Coal Company and notified them that she would return it on payment of $1 reward. They refused to pay the amount, and accused Mrs. Hagel of theft. The case was dismissed, the article being returned to the company.

AN ENJOYABLE SMOKER.

The Dominion Express Company's Employes Entertain Their Friends.

Before a crowded house at the Auditorium last night the employes of the Dominion Express Company scored their fourth annual success as public entertainers. A first-class minstrel performance occupied the first portion of the evening. The end men's gags, many of them of a local character, were clever and up-to-date, while the musical numbers called forth encore after encore. Mr. A. E. Ecclestone's sweet and sympathetic tenor was heard in a couple of sentimental songs, and, though the selections did not give his voice full scope, his was the marked success of the night. The company's orchestra and the quartet, consisting of Messrs. Ecclestone, Bender, Burr and Young, also made a good showing.

In "Drilby," an ethiopian burlesque after Du Maurier, Mr. Ecclestone, as the star, and Messrs. F. G. McKay, a very big "Little Willie," H. R. Burr, as the not very Svengalian "Maccaroni," Mr. Barron as "Chocolate Drops," John Clark as "Jo Jo," and F. V. List and C. M. Boyd as "Razoo" and "Bazoo," respectively, did good work.

The fact that the whole show was given by employes of the Dominion Express Company proves that that concern has jolly good fellows as well as smart transportation men on its pay list.

ACCIDENTS ON THE BAY.

Iceboats Cause Injuries to Pat Shea and an Unknown Lad.

Peter Shea, 23 George-street, sustained serious injuries to his right knee in an iceboat accident on the bay on Monday night. He remained over night at the Island club house of the R.C.Y.C., and was brought to the city yesterday morning and taken to the General Hospital.

A Lad Run Down.

At about 5 o'clock last night a boy who was skating on the bay was run down by the iceboat Britannia at the foot of York-street. He said he felt pains in his side as a result, but was able to walk as far as a street car. It was reported last night that his injuries were very serious, but no confirmation could be obtained, as no one took the lad's name and address.

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Sporting Notes.

The latest odds on the Oakley Derby, quoted by a Covington (Ky.) firm are: Ben Brush, 6 to 1; Ramiro (by Fonso) and Prince Lief, 10 to 1 each; Captive and Nimrod, 15 to 1 each; Applegate, First Mate and Semper Ego, 20 to 1 each; Refugee, 25 to 1, and others 30 to 1 to 1000 to 1.

The following are the largest winning 2-year-olds of last season: Requital, $60,000; Handspring, $42,000; Applegate, $30,000; Ben Brush, $23,000; Crescendo, $15,000; Hazlet, $15,000; Floretta IV., $10,000; Axim, $9000; One I Love, $9000; Lady Inez, $8000; Ben Eder, $7000; Kamsin, $7000; Beau Ideal II., $6000; Hastings, $6000; Amanda V., $6000; Prince Lief, $6000; Santa Rella, $5000; Sir Play, $5000; Ramiro (by Fonso), $5000; Myrtle Harkness, $5000.

At Woodward & Shanlin's annual winter sale of trotters at Lexington the best sales were: Monbars, blk.h., records, pacing, 2.16¾; tretting, 2.11¾; by Eagle Bird—Lady Maud, to R. P. Fox & Co., Richmond, Ky., $1500. A few years ago Don J. Leathers of Grand Rapids would not take $10,000 for him, but the stallion went lame a bride, and that knocked spots out of his attine. Jupe, b.c., 2 years, by Annie Wilkes, dam Annie Patchen, J. N. Snell, Boston, sold for $600.

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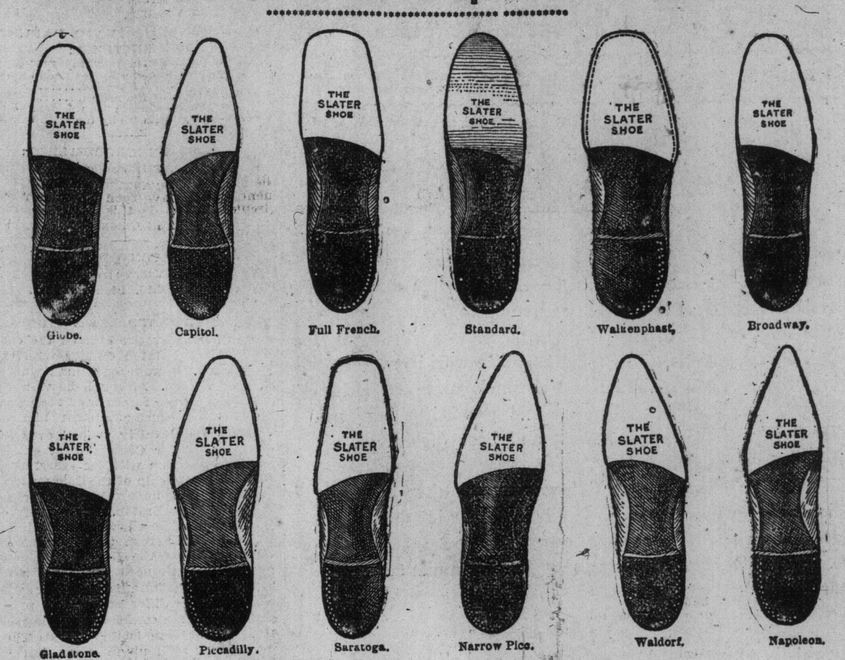

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