

SNAP-SHOTS AT VARIOUS SPORTS.

Bowling is said to have ruined Willie Sudhoff's arm. We opine that bowling put Amos Rude, and several other stars out, as their favorite pastime was getting bowled up.

In figuring out who is the best hockey player in Canada, the Montreal Herald says:

"Who is the best hockey player in Canada? Nine out of ten people will reply that either Frank McGee or Tom Phillips is. These two players are undoubtedly in a class by themselves. Phillips is the speedier, but he has nothing on McGee in the matter of stick-handling, and has not the same generalship. Where each shines is in pulling doubtful games out of the fires of uncertainty. Readers of the report of the Ottawa-Kenora match, that took place Saturday night, will notice that Phillips won that contest for his town in the last few minutes of play by an unexpected and marvelous burst of speed. Those who saw the final Rat Portage-Ottawa game in Ottawa last winter and the Ottawa-Wanderer match here, will remember how McGee won both in the dying moments of the struggles. Phillips and McGee are of the kind that never think of giving up, and that work the harder the greater the odds against them. McGee goes into a game ever running the risk of losing his eyesight, and Phillips comes out of a game looking as if he had gone through the business section of a threshing machine. Of a surety, they are hockey stars of the first magnitude and lovers of the game have to see them long in it. It is pleasing to be able to record that both boys refuse to get swelled heads; that they are modest and unassuming, and that they are darn nice chaps."

The middleweight fight situation is getting a bit muddled, largely due to the work of the Tuxedo A. C., which makes a new match about every four days, and which has not yet proved its ability to pull off any of the 20-round contests that it is arranging. Early in the present week this club announced that it had secured O'Brien and Gus Ruhlman for a bout on March 1. Hardly had this statement been printed when it was contradicted two ways, O'Brien denying that he had ever matched or promised to match with Ruhlman, and the club denying itself by announcing an offer of a \$15,000 purse for O'Brien and Tommy Ryan. No answer has been made to this latter offer, but it is just possible that O'Brien will respond favorably, if Ryan will only hurry and tie himself up with Brusco. This latter match is not yet clinched. The talk makes it look as if Ryan is dicker with the Los Angeles Club for the purpose of booming his, the Marvin Hart show.

Auguste Hemery, winner of the Vanderbilt Cup race, driving his eight-cylinder 200-horse power Darrack, which is entered in the Ormond beach races, covered a kilometer (five-eighths of a mile) in :20 3-5. This record, which breaks the world's mark, was made in Paris last Saturday. Baras, with a mark of :21 2-5, held the record for one kilometer previous to Hemery's attempt, though Earp tied it last August at the Black Pool meeting in England.

Hemery is trying out his new machine in preparation for the Ormond-Daytona races, which begin Jan. 22, and in which he will be a competitor. The machine showed an approximate speed of a mile in :33, which for that distance alone is about one second slower than the record, made by H. L. Bowden, at Ormond last winter, in :32 4-5.

It took the sheriff and a bunch of deputies to save Hod Stuart at Houghton, Mich., the other night. We pass that professional hockey game up. Prize fighting for ours.

For real, downright, wooden-headed stupidity commend us to a professional hockey player. At the pace they are setting in that professional league, many players will soon be permanently laid out, and then there will be the others come from. The Americans have the reform fever very bad right now, and they will not stand for much more hockey such as they are getting now. For real roughness it can beat football several centuries, when it gets going right.

The Windsor track, recently bought by George Hendrie, will see some good racing this coming year, if the programme is carried out as outlined. There will be seven stake events, with perhaps another one added. The six present stakes for Highland Park to be transferred to the Windsor track are Frontier, for 3-year-olds, valued at \$2,500; International Steeplechase, a handicap event with a value of \$1,200; the Royal Oak Farm stake for 2-year-olds, \$1,500; Highland Park selling stake, for 2-year-olds and upward, \$1,500; Detroit Stake, selling event for 2-year-olds, \$1,500, and the Michigan Stake, a \$1,500 handicap for all ages.

Whether or not there will be a harness meeting at Windsor this summer has not been decided. The matter will be discussed later. It is likely, however, that the usual Windsor meeting will be held the week previous to the Blue Ribbon meet.

The Japs are going to have a race track at Yokohama. Beating the bookies will make the capture of Port Arthur look like a holiday excursion.

NELSON AND BRITT HAVE LITTLE GABFEST

Fighters fleet, But Do Nothing But Glare and Bluff About What They Can Do.

New York, Jan. 5.—One of the incidents of the meeting between Battling Nelson and Terry McGovern was the game of growl between Jimmy Britt and Nelson and the latter's manager, Billy Nolan. As soon as McGovern and Nelson had settled their affairs satisfactorily, Britt asked for the fight with Nelson.

Then came up "Iron Jaw" Nolan, full of determination. "Nelson will never fight you until the \$5,000 due him for the third of the picture privileges at the last fight has been paid," he declared.

Britt protested that the debt was Coffroth's, not his own. He owned one-third, and there his interest ended. "It doesn't make any difference," interrupted Nelson. "We have been skinned and you don't get a fight with me until the Britt-Coffroth combination makes good."

Britt rose to heights of oratory that might have swayed a political convention into line, but Nolan sat in his chair as immovable as a man full of turkey and mince pie.

Britt explained, argued, jollied, roared, defied—ran the whole gamut—almost got into an impromptu fist fight with Nelson across the table, but Nolan smiled.

Finally James threw a certified check for \$2,500 on the table and offered it as a forfeit to meet Nelson a month after the McGovern match, on his own terms. Nolan pulled a roll out of his pants pocket, pulled off a thousand-dollar bill and handed it to George Considine. Then more discussion. At last a paper was drawn up and signed by Britt and Nelson in person. In it the two agreed to make a match within two days after the Nelson-McGovern fight, winner take all, providing Coffroth, Graneby, Britt or somebody paid meantime.

"The one thing I want in the world is to fight you again," said Britt, glaring at Nelson.

"I want to fight you, too," replied the Dana.

"I know I can lick you," said Britt, glaring some more.

"I can lick you again, all right," declared Nelson, breathing hard.

At this moment a bird of peace, in the person of Joe Humphreys, intervened. Joe explained that he wanted both Nelson and Britt preserved for Terry McGovern, and the meeting broke up amicably.

BASEBALL.

MAY STOP SUNDAY GAMES.

Cincinnati, Jan. 5.—Baseball managers, who had figured on playing their Sunday games in Kentucky in the event Sunday ball playing was abolished by the Ohio legislature, which seems not improbable, were today given a jolt when information came that a Sunday baseball bill had been introduced in the Kentucky legislature.

Of the many amusements that it was thought would come under the Sunday legal ban, baseball, it was said, had the least to fear, because managers planned to play their games just across the river in Kentucky. The Kentucky bill provides for the prohibition of both baseball and football.

SHORTSTOP TO QUIT GAME.

Lafayette, Pa., Jan. 5.—Edward Abbotto, the Boston shortstop, who lives here, has announced to his friends that he will not play baseball any more, at least not outside his home team.

"Batty" is to become a real hotel owner. He is to step into the property of his father here as sole proprietor on condition that he quits the diamond for good.

PULLIAM'S LATEST BULLETIN.

New York, Jan. 5.—President Pulliam, of the National Baseball League, tonight announced the following contracts and releases: Contracts—With Philadelphia, L. L. Harper, M. J. Doolin, Joseph A. Ward, Clarence H. Munson, Harry Kane, James Brady, Chester A. Crist, with Pittsburgh, Arthur E. Meier, Harry Newmyer; with Cincinnati, Carl Drusot, Releases—By Chicago to Cincinnati, John Lobert; by Cincinnati to Columbus, Thomas W. Walker. Cincinnati will not complete its draft of Van Ande from Canton and Johns from Dayton.

If some men were paid only for what they know they would never possess more than 20 cents.

Seventh Regt. Team Defeats Seaforth In Opening Game of Season by 10 to 3

Despite Lack of Practice, the "Sojers" Did Unexpectedly Well—Visitors Fast.

The local hockey season opened last evening, when the Seventh Regiment team defeated the Seaforth team in an intermediate O. H. A. game by a score of 10 to 3. A good crowd witnessed the game.

The game was far better than was expected. Both teams were very shy of work, and did not seem accustomed to their skates. The stick-handling was not up to mid-season standard, and the shooting was erratic. All these faults were not due to lack of ability, but to lack of practice, and will be overcome. The pace was quite fast at times, and the forwards stuck to it manfully. The forwards showed a commendable desire for combination work and were quite unselfish.

The Seventh team surprised its friends. That defense of theirs is all to the velvet. Ken Casselman scintillated. He was always in his place, lifting and rushing with rare judgment. His work was easily the feature. McLennan, at cover, is a find. He is strong, a good check, splendid rusher, and feeds his forwards well. He checks hard, but does not rough it. He is not in good condition, and was not always sure on his skates, but both faults will be corrected in time. Reynolds put up good work.

The forwards did not get going right at the start. They did not combine, and were over-anxious, skating over the puck repeatedly. Seaforth had much the better of it for the first fifteen minutes, but after McLennan scored the first goal it was all off with the northern chaps. Abram and McMahon did some nice work. They worked in several combination rushes that resulted in scores. They followed up well and succeeded in batting in a few goals that Weston stopped, but could not clear. Carrothers and Woodley were badly out of condition, and their work was not up to the standard. They did not follow up fast, and their

shooting was off-color. Both are expected to improve.

Seaforth Star a Kid.

The bright star of the Seaforth bunch is young Sturtart. He is only a kid, but he can go some. He looks like a good one. He can shoot and can skate, and will improve wonderfully. During the last fifteen minutes of the game he was the whole works and kept the Londoners going some. Reeves, at center, is a good man, and so is Sills, on the left wing. Smithers, the rover, is fair. In fact, the whole forward line is very little, if any, slower than London's. At times their work was much better. They lacked confidence, especially after losing the first goal. Seaforth's defense was very weak. The coverpoint and point were lost. They could neither check, lift nor rush. Weston, in goal, stopped a lot of shots, but was a trifle slow in clearing. He has a bad habit of dropping on his knees when in a tight place. With a strict referee he would have been desirable for the fence some of the time.

Game Not Rough.

The game was not rough, not a man being ruled off. McLennan got a hat over the eye, but there were no other injuries. Cully Farnsworth, of Woodstock, refereed. His work was not perfect, but the team showed any disposition to rough it. He missed a few off-sides.

The game started off with Seaforth down on the Seventh's goal, but could not locate the London forwards. After fifteen minutes' play McLennan beat the Seaforth goalkeeper by a splendid lift from center. "McKee" McMahon took the puck just after the Seaforth bunch scored the second one by a beautiful shot.

The "sojers" slammed in four other goals in the first half, and had the northern boys completely on the defense. In the second half, however, the Seaforth forwards showed some very fair work during this period.

The half ended with the score standing Seventh Regiment 6, Seaforth 0.

Second Half Was Close.

The second half was much closer, and Seaforth had a little the better of

STRATHCONAS WON IN EXTRA TIME

Great Game Marks Opening at Smith's Falls—A Fast Match at Plattsville.

Smith's Falls, Jan. 5.—The O. H. A. championship season was opened here last night in a game in group No. 1, intermediate series, between the Strathconas of Smith's Falls, and the Perth team. It was a great contest, and twenty minutes extra time was required to furnish a winner. At half-time Perth led by 1 goal to 0. The Strathconas evened up in the second half, scoring the only goal of the period. Referee John Wilson, of Perth, ordered the teams to play extra time, and after twenty minutes of lightning fast hockey, the Strathconas scored the winning goal. The goal was fairly clean.

BRANTFORD LOSES EXHIBITION.

Brantford, Jan. 5.—In a Juniors exhibition game here tonight Brantford lost to Guelph by 5 goals to 2.

The game was to have been scheduled O. H. A. game, but since the Royal City players could not get within the age limit, Brantford met the game by default. The game tonight was fairly fast hockey, though loose in spots.

The line-up: Brantford—Wall, goal; Winters, point; Canfield, cover; Bowers, rover; Buck, Oliver, and Givin, forwards. Guelph—Cullen, goal; Koyl, point; Irving, cover; Dance, rover; Savage, Fyle and Buchanan, forwards.

PORTAGE BEAT VICS.

Winnipeg, Jan. 5.—In the game between the Victorias of Winnipeg and Portage la Prairie team tonight, Portage won by a score of 8 to 6. At half-time the score was 6 to 4. In favor of Portage. Soon after the second half started the Vics tied the score, and might have won, had not Hanne, their coverpoint, been so aggressive, and as a result, penalized so often, he being on the fence most of the time. He smote one of the Portage men hard and put him out of business until a physician was summoned and restored him to playing condition.

SOME CLOSE CHECKING.

Tavistock, Ont., Jan. 5.—In a fast and exciting W. O. H. A. game here tonight, Tavistock went down before Plattsville by a score of 7 to 6. The rink being small, the checking was very close, and both teams could not get down to combination work, although some brilliant play was done by both sides.

NO ICE AT FIVE PLACES.

Ingersoll, Jan. 5.—The O. H. A. intermediate match scheduled for tonight, between Brantford and Ingersoll, was postponed on account of no ice.

Paris, Jan. 5.—The O. H. A. intermediate match between Stratford and Paris, scheduled for tonight, was called off; no ice.

Niagara-on-the-Lake, Jan. 5.—The Niagara District Hockey League match, between Niagara Falls South and Niagara-on-the-Lake teams, which was scheduled for tonight, was postponed. No ice.

Niagara Falls, Jan. 5.—There was no ice for the scheduled hockey match between Niagara Falls and St. Catharines tonight.

Goderich, Ont., Jan. 5.—The O. H. A. intermediate match between Goderich and Goderich, scheduled for tonight, was postponed. No ice.

WATERLOO-OXFORD SCHEDULE.

Ayr, Jan. 5.—The following schedule was drawn up at the meeting of the Waterloo-Oxford County Hockey League today.

Jan. 9—Ayr at Drumbo.

JAN. 5—PLATTSVILLE AT TAVISTOCK.

Jan. 11—Tavistock at Ayr.

Jan. 12—New Hamburg at Plattsville.

Jan. 13—Drumbo at Tavistock.

Jan. 19—Ayr at New Hamburg.

Jan. 25—Plattsville at Ayr.

Jan. 26—New Hamburg at Drumbo.

Feb. 1—Tavistock at New Hamburg.

Feb. 2—Drumbo at Plattsville.

Feb. 8—Ayr at Tavistock.

Feb. 9—Plattsville at New Hamburg.

Feb. 15—Drumbo at Ayr.

Feb. 16—Tavistock at Plattsville.

Feb. 20—New Hamburg at Ayr.

Feb. 20—Tavistock at Drumbo.

Feb. 23—Drumbo at New Hamburg.

Feb. 23—Ayr at Plattsville.

Feb. 27—Plattsville at Drumbo.

March 2—New Hamburg at Tavistock.

THE TURF.

Sheldonsville, Tenn., Jan. 5.—Judge Richardson, of this circuit, in the case of the state vs. Erickson et al, yesterday held the Rice-Ligon act, prohibiting betting on horse races in Tennessee, to be unconstitutional. The case will go to the supreme court.

A FALL AT ORELEANS.

New Orleans, Jan. 5.—Chub, Guiding, Star and Ruth W. were the winning favorites at the fair grounds today. An unweildy field faced the starter in the first race, which was marked by jostling and crowding all the way. Passing the half-mile, Decolful Lady fell, and Peter Becker, stumbling over her, unseated Moreland, his rider. Horses and boys escaped injury. In the third race St. Cloud, the favorite, was crowded out at the start. Weather clear, track slow.

OFFICERS RE-ELECTED.

Detroit, Jan. 5.—At the annual meeting of the Highland Park Jockey Club, the old officers were re-elected. The programme at Windsor will not be definitely decided until after the meeting of the American Turf Association, the latter part of next month. It is possible that two short meetings will be held here. The association, however, will furnish attractions that will draw the best horses; one of possibly two new stakes will be added. The harness meeting has not yet been definitely decided upon, but it is likely that one will be held during the early part of July. It is expected that the same officials who handled the running races last season will do so this year. Judges Price, Nelson and Marrow, in the stand, and Holtman and Dwyer as starters.

REFORMERS HAVE BEEN FIGHTING

FOOTBALL FOR THOUSAND YEARS

President Roosevelt is not the first ruler who has issued edicts against football.

In 1814 King Edward II. issued this proclamation: "Forasmuch as there is a great noise in the city caused by the hustling of large balls from which many evils might arise, which God forbid, we command and forbid on the half of the King, on pain of imprisonment, such games to be used in the city in the future."

This silenced the knackers of the day.

Rough and unladylike may be the sport today, but is nothing to what it was 600 years ago. Then kicks in the stomach, broken heads, strained tendons and bruised muscles were of a frequent occurrence.

James I. was also "set" against the game. He was a patron of sports like Roosevelt, but unlike the States' chief executive he was afraid that his son and heir would be hurt in some of the scrimmages.

He accordingly decreed: "From this court I debar all such rough and violent exercises as the football."

Football in all ages has run more or less counter of the law. The present agitation in which American state legislatures, city councils and college trustees threaten to prohibit the game are but reflections of earlier actions by the English authorities.

Football was vigorously squelched by a Scottish act in 1477. In 1481 another act was issued condemning football and golf and prohibiting them as sport. Sunday games were the fashion in the sixteenth century. Shrove Tuesday afterward became the great day.

It was a common thing for the crowds which turned out for the great matches to club the officials and to run riot in a manner which made a modern football demonstration look like a Sunday School picnic.

Matters went from bad to worse until people got tired reading the list of dead and injured. Kicking in the shins was one of the finer points of the game until 1872.

Reformers have been fighting football for 1,000 years, yet the game still survives. The little flurry in 1906 and 1907 will probably amount to about as much as all the other crusades—nothing except to eliminate some of the trickery and brutality.

the play, although they had scarcely such good luck in shooting.

McMahon and Abram broke away shortly after play had started, and Abram batted it in after Mickey made a shot.

The next goal was due to a splendid rush by Casselman, who went the full length of the rink, Abram taking the pass, and doing the needful.

McMahon got in another of his lone rushes, and landed the puck in the net by a good shot.

Seaforth got the next on a long shot from near center. It was one of the prettiest shots of the game.

The next goal went to the Seventh, when the forwards got busy, and Abram landed the shot.

After that it was all Seaforth. They had the London boys fanning the air. McMahon and Kid Sturtart got in line, and the juvenile hit the seine by a swell shot.

Then Baby Sturtart took the lone-some feeling, and grabbing the puck from Carrothers, he sidestepped the whole bunch, and shot a beauty. That ended the scoring, although Reynolds and Casselman were busy for some time.

The lineup was as follows: Seventh Regiment (10)—Goal, Reynolds; point, Casselman; coverpoint, McLennan; rover, Abram; center, McMahon; right wing, Carrothers; left wing, W. Woolley.

Seaforth (3)—Goal, Weston; point, Case; coverpoint, McKenzie; rover, Smithers; center, Reeves; right wing, Sturtart; left wing, Sills.

Referee—Cully Farnsworth, Woodstock.

GOALS SCORED—FIRST HALF.

1. Seventh Regiment, McLennan. 2. Seventh Regiment, McMahon. 3. Seventh Regiment, Abram. 4. Seventh Regiment, Carrothers. 5. Seventh Regiment, McMahon. 6. Seventh Regiment, Abram.

SECOND HALF.

7. Seventh Regiment, McMahon. 8. Seventh Regiment, Abram. 9. Seventh Regiment, McMahon. 10. Seventh Regiment, Abrams. 11. Seventh Regiment, Abrams. 12. Seaforth, Sturtart. 13. Seaforth, Sturtart.

BERLIN HAD BEST

OF OPENING GAME

Dutch Colts and Galt Mixed Things Freely—Former Had Best of the Play.

Berlin, Jan. 5.—The O. H. A. intermediate series started off on scheduled time tonight, when Galt and the "Dutch" Colts played a fast and exciting game, resulting in a victory for the locals by a score of 8 to 2.

Berlin had the best of the game throughout, their forwards pressing the visiting defense almost continually, and Linton in goal and Dennis at point did land office business, relieving numerous well directed shots.

The game was characterized by much rough play, especially body checking, in which Berlin was the chief transgressor, particularly in the first half. At one time three players, McGinnis, Brinkert and Rosekat, were on the fence, but there was no scoring.

In the second half Galt tried to score and indulged in considerable slashing and tripping, Broomfield being the chief offender. He was penalized twice.

Berlin scored 3 in the first half and 5 in the second period, Dumart scoring four times, McGinnis three and Brinkert once. Galt scored one in each half, Brady and Kent doing the tallying.

Referee Codling, of Galt, was roasted quite freely by the crowd in the first half, but in the second half his work was satisfactory and impartial.

For Berlin Rosekat, McGinnis, Dumart and Brinkert were stars, while Kent, Broomfield and Dennis shone for the visitors. About 700 spectators witnessed the game. The teams:

Berlin. Galt. Ellis. Goal. Linton. Rosekat. Point. Dennis. J. Seibert. Cover. Flannigan. Brinkert. Forward. Pickard. Cochran. Forward. Brady. Dumart. Forward. Kent. McGinnis. Forward. Broomfield.

Orillia, Jan. 5.—The second day's ice races resulted as follows:

2:35 class—1, Little Diamond, A. Fraser, Orillia; 2, Little Jap, H. Cooke, Peterboro; 3, Maybe, H. Laidley, Cookstown. Time, 2:34 1/2, 2:35, 2:34.

Free-for-all—1, Cleopatra, G. Powell, Orillia; 2, Hal Patrin, Tracy, Orillia; 3, Gracey Pointer, H. Burke, North Bay; 4, Helen R., J. Doran, North Bay. Time, 2:24, 2:22 1/2, and 2:20 1/2.

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Fire-eater of the House.

On a quiet day in the House, when the atmosphere was that of hard work, Mr. Gourley would often argue with clearness and closeness, that showed the power of his mind, and accounted for the extensive law practice which he enjoyed. But these were but times when the House and country took little notice of him. He was commonly known as the fire-eater of the House.

When some public question was under discussion, particularly one regarding Canada's autonomy, or her relations with foreign powers, Mr. Gourley would start off quietly, but as the speech proceeded the sounds of applause and dissent were like the roll of war drums in his ears and he would launch out into a flow of denunciation of everything that stood in the way of what he took to be the patriotic course.

Part of these outpourings was doubtless good-natured bombast, but underneath there was a current earnestness that carried him on further, and further, and finally as the excitement grew would sweep him off his feet altogether.

Again and again he would deliver a good, compact, logical speech, make his points and be ready to sit down, when the pressure of applause and the shouts of the opposite side would bring the old fire into his eye and start him off on an harangue that would set the House cheering, laughing and banging desks in a minute.

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START WAS BLACK EYE FOR WOODSTOCK

Debut Into Senior Hockey Not Attended With Brilliant Results—Lost 9 to 2.

Woodstock, Jan. 5.—Woodstock's debut into senior hockey tonight was not attended with very brilliant results to the locals.

By 9 goals to 2 they were defeated by the St. George's, of Toronto.

The sticky ice prevented fast play on either side, but the visitors gave evidence of decided speed. Occasional combination and many rushes marked their play. They showed the effects of their northern trip, while the locals by their almost complete lack of practice were away from the game.

There is, however, good talent on the local team, and with more team work they should gain a place in their series.

Arday, in goal for the visitors, took everything in sight, but, owing to the inability of the locals to find the goal, he had few hard shots. He cleared many nice tries, however, in fine style. McArthur went to the fence often, and Sales played a fast game on the line.

For the locals, McLellan, at point, worked hard. Lalonde and Montgomery, a graduate from the Juniors, played hard the first half. McLay and Foley were off color. Alrey stopped some hard ones in goal.