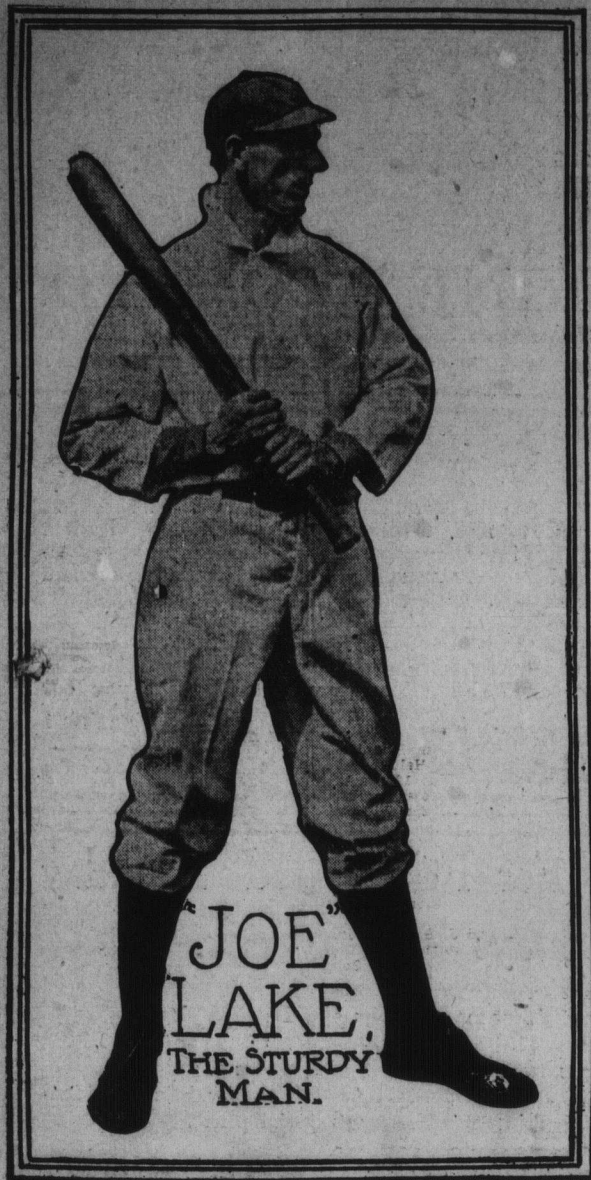


THE STANDARD'S BASEBALL GALLERY FOR SEASON 1909



Introducing "Sturdy Joe" Lake, and he doesn't care who knows it, because he is playing good ball for the Highlanders just now, and feels much at home in New York. It makes a great deal of difference in this baseball business whether one happens to be with a club that is at the top or bottom.

Lake begins the present year with an arm that is in good condition, and that is half the battle. The photographer declined to take him posing as a pitcher. The reason for this is not due to prejudice on the part of the photographer, but to admiration.

He was present at American League Park on the afternoon that Lake hit the ball down to the fence for three bases. "It doesn't make any difference whether that player is a pitcher or a catcher," said the photographer. "He looks to me like a batter and he's going to be photographed as the coming slugger, even if he wins the championship of the American League as a pitcher."

There isn't a doubt but this will be a satisfactory to Lake as if he had been caught with his arm twisted around his neck throwing a drop. Anyhow, he has a good start for 1909, both in pitching and batting.

HOLMER LOST TO MEADOWS THROUGH BEING OVERTRAINED

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The steady gain that Meadows was making on his opponent commenced to worry Hans, and at the first lap of the 11th mile the Guelph man took the lead and the local runner showed the results of the over-training he has been doing during the past week.

Lapped on the 13th mile Meadows was now the pacemaker, and he certainly distinguished himself as one of the best long distance runners in the game today. In the 13th mile he commenced to lap Holmer, who was now making a game struggle to keep in the race, being clearly in distress.

Holmer walked after the first lap of the 14th mile, after Meadows had gained four laps on him and adding another before the race finished.

The winner of last year's Telegraph race finished with a burst of speed that made the crowd on the grand stand sit up and take notice.

Holmer Overtrained

When asked after the race how he felt he replied that he could run fifteen miles more. Hans Holmer's reply to the same question was that he did his best and his training of late was too much for him. The official time announced was 1 hour, 24 minutes and 56 seconds.

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PROSPECTS OF U.N.B. TRACK TEAM HAVE IMPROVED VERY MUCH WITHIN THE PAST WEEK

Fredericton, May 12.—The prospects of the U. N. B. track team have improved considerably during the past few days and it now looks like the Red and Black will give a good account of itself at Moncton on the 28th. When the track meet was first thought of early in the spring it was conceded that U. N. B. was regrettably weak in sprinters. Since that time, however, several men have developed and U. N. B. is expected to do fairly well in the sprints.

Sprinters.

Jack McNair, who plays "third quarter" on the Rugby team, has shown up the best among the sprinters and is expected to stick close to Moland, Acadia's star sprinter. Deves, Burchill and Capt. Brooks are training for the sprints as is also Willis, formerly of St. John High School.

Distance Runners.

The local college has been hit hard by the Marathon craze and the result is that there is a big bunch of mile-runners in training. Landry is of course expected to lead the U. N. B. string but M. R. Smith, Connelly, Willis and half a dozen others are working hard for second place.

Some Good Jumpers.

In both high and broad jumps the U. N. B. squad is doing some fair

work. Capt. Brooks in the high is jumping pretty well up to 5 feet 6 inches and will do that well if not better at Moncton if there are no accidents. Spicer, Robinson and Dixon are also in this event. In the broad jump a couple of men are going well over 20 feet with others close to that figure.

Pole Vaulters.

Joe Dever and "Ike" Spicer will again be in the pole vault and are looked upon as point-winners. Armstrong is the man for the quarter-mile and hurdles. He is doing well in training.

The Weights.

Big "Cap" Deedes is getting the hammer over 110 feet and the way things look at present that throw is good for points. Lank has been putting the shot in good style. Deedes and a couple of others are showing up well in this event.

Weather Unfavorable.

So far the weather has been very unfavorable and outdoor work has been done only within the last few days.

The university meet is to be held on Victoria Day and the interest taken in it now points to one of the most successful meets ever held at the college.

INTERSCHOLASTIC TRACK MEET TO BE HELD IN SAINT JOHN ON WEDNESDAY JUNE 9

Arrangements were completed yesterday for the interscholastic track meet. The meet will be held on the Every Day Club grounds, this city, on Wednesday, June 9. Fredericton is said to have made a strong bid for the meet, but the trustees of the Rothesay Cup have decided that St. John, on account of its central location, is the most convenient place in which to hold the meet.

Fredericton H. S. Team.

The cup holders, Fredericton High School, have a strong team, the personnel of which has been mentioned before by The Standard. The Yellow and Black will make a most determined effort to land the mug again.

The Local Teams.

The Fredericton team will have

sturdy opponents in Rothesay College and St. John High School, both of which will be strong teams. A. W. Covey is coaching the local High School and reports some great material.

Other Contestants.

Moncton High School had a team at the meet last spring, but it is doubtful if the school will be represented this year.

Other schools in the province have corresponded with local people concerning the meet and entries from Woodstock and Chatham are not unlikely.

Last year's interscholastic meet was a great success and it is to be hoped that the meet will be firmly established as an annual event. Present indications point toward that.

IS MELLODY A PUGILISTIC HAS BEEN?

Willie Lewis' quick victory over Honey Mellody in Paris Saturday night, seems to prove that Honey is all in. Mellody's idea in going to Paris was to pick up some easy money for the match with Lewis and thought he had the easiest thing ever. For Honey has knocked Lewis out twice, once in two and once in four rounds, and in their second meeting had Lewis beaten and scared to death as soon as he entered the ring.

Should Have Stayed Out

It is too bad that Mellody could not persist in keeping in retirement. It is the old case of the pitcher going to the well after it could no longer hold water.

Ferguson the Goods.

And while Mellody was defeated, Sandy Ferguson, who was a fighter of prominence when Honey was only a preliminary boy, made good in his first bout in Paris, knocking Yves Herli Hall, the English heavyweight, in one round at Paris Saturday night. Hall wasn't a hard proposition, quite evidently, but the bout at least served to show that Sandy still retains his wallop and is keeping in condition.

SHERRING MAY RACE SHRUBB IN MONTREAL

An arrangement has been made with Pat. Powers for race in Montreal between Sherring and Shrubbs. Yves Herli Hall, the English heavyweight, is for the world's championship, should Sherring retain his old time form which he has.

Abbie Wood is favorite in Montreal with Sherring, with Sherring close on him for public choice.

Simpson, after his recent good race in New York, is expected to be a contender.

The promoters expect a couple more of good entries from New York. Rugby Sport.

CANADIAN SPORTING BRIEFS

Hamilton expects Bobby Kerr's meet on Saturday to be the biggest thing of its kind that ever was pulled off in that city. To date 12 centres have been received. Twelve members of the 1908 Canadian Olympic team will be on hand. Schert, the Toronto crack quarter-miler will be on deck for a brush with Kerr.

"Chaucer" Elliott, athletic director of the Montreal A. A., well known as an athlete and football coach was married the other day.

Reserve, Catalonia, Glace Bay, and Dominion are the teams likely to be entered in the Glace Bay Baseball League this season. The organization meeting will be held tonight.

The building committee of the North West Arm Rowing Club a few days ago laid out the site for the new

MODIFIED MARATHON THE THING

Arthur Duffy writes: "has the Marathon craze run its course? That's the question that has been brought up by the many minor athletic organizations that are now promoting what is known as the 'modified Marathon.' How we can have any other race than a contest over the full Marathon distance of 26 miles, 385 yards, or 25 miles, is a pretty hard question for the writer to fathom. It looks that the hustling promoters are evidently winking in the word Marathon for a puller, and incidentally bringing into disrepute what has heretofore been known as one of the most classic of athletic events."

Modified Marathons.

"Martin Sheridan seems to have been the originator of such a term, for the Olympic champion cut the distance from 26 miles 385 yards to 15 miles and termed it the 'modified' Marathon. Sheridan's success at the new distance, which was won by Jimmy Lee in New York Sunday, and which now is to be followed by another such modified Marathon of 15 miles, proves that the interest in the long contest is gradually waning, and what the athletic public wants is contest not over the 15-mile route. It will be a welcome change from the long grind, let's trust we will see no more contests at the 15-mile distance instead of the longer route."

DIAMOND GLINTS.

George Stone, the heavy hitting St. Louis outfielder, has wrenched his angle and will probably be out of the game for several weeks.

Pitcher Cantwell of Georgetown is to join the Cincinnati team on his eastern trip. He may be given an early trial as he has been working well for the collegians.

McAleer has had his Browns playing the old army game, with result that the fans in St. Louis are howling for more speed on the bases and a less conservative method of taking chances.

Bill Abstein, first baseman of the Porates, is in the hospital with tonsillitis. Hamilton Hyatt, who came to Pittsburgh from the Northwest league, will cover first base for a week or ten days.

HARVARD DROPS BASKETBALL

Harvard will no longer be represented by a basketball team. This is the result of a vote taken by the Harvard athletic committee Tuesday evening. The athletic committee has nothing to say about its action in abolishing the sport other than the basketball was exceedingly unpopular.

The Harvard undergraduates come largely from private preparatory schools where basketball is not played, and this accounts for the lack of interest in the sport.

Already between thirty-five and forty nominations have been received for the Fredericton Midsummer Racing Meet. Nominations close on Saturday.

Joe Kelley has announced that the next time his team plays in Baltimore it will take the three games of the series. Kelley is a resident of Baltimore, and chuckles with fenshish glee whenever the Toronto team wins from the Orioles.

PA RUDDINHEAD BY J.P. COLLINS

"I'll lay this coming Valentine here so far can get it when he goes out!"

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"The fans are even now talking of your valentine. They know the good and bad points about every man in your team. The lengthy discussions, comparisons and predictions are worthy of dyed-in-the-wool Wellington Rugby fanatics. They talk sleep and eat football!"—Vancouver World.

shell and bathing house north of the club building on the Arm near the end of South Street and let contracts for erection of the building. F. Mosher & Sons for building the crib work and Walter Lownds for erection of the building. The latter will be 55 feet by 25 feet with 10 foot wings on each side. It will contain shell boat room, dressing rooms for oarsmen and bathers and baths. On the roof will be a grand stand from which a good view of the club race course can be had.—Halifax Echo.

"It is rumored that the Edmonton hockey club will again challenge for the Stanley Cup next year. The team made an excellent showing in the season just ended capturing 20 out of the 21 games played and if they have secured Lester and Frank Patrick, as they are said to have done, with the talent already on hand will have a team that should make things warm for any eastern aggregation."

The North Sydney Y. M. C. A. will hold a meet on Victoria Day. The senior events are as follows: 100 yards, 220 yards, 440 yards, 880 yards, 1 mile, high jump, broad jump, pole vault, shot put, hop-step-jump.

Tom Holmes, the well known driver is training on the Chatham track.

The five mile road race to be held at Sydney on May 24 is attracting great attention. Cape Breton will be well represented among the entries and it is expected that some long distance men from Halifax and St. John will enter.

The directors of the Fredericton track have decided to allow the Gentlemen's Driving Club to hold matinee races on Victoria Day.

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MARATHON AT CAPITAL LAST NIGHT

Fredericton, N. B., May 12.—The first Marathon of the season was run tonight over a three mile course with the finish of over 1-2 mile in the Arc-

tic rink, where the Victoria Baseball Club was holding a festival to raise funds for placing the team in the inter-provincial league. Sandy Staples as starter sent 15 runners under 18 years of age away over the course.

Tommy Coward, winner of several events last season, won easily, his time being 14 minutes, 51 seconds. The first prize was a suit of clothes donated by C. H. Thomas, of Oak Hall, an enthusiastic baseball supporter. Norman Gough finished second, with Ralph McKenzie third and Fred Titus fourth.

Moncton has reorganized its city baseball league. Three teams will be entered.

