

# Local and Foreign Sporting News Notes

## WITH THE CURLERS YESTERDAY

The ice was in excellent condition yesterday in the different curling rinks and the curlers who competed in matches were fully satisfied. There was no regular match in the St. Andrew's rink, although a few scratch matches were curled by members who happened to drop in during the afternoon or evening for a few hours.

**President vs. Vice-President.**  
The return match of the president vs. vice-president was curled in the Thistle and Carleton rinks. In these matches, they being the first of the season, every member of the club is listed to play, but all do not put in an appearance with the result that the original rinks are greatly changed.

**The Thistle Rink.**  
At the Thistle rink there was curling in the morning and afternoon with a total of six rinks aside. The result of the day's play gave the victory to the vice-president with a score of 64 to 36. The scores by skips follow:

|                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Morning.            |                |
| President           | Vice-President |
| G. S. Bishop.....8  | S. W. Palmer   |
| H. G. Olive.....7   | R. S. Orchard  |
| F. A. McAndrews     | D. R. Willett  |
| Afternoon.          |                |
| W. A. Shaw.....12   | J. C. Chesley  |
| A. W. Sharpe.....3  | W. J. Shaw     |
| D. McClelland.....2 | W. J. S. Myles |
| Total.....36        |                |
| Total.....64        |                |

**The Carleton Club.**  
Four rinks aside curled in Carleton, the games being in the morning, afternoon and evening. The result of the day's play gave a victory to the president by a score of 54 to 40. The scores by skips follow:

|                     |                |
|---------------------|----------------|
| Morning.            |                |
| President           | Vice-President |
| S. Irons.....14     | H. Lingley     |
| Afternoon.          |                |
| M. Beattie.....17   | C. Coater      |
| J. Scott.....13     | S. M. Wetmore  |
| Evening.            |                |
| Harry Belyea.....10 | J. F. Belyea   |
| Total.....54        |                |
| Total.....94        |                |

## JEFF SMITH BEATS FRANK MANTELL

Baltimore, Jan. 1.—Jeff Smith, middleweight champion of Europe, won a fifteen round bout on points here today from Frank Mantell, of Dayton, Ohio.

## COULON GETS BETTER OF JOE WAGNER

New York, Jan. 1.—Johnny Coulon, the Chicago bantamweight and former world's champion, cleverly outpointed Joe Wagner, a local bantam who defeated Coulon four years ago, in a ten-round bout here today. Coulon weighed 112 pounds and Wagner 118½.

## CHARLIE WHITE KNOCKS OUT HARRY DONAHUE.

Rochester, N. Y., Jan. 1.—Charley White of Chicago knocked out Harry Donahue of Peoria, Ill., in the sixth round of a scheduled ten-round bout here this afternoon.

## NEW LEAGUE UMPIRE.

New York, Dec. 28.—William E. (Kitty) Bransfield, former Pittsburgh and Philadelphia National League player, has been appointed umpire by Pres. Tener of the National League, it was announced here this afternoon. Bransfield has been an umpire for the last three years. In 1916 he umpired in the International League.

## OPEN HOUSE AND ATHLETIC MEET AT THE Y. M. C. A.

Friends of the Local Y. M. C. A. Made Welcome Yesterday—Reception and Luncheon in the Afternoon—Athletic Events and Basketball Throughout the Day.

Yesterday was open day at the Y. M. C. A. and from early morning until late last night there was something doing all the time. The entire staff were kept busy looking after the welfare of the visiting friends, and in the afternoon the ladies' auxiliary served luncheon from four until five-thirty. Athletic meets were held morning, afternoon and evening, and three games of basketball were played.

**In the Morning.**  
The first event in the morning was a basketball game between the dormitory men, 4th floor vs. 3rd floor, which was won by the men of the 3rd floor by the score of 13 to 3. The line-up was:

|               |           |            |           |
|---------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| 4th Floor.    |           | 3rd Floor. |           |
| Dawson        | Forwards. | Farquhar   | Forwards. |
| Norman        | Centre.   | Samms      | Centre.   |
| W. Fitzgerald | Guards.   | Blako      | Guards.   |

A mixed bowling match was held between the following teams:  
Mr. Norman Str. Farquhar  
Miss Thompson Miss E. Leonard  
Mr. Bennett Mr. Treat  
Miss V. Leonard Mrs. Treat

**In the Evening.**  
The first event in the evening was the annual basketball game between the high school and business boys, and the business boys were the victors by the score of 19 to 6. The line-up was:

|              |           |                |           |
|--------------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| High School. |           | Business Boys. |           |
| Ketchum      | Forwards. | Willet         | Forwards. |
| M. White     | Centre.   | Jordan         | Centre.   |
| Christie     | Guards.   | Fleming        | Guards.   |

**High Jump—1st.** Anglin, H.S., 4 ft. 11 in.; 2nd, H. Wetmore, B.B., 4 ft. 10 in.; 3rd, K. Willet, H.S., 4 ft. 9 in.

**Standing hop step and jump—H. S.** all three places, 1st, S. White, 26½; A. Taylor, 25½; 3rd, Fleming, 23½.

**Five man relay race—High school won.** Time 1:20.

**In the afternoon.**  
In the afternoon on the gymnasium floor the following gave an exhibition of the work done on the horse, parallel bars and elephant: E. Ketchum, H. Wetmore, P. Cross, M. Evans and K. Cairns, after which P. Long gave an exhibition on the rings.

**The next was an exhibition of swimming.** The following tests were given: Speed, long distance under water, plunge for distance and diving. This was participated in by P. Cross, A. Gillen, P. Long, G. Burton and H. Wetmore.

**In the junior basketball league the Loyalists won from the Chippewas by the score of 12 to 7.** The line-up was:

|            |           |            |           |
|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|
| Loyalists. |           | Chippewas. |           |
| Stirling   | Forwards. | Wilkes     | Forwards. |

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## BILLY NISKE GETS BETTER OF BROWN

New York, Jan. 1.—Los Darcy the Australian middleweight champion, witnessed his first ring contest in America in Brooklyn today. He sat in a ringside box keeping close watch while Billy Niske of St. Paul and George ("Knockout") Brown of Chicago went through ten rounds of hard fighting during which the St. Paul man gave the Chicagoan a beating in eight of the ten rounds. Niske, who is prominently mentioned as an opponent for Darcy in the near future, had the advantage of height, reach and five pounds in weight but Brown withstood terrific punishment after the first two rounds which he had won and was still fighting gamely when the finishing song rang. In the sixth round Niske landed a right swinging uppercut under Brown's jaw but the Chicago man clinched and stalled on the round although groggy.

**Couldn't Make Knockout.**  
In the following round he took three short arm jolts in the same place besides some hard blows on the body but Niske could not get his right over for a knockout.

**The arrangements here are rather strange to me,** said Darcy. "You see both smoking and coaching from the corners are absolutely prohibited in Australia, but both are allowed here and the men in the ring must be weakened by inhaling such a smoke laden atmosphere."

**In another Brooklyn club** Battling Levinsky cleverly outpointed Gunboat Smith in a 10-round bout. Levinsky weighed 180½ pounds and Smith was two pounds heavier.

**Mike O'Dowd, the St. Paul middleweight, scored a decisive victory over Johnny "Kid" Alberts of Elizabeth** in nine out of ten rounds. Their respective weights were 154 and 155 pounds.

## WEYMOUTH "TAR BABY" WINNER

Kansas City, Jan. 1.—Sam Langford of Boston was awarded a referee's decision over Jim Johnson of New York at the end of a 12-round bout here this afternoon. The first four rounds were even but Langford punished Johnson severely in the remaining rounds, scoring two knock downs. The men are negro heavyweights.

## KID BURNS THE WINNER OVER GIROUX LAST NIGHT

The athletic tournament held under the auspices of the European War Veterans' Association last night at the Imperial Theatre received a fair patronage from the sporting fraternity of the city. Among the audience could be seen a sprinkling of feminine apparel, evidencing the popularity the manly art is gaining among the fair sex.

Every number started was received with enthusiasm. The entertainment opened with the National Anthem, after which the pictures of the different New Brunswick units which have gone overseas were exhibited. The pictures included Army Service Corps, commanded by Colonel A. E. Massie and Major Fred McKean; the Army Medical Corps and the Fighting 26th, which was commanded by Lieutenant-Colonel McAvity.

The Gibb children received a "good hand" in their Scotch dances. Master Gibb was most enthusiastically cheered in the Sailor's Hornpipe.

**Joe Matthews in his usual breezy character delighted the audience with his songs and dances.** The prolonged ovation compelled him to respond to the wants of the audience.

**The main attraction of the evening,** the twelve-round bout between "Kid" Burns, the clever Canadian light-weight, and Eddie Giroux, one of the premier scrappers of America, was without a doubt the best boxing bout staged in the city for many moons. Both boys were alive every second they were in the squared circle. "The gamest little fighter that ever pulled on a glove in St. John" was the popular expression around the ringside, in reference to Giroux, who was put on the shelf in the eighth round by Burns with twin left jabs to the face, a right poke, followed by a potent uppercut.

The fifth round was the most disastrous for Giroux. He withstood severe punishment throughout the entire round. It looked as though he was doomed for the count, but the plucky scrapper managed to keep his feet, coming back strong in the sixth. Although Giroux was not knocked out in the eighth, the referee seeing that he was not able to go further with the scientific Canadian, awarded the bout to the latter.

Lieutenant-Col. J. L. McAvity was the announcer for the evening. Jack Power, referee and the timers were K. J. MacRae and James Pullen.

## BASEBALL MEN WILL MEET TODAY

Cincinnati, Jan. 1.—Baseball men from almost every part of the country began gathering here tonight for the annual meeting of the National Baseball Commission tomorrow. While the committee meeting has been called for ten a. m., it is highly probable that it will be hours later before the supreme court of ball really begins its work, inasmuch as there has been a special meeting called of the club owners of the three-class A. A. leagues which has as an indicated object, the adoption of a suitable resolution for presentation to the commission asking that the drafting of players from class A. A. leagues be abolished.

While nothing official has been announced by the commission to how it will look upon this demand yet it has been unofficially indicated by President Johnson of the American League, that the request would be denied.

## Our Offer Extended A Few More Days

Because we believe that during the season of merry-making now about ended, when most folks' attention was diverted from the usual course, very many did not seriously consider the exceptional opportunity which we have been offering, we are therefore extending the closing date of this offer from Dec. 30th to January 13th.

When January 13th comes around there will be no further extension. After that date all subscriptions must be at the regular rate of \$3.00 per year and we are very much afraid this rate will not prevail much longer, owing to the phenomenal increase in the cost of producing a newspaper.

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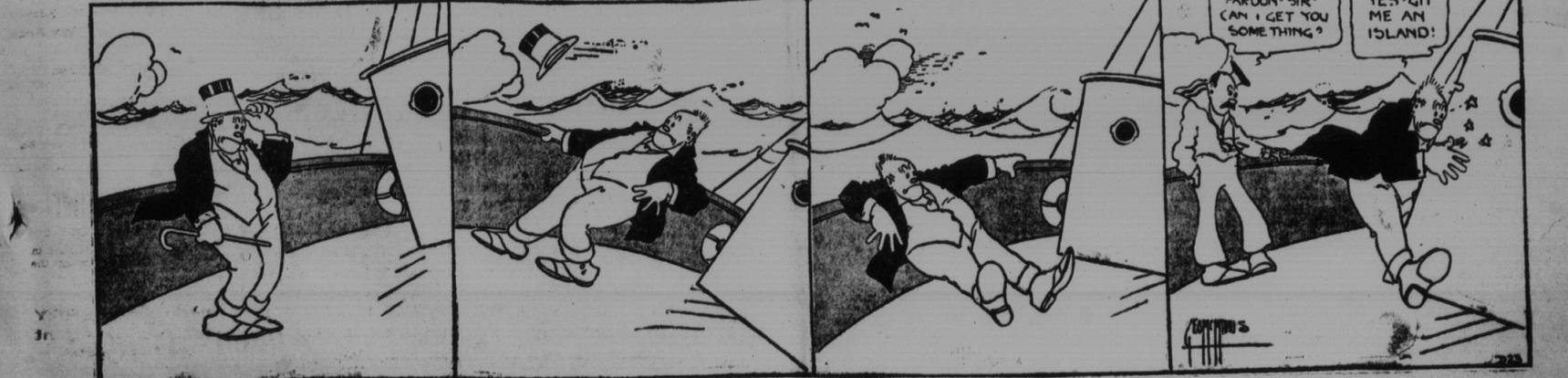
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