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TIMES SPORTS

RIGHT TO
THE MINUTEGOTCH AND "HACK"
CLASH TO-NIGHT.Ed. Smith Will Referee World's
Wrestling Championship.Standing of the Teams in the Six Night Roller Skating Grind—Bad Spill
at New Orleans Track Yesterday.

Chicago, April 3.—Ed. Smith, a local sporting writer, will be the referee of the Gotch-Hackenschmidt world's championship wrestling bout at Dexter pavilion to-night. At a meeting of newspapermen held yesterday Mr. Smith was unanimously chosen as the man to fill the place which has been the puzzling question between the two contestants for several days. The choice of Mr. Smith was approved by the Russian Lion and Jack Herman, who acted as Frank Gotch's representative.

Popular sentiment in the big wrestling match is veering to Frank Gotch—not only from "native son" sentiment, but because cool-headed bettors and critics are beginning to realize that Frank has all kinds of chances. The glamor of dread and mystery that surrounded the terrible Hackenschmidt has faded away; he is only an athletic young man of goodly vigor after all, and the people are asking where lives there any man with whom Gotch has not a show to win?

The consensus of expert opinion has now crystallized to this proposition: If Hackenschmidt wins, he must win quickly. Otherwise, not at all. If Hack does not get the first fall inside of thirty minutes, Gotch will get him, and get him sure. The Lion has seldom been asked to go the route over a long distance, and Gotch is used to the endurance game.

It is probable that the purse for Gotch and Hack is the first on record that has ever been underwritten instead of exaggerated. The men are supposed to get \$10,000. As a plain fact it is said they are getting no less than \$13,000. Kansas City overbid Wittig's original \$10,000, and Gotch, naturally, was uncertain what to do, although Hack was safely signed for the ten. Wittig, it is reported, at once saw the Kansas City offer, and lifted it to \$13,000, so that Hackenschmidt as well as Gotch would be satisfied with the money conditions. It is thought that this coin will be divided \$8,000 win and \$5,000 lose.

Both men declared themselves to be in such fine shape that hard work would be harmful rather than beneficial, as it would tend to make them stale, which would be much worse than being under-trained.

Men who formerly thought that the American would have little or no chance with the foreigner, are going over to Gotch's side and are backing him to win, not only with their money but with their good wishes. The tremendous strength of the Lion, of course, gives him a big advantage, but Gotch's opinion is gaining ground that Gotch is much faster and knows a lot more than the big fellow from across the water. One thing that gives the local followers of wrestling a lot of confidence in Gotch is the well known fact that the champion has never been forced out to his limit, and, therefore, there is no telling just how good he is.

SPILL AT ORLEANS.

Four Jockeys Hurt in the Third Race Yesterday.

New Orleans, La., April 3.—In the third race here yesterday Harold D. crossed his legs, and going down, several horses fell over him. Four jockeys were badly hurt. E. Rice had his collar-bone broken. G. Koerner was badly lacerated at the head. A. Martin suffered a fracture of three ribs, and one of his legs was sprained, while Leibert was hurt internally. Only three horses in the race finished. The card was made up of seven uninteresting races, and poor fields was the general rule.

CORRIGAN IN A BATTLE.

New Orleans, La., April 3.—Ed. Corrigan and Starter A. B. Dade were the principals in a fist fight at the corner of the St. Charles Hotel last night. The lobby was crowded and only the interference of spectators kept one or the other of the combatants from being seriously injured. The trouble arose over an accusation made by Corrigan that Dade caused his assistants to hold Elizabeth Harwood and Anne McGee at the post in a two-year-old stake race at the Fair Grounds in the afternoon. It is probable that the incident is not closed.

JUBILEE AT 4 TO 1.

Washington, April 3.—Obdurate and Jubilee, both at practically prohibitive odds, were the winning favorites at Benning. Two heavily played second choices and two outsiders won the other four races. The best race of the day was the third, a selling affair, at 7 furlongs. D'Arkle was a slight favorite over Aztec Maid, but McCarthy apparently was unable to hold him steady and the best he could do was third. Servile won, nicking Aztec Maid at the wire by a neck in a drive. Jubilee was 1 to 4.

NEW YORK'S GAMBLING BILL.

Albany, April 3.—The bills intended to abolish gambling at racetracks in this state, in accordance with the recommendation of Governor Hughes, have gone over until next Wednesday, when they will be a special order on final passage in the senate. This arrangement was made by unanimous consent at the request of Majority Leader Ralston after a day of intermittent skirmishing, most of it of a technical parliamentary character.

Senator Agnew succeeded in having the assembly bills of Assemblyman Hart which have already passed the assembly, substituted for his own. The practical

ed to take up the question of the forma-

tion of a senior and junior city league

and to draw up rules to govern same.

Senior—F. Arnold, Y. M. C. A.; H.

Blair, Burlington; W. Forsythe, Dundas;

Fred Ratelle, St. Patrick's; Mr. Brown-

ridge, Waterdown.

Junior—Mr. McMahon, Beavers; F.

Ratelle, Tigers; Mr. McGuire, Burling-

ton; Mr. Collinson, Dundas.

The committees are to report at a

meeting to be held at the Y. M. C. A.

next Thursday evening at 8 o'clock. Any

others wishing to join are invited to

send representatives.

SHORT ENDS.

Little Paragraphs of Sport From Far
and Near.

Pinehurst, N. C., April 3.—The eighth annual north and south amateur championship golf tournament ended yesterday with 36-hole finals in all divisions. Allan Laird, of the Columbia Golf Club, Washington, D. C., the title holder, defeated John E. Porter, of the Allegheny Country Club, 5 up and 5 to play in the battle for the championship trophy.

Toronto, April 3.—Claude Pearce, who is the only man up to date who has run from Hamilton to Toronto, is about to sever his connection with local athletic circles. He has received a good offer from a business house in Montreal, and will probably accept the position. Montreal will gain a good man if Pearce goes.

Chicago, April 3.—Thomas Hueston, of St. Louis, last night successfully upheld his title as pool champion, defeating Jerome Keogh, of Buffalo, 144 to 110 in the final block of the three matches. The total for the three nights is: Hueston 450, Keogh 405.

The regular meeting of the Hamilton Homing Pigeon Club will be held this evening in the Arcade Hall (upstairs).

A fast and exciting game of basketball was played last evening in the St. Thomas Sunday school between the senior teams of the boys' department of St. Thomas' and the St. John Church. The St. Johns lead from the start, and proved to be too fast for the St. Thomas' team. Score, 15-0 at half time; full time, 26-8, both in St. John's favor. The teams: St. Thomas—Foster, White, Roland, Easter, Harvey, St. John—Ironsides, Glasford, Pilgrim, Sommerville, Stock.

New Immigration Rules.

London, April 2.—Sir C. Kinloch Cook, Chairman of the Central Emigration Board, welcomes the new immigration regulations and thinks they may remove some of the responsibilities and difficulties which emigration societies meet in Canada, and go a long way towards minimizing the number of casuals going to Canada.

Comment and Chat

It is to be hoped that there will be a large attendance of persons who desire to see Hamilton well represented at the Olympic games in England next summer at the meeting of the Hamilton Olympic Committee at the Hotel Royal next Monday night. All interested are invited, and Secretary Wright is sending out special invitations to a number of prominent manufacturers and financial men.

Mr. Wright received another letter this morning from the secretary of the Canadian Olympic Committee, stating that Col. Hambury Williams and Mr. Ross had not yet taken up the matter of the appointment of Sherring as coach, but they expected to do so on Monday.

The National A. C. will send a strong delegation of boxers and wrestlers to Bradford this evening. The party will leave on the 7 o'clock train on the G. T. R. The club has arranged for a special rate.

The horses in training owned by Mr. George Hendrie, of Detroit, wintered at Nashville, and will be shipped to Louisville next week.

The death of the Duke of Portland's St. Simon yesterday was the passing of the most noted and most successful thoroughbred stallion in the world. This horse has perhaps been a greater source of revenue to the Portland estate than was some of the London property that the Duke's claimants sought in the recent sensational attempt to alter the ownership of the Portland title and possessions.

Vancouver Sunset: After all, it seems a good thing that this athletic muddle was brought about. For one thing, it brought to life the Canadian Amateur Athletic Union, which while Canadian in its name, was nothing more or less than a slumbering two-by-four organization, too much alive to the interests of a restricted area, and dead to the interests of the vast majority. The worthless timber has been cut out, and it now is making a successful bid for control of all athletics in the Dominion.

The race horse in a fast field has poor chances at Washington on a muddy track. He has to race in seas of water and mud, while the outsiders have solid footing.

Though Jockey Dalton McCarthy is a young rider, not out of his apprenticeship allowance till next Monday, he is not without experience. He rode his first winner last April, and during last season he had won 14 in 500 races, of which he won 75.

Toronto Telegram: The newly-formed Hamilton Kennel Club are holding a local show on April 11. Many T. K. C. members will journey to the Ambitions City to give the new club a boost. Several well-known breeders, including Messrs. Charlie Lyndon and Walter Sands, have been asked to send specimens for exhibition. The latter gentleman is sending Broadway Fiddle, who at Buffalo (1907) show won first for best of Canadian-bred fox terrier. Mr. W. Ruthford was the judge on that occasion, and W. R. knows a terrier.

A CLOSE GAME.

Toronto Defeated Richmond by
Score of 1 to 0.

Richmond, Va., April 3.—Toronto defeated Richmond before 500 spectators yesterday in a keenly-contested game by 1 to 0. Pearson's two errors were wide throws to first and second on hard plays and were not costly. Otherwise, Toronto played errorless ball. Grimshaw grabbed a high one with one hand, and Riggs cut Mertes out of a home run by pulling down a long drive over his head. Toronto hit the ball freely, but not opportunely. Richmond's pitchers also did well. Kilroy pitched the first three innings and Connolly the last six. Mertes scored the only run in the seventh on his own hit and heady base running. The score:

Toronto 1 12 2
Richmond 0 7 3

SOLID COMFORT FOR COCKNEYS.

London Advertiser: The management of the London International League team is sending a letter to the matter of providing suitable accommodations for the scorers and press representatives this season. At first it was proposed only to erect a back to the bench. Now, Mr. Wright will provide cushions for the same. If this were Toronto the scorers would doubtless be asking for lemonade—or something else between innings.

Ever since the International League baseball project has been talked of, youngsters in all parts of London have been puzzling their little thought domes trying to figure out just how and where they would be able to raise the necessary price of admission to the opening game of the season.

Now this is all ended, not only for the opening game, but for the entire season. All children under 12 years of age will be admitted free during the entire season—provided that they behave themselves and act like real fans should act.

Mr. Wright believes that the youngsters should have an opportunity of becoming thoroughly educated to baseball, and with that object in view he proposes turning over the west end teachers entirely to the use of the kids.

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Girl's Sudden Death.

Wingham, April 2.—Minnie, the 17-year-old daughter of Mr. Urias Sherik, of this town, died suddenly this morning at the high school while in the act of removing her rubbers in the cloak room. Heart failure was the cause of death.

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SEAGRAM HORSES
ARE COMING ON FINE.

One of the most delightful sights imaginable to a horseman is a visit to the stock farm of Mr. J. E. Seagram at Waterloo. That is where the string of thoroughbreds that are so well known, not only to the Canadian racing public, but to all America, is wintered.

At the present time there are only three foals, they being dropped in February and the early part of March. These babies have all done well, and are strong-looking youngsters, two of them being by Havoc, the sire of the great Inferno. There is a good crop of yearlings this season, many of them being on the large side, giving promise of being good two-year-olds. Nothing pleases Trainer Barry Littlefield more than to talk of the babies and of Havoc. He looks on Havoc as one of the best sires that has ever been owned in Canada, and is always anxious to breed to him. He will tell you how a yearling or two-year-old resembles Havoc, pointing out all his good qualities possessed in common by sire and youngster. The genial owner of this place, as well as the trainer, has every reason to be proud of this sire, for he has shown something in all of his get, Inferno being probably the best up to the present time. Slaughter, the winner of the plate two years ago, is another that is better than really thought. This horse went wrong last spring, but the winter's rest has worked wonders with him, and he will be given a chance this spring to show his heels to some of the best, for he has been entered in many of the big stakes of the Canadian turf. If Slaughter does as well as he promises he will be taken to New York with Inferno.

Inferno is as sound as a bell again, and goes through his work each day showing improvement. This big fellow has again been entered in the Suburban. If he has retained his speed of last season, and nothing goes wrong, he will be hard to beat. Inferno will not be given too much racing at the Woodbine, as his trainer has set his heart on starting him in the Suburban, and, therefore, will take no chances of breaking him down.

PLATE CHANCES.
In talking of the chances of the

stable in the King's Plate, Trainer Littlefield, who is never too sanguine, looks on it as a hard race this season. He says his Platers are as good as they ever were, and have all done well. It is the general opinion around Waterloo that Seismic is the best of the entry, although Half-a-Crown is a fine looking colt. He ran second last season after a rough journey. Half-a-Crown is a half-brother to Slaughter, and does his work much in the same manner. Three of the entry in the King's Plate race are by Havoc, one being by Halting and the rest by Inferno.

The horses will be kept at their work at the farm for the next three weeks, after which they will be shipped to Toronto to get their later preparations for the spring meeting. They will start their campaign at the O. J. V. meeting, after which the string will likely be divided, some going to New York, while the others will be sent to Montreal to race at Blue Bonnets. Mr. Seagram is looking for a first-class boy. Several have been mentioned, but none has been decided on up to the present time. The following is a list of the horses in training:

Merry England, ch.h., by St. George—We Know It.
Sir Ralph, b.h., by Breadknife—Margaretta.
Inferno, b.h., 6, by Havoc—Bon Ino.
Lynchburg, b.h., 4, by Ogden—Anxieties.
Sea Wall, b.f., 4, by St. Serf—Fairlie Head.
Pau-chaine, ch.h., 4, by Watercress—Flavame.
Main Chance, 4, by Pirate of Penzance—Princess Lavine.
Half-a-Crown, 4, by Halting—Major Tydon.
Slaughter, br.h., by Havoc—Major Tydon.
Throckmorton, b.e., 3, by Salvador—Albertina.
Two-year-olds:
Ray colt by Beaufort—Hymance.
Ray colt by Juvay—Vadidas.
Chestnut colt by Maxia—Flickant.
Ray filly by Greman—Miss Darbant.
The King's Platers:
Dog of War, ch.e., 3, by Havoc—Do-lores Dame.
Seismic, b.e., 3, by Havoc—Semley.
Nemecates, b.e., 3, by Havoc—Xenia.
Milverton, br.e., 3, by Miner—Frome.
Ocell Rhodes, b.e., 3, by Milner—Cefindine.
Militato, ch.e., 3, by Milner—Bon Ino.

Half-a-Crown, b.h., 4, by Halting—Major Tydon.
Mill-on-the-Floss, ch.f., by Milner—Irish Lass.
—Toronto News.

A KNOCK OUT.

Gans Put Spike Robson to Sleep in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, April 2.—Joe Gans, colored champion lightweight pugilist of the world, last night stopped Spike Robson, the English featherweight champion, in the third round of what was scheduled as a six-round bout, before the National Athletic Club. Gans was nearly ten pounds heavier than his opponent, and his long reach gave him a decided advantage. Robson was dropped for the count early in the third round, and a moment later he was again floored. The referee then stopped the bout.

WAITING, BUT NOT
AT THE CHURCH.

Oh, my heart is weary waiting,
Waiting for the game;
Waiting for the umpire halting,
And the fines that tame;
Waiting for the raucous "Hello!"
Of the lively coacher fellow
Who emits his bullish bellow
Till his throat is lame.

From the South the news comes coming
(With that I was there),
Every day the liners humming,
Split the Dixie air.
Fellows who have loafed their winters
Now are smashing bats to splinters
And the pants of sliding sprinters
Are the worse for wear.

But this mere long distance rooting
Doesn't make me gay
Who can hear the bleachers hooting
Thousand miles away?
Say, I'd give old John D's barrel
If, on grounds of old Bill Daniel,
I could hear right now the carol
Of the umpire, "Play!"

Oh, my eyes are weary watching,
Watching for the fray;
For the brilliancy and botching
Of the first, glad day;
For the strike-outs and the squeezes,
For the flies that cut the breezes,
Even if the weather freezes,
Will I be there? Sa-a-y!
—Contributed.

De Arman Shooting
Case at Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Cal., April 3.—Mrs. M. Z. DeArman, wife of the well known horse owner, who shot and killed Mrs. Helen Griffin on Wednesday night, in a statement yesterday expressed no regret for the deed. The murder was committed in the post-office at Monrovia, a suburb of Los Angeles.

Mrs. DeArman waited in the post-office until Mrs. Griffin returned from the races, knowing it was her custom to call there for her mail on her way home. As Mrs. Griffin passed Mrs. DeArman the latter began firing. Three shots went wild, the fourth was deflected by a comb in Mrs. Griffin's hand, but the fifth passed through her brain, killing her instantly.

Mrs. DeArman surrendered herself, saying she had ample justification for her deed.

Mrs. Griffin was the best known woman visitor at the race track. For years she had accompanied DeArman to Los Angeles when he came west with his



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