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Gossip and Comment

Longboat is getting wise. He desires to stand in with the Powers that be in New York.

A short history of the Indian runner, entitled, "From the Woods to the Gardens," will likely be issued by Harry Rosenthal.

Quite a number of hockey enthusiasts will go to Brantford tonight to see the championship hockey match between the Toronto professionals and the home team.

The Executive Committee of the Hamilton Rugby Football Club will meet tomorrow night to make final arrangements for the annual banquet to the teams—and the presentation to the Dominion champions.

Jim Jeffries refuses to fight for a one hundred thousand dollar purse. Shows the effect of climate around here may be a man fight for a dollar and costs—Toronto Telegram.

Otto Roehm will now join the big majority who declare that resorting to a brutal man prize fighting—Buffalo News.

The severance of relations between Tom Longboat and Tom Flanagan will lessen the interest locally in the Indian, though the manager could hardly have fallen into better hands than those of Patsy Powers.

Longboat and Flanagan did not navigate an untrifled surface. They encountered hidden rocks placed by design, but also the wreck does not produce any spool for the plotters. It all goes to Patsy Powers—Toronto World.

It may be generally known that Sam Fitzpatrick, the manager for Jack Johnson, the victorious negro pugilist, was not going into a strange country when he went to Sydney for the fight with Tommy Burns.

When Jackson went to England to beat Frank Slavin for the championship of the country and Australia, Fitzpatrick stayed in America and has made his home here ever since.

Soms of the boxing followers are not satisfied to have Jeffries or Corbett go after Johnson, but demand that Stanley Ketchel meet the big negro. That would be a case of sending another good little man against a great big man and the chances would be 10 to 1 in favor of the good big man.

There is one man that Johnson should meet first in a championship contest and that man is Sam Langford. The latter has challenged Johnson for the title and he is really the better candidate among the present crop of heavyweights.

Regarding Harry Bethune, the sprinter who died at Cleveland yesterday, the Toronto World says:

Harry Bethune, whose death is just reported from Cleveland, was well known in Toronto, though in late years he was in a deplorable condition.

William took up the last relay, and pulled Shrubbs' lead down to half a lap. When the test came towards the close of the race, however, he was outspurred.

Harry Bethune is dead. Cleveland, O., Jan. 10.—Harry Bethune, formerly a champion sprinter of the world, died at a hospital here yesterday.

London Advertiser—Hamilton is reorganizing its Rugby team for next year. Bluffton cannot get rid of its obsession, anyhow. And something must be done these long winter evenings to divert their attention.

Alphonse Verville, M.P., suggests a labor commission to settle industrial disputes.

LONGBOAT TO POWERS

Indian Runner Has Quit Tom Flanagan.

Will Now Be Managed by New Yorker.

Big Hockey Match at Brantford To-night.

Toronto, Jan. 11.—Tom Flanagan returned home from New York yesterday, where he went to train Longboat for his race with Alf Shrubbs in Madison Square Garden on Jan. 26.

The breaking of the tie was a sad parting, but the two Toms separated on the best of terms. The Ontario agent presented the Flanagan with a souvenir pin—an Indian's head—remarking: "You are a fine fellow, and I'll always remember you."

Pressure of business at home and the continual care of Longboat that leaves no room for any other serious affairs prompted Tom Flanagan to turn his contract with Longboat over to P. T. Powers, lessee of the Madison Square Garden and President of the Eastern Baseball League and a few other things.

The first race under the new management will be against Shrubbs at Madison Square, Jan. 26. The new contract, which is signed, sealed and delivered, is now in Powers' hands, with Longboat's, Flanagan's, Powers' and Pollock's signatures, and a dollar paid over to make it binding.

And thus passes Longboat from the hands of Tom Flanagan, the best friend and closest guardian of his interests he ever had or ever will have. He came to Flanagan two years ago down and out, and besides his keep for that time—and it was the best he ever had in his existence—has today \$4,000 cash in the bank and a fine little wife as ballast.

Mr. Flanagan said that he regretted leaving the Indian at this time, when he had his heart set on making the Indian beat Alf Shrubbs, but his business interests demand it, and, besides, let it be whispered, one or two jealous-minded Canadians leader was about to earn a fortune with the Indian, kept hunting at jobs and rumors of jobs that made it so disagreeable that it was almost unendurable.

The Ontario Hockey Association games for the remainder of this week are: Tuesday—Peterborough at Cobourg; at Lindsay, Guelph at Galt; Hespeler at Preston, Stratford at Seaford, Midland at Barrie.

Junior—Belleville vs. Trenton at Belleville, Cobourg at Oshawa, Whitby at Peterborough, Peterborough at Cobourg, Mount Forest at Meaford, Orillia at Midland.

Wednesday—Intermediate—Parkdale Canoe Club vs. Toronto Canoe Club at Mutual street rink.

Junior—St. George's vs. 14th Regiment at Kingston, Meaford at Newmarket.

Thursday—Intermediate—Eureka at Milton, Port Dalhousie at Niagara Falls, Galt at Ayr, Seaford at Clinton, Barrie at Orillia.

Junior—Simoes vs. Toronto Rowing Club at Mutual street rink, Berlin at Waterloo.

Friday—Intermediate—Belleville at Peterboro, Whitby at Port Perry, Newmarket vs. Toronto Rowing Club at Mutual street rink, Toronto A. C. vs. Kodak, Stratford at Hamburg, Ingersoll at Simcoe, London at Paris, Owen Sound at Markdale, Meaford at Midland.

Junior—Pictou at Belleville, Whitby at Port Perry, Peterborough at Cobourg, Mount Forest at Harrison, St. Mary's at London, Woodstock at Stratford, Newmarket at Barrie, Gravenhurst at Bracebridge.

Saturday—Senior—14th Regiment of Kingston, St. George's Hall at Mutual street rink.

Intermediate—Preston at Guelph, O. A. C. Ayr at Hespeler.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 10.—Marathon laurels were won yesterday by Robert A. Fowler, of the Cambridgeport Gymnasium Association, for the second time in two weeks, over the familiar course from Ashland to this city, but lengthened to the regular distance of 26 miles 385 yards by having the finishing line at the National League baseball grounds, admission to which was charged, for the

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Toronto and Brantford Pros. at Brantford.

Brantford, Jan. 11.—The weather here was very mild and wet yesterday, but with a cold spell last night the rink management will have ice for the Toronto-Brantford hockey match this evening. The local team is in first class condition, and expects to land a victory.

There have been rumors that Povey might leave Brantford, but these are denied. Not only will he be held, but a utility man, probably Johnny Ward, of the Montreal Shamrocks, will be secured. This line-up, under the management of Roy Brown, is counted the strongest Brantford has ever had. To-night's game is regarded as the hardest of the season. There will be a record crowd, as Hamilton, Paris, Waterloo and other surrounding points are sending delegations.

FOOTBALL IN OLD ENGLAND.

London, Jan. 11.—Following are results of British football matches in three leagues on Saturday: League—First Division. Newcastle W. 3, Woolwich 0. 1. Sheffield W. 0, Bristol City 1. Leicester F. 0, Preston N. E. 3. Everton 1. 2. Middlesbrough 5, Manchester U. 0. 3. Manchester City 4, Bradford C. 1. 4. Liverpool 1, Blackburn R. 1. 5. Sheffield U. 0, Sunderland 2. 6. Aston V. 1, Nottingham F. 2. 7.

STEEL PLANT TEAM WON THE FIRST GAME.

The first game in League A at the H. R. & A. C. alleys took place on Saturday night. It was won by the Steel Plant team, which defeated the Hamilton Bowling Club team by nineteen pins. Only one man on each team had less than 500. The scores: Steel Plant—Avery 862, 844, 801, 2567. Moon 148, 180, 197, 325. Nelson 138, 164, 176, 425. Green 176, 168, 164, 308.

TEN PIN SCHEDULE.

This week—Tuesday—H. B. C. vs. Printers. Wednesday—Brendas vs. Colonials. Thursday—Internationals vs. H. B. C. and A. C. Friday—West I. vs. West II. Week of Jan. 18.—Monday—West I. vs. Internationals. Tuesday—H. B. C. vs. Brendas. Wednesday—Printers vs. Colonials. Thursday—H. B. C. and A. C. vs. West II. Friday—Internationals vs. H. B. C. and A. C. Week of Feb. 1.—Monday—Internationals vs. Brendas. Tuesday—Printers vs. West I. Wednesday—Colonials vs. West II. Thursday—H. B. C. vs. H. B. C. and A. C. Week of Feb. 15.—Monday—H. B. C. vs. West II. Tuesday—Printers vs. Brendas. Wednesday—Internationals vs. Colonials. Thursday—H. B. C. and A. C. vs. West I. Monday—Printers vs. Internationals. Tuesday—Brendas vs. West II. Wednesday—Colonials vs. H. B. C. and A. C. Thursday—H. B. C. vs. West I.

A TALK WITH "BOB" SHILLINGTON.

"No, there's nothing can beat the good old days in sport when each of us owned our own sweaters and suits and paid our own railway fare wherever we went. Then we played the game to win, and everybody was happy." Few names are more familiar in Canadian sporting circles than "Bob" Shillington. Mr. Shillington was in Toronto from his Ottawa home this week on business. The News found him at the King Edward.

SHORT ENDS

Little Paragraphs of Sport From Far and Near. Prince Albert, Sask., Jan. 11.—The bonspiel was concluded Saturday morning with the mercury standing at a low zero. The Saskatoon rink carried off the honors. The result of the Australian billiard championship was an easy win for Fred Lindrum, who is only 20 years of age, over Charles Mummolt. The game was 14,000 up, and Lindrum won by no fewer than 2,589 points. On the last night of the match the winner in a break of 206, scored 267 off the red ball. Vivian Nickalls, the well-known British oarsman, last year's coach of the Detroit Boat Club crews, has been engaged for the coming season and will sail from his home in England late in March, arriving in Detroit April 20th. Mr. Nickalls was markedly successful with Detroit in 1908, and it is a source of general satisfaction to the oarsman to learn that he is coming back. Paul Cobb, a brother of the famous Tyrus, will be given a chance to make good with the St. Louis Americans. Bill Sullivan, the umpire, who was forced to resign from the Eastern League last year after his mix-up with George Stallings, will be one of the American Association staff for 1909. St. John, N. B., Jan. 11.—George Price,

Many Athletes Are Red Headed.

Many a fond mother who has brooded over the fact that her hopeful has locks of flaming red will take heart when she reads the resume of athletics for 1908, and notes the fact that the chief honors on the cinder path this year have fallen to red-headed runners. Who won the junior cross-country championship at Celtic Park recently, out-classing a field of fourscore runners and winning in record time? Why, red-headed Jimmie Lee, of Boston. And it was Lee, too, the week previous, who showed the athletic fans a streak of gameness that softened the heart of every man and woman that saw the race. Lee ran the whole last two miles in a condition bordering on collapse, and flopped over helpless the instant he realized that he had completed the journey.

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Who won the ten-mile championship—the very race in which Lee showed all his grit? Why, red-headed Jack Eisele, from Newark, N. J. Eisele ran the fastest ten miles since the days of Willie Day—53 minutes and 16 seconds. Eisele is some game, too. It is not so long ago that he read about his running British three-milers to a standstill at Olympic games and giving the British athletic experts the scare of their lives. And after having the nail torn off one of his big toes, Eisele ran with his foot bandaged and suffered excruciating pain at every stride. Who was the star of the distance races at the outdoor championships last summer? Why, red-headed Mike Driscoll, from Tonkers, the Hill City, Driscoll defeated such champions as Kelly, of the Mohawks, Lee of Boston, Bellars of New York A. C., Bonhag, Joyce, Daly, and Collins, of the Irish-Americans, and Haskins, of Pennsylvania on the cinders, and at the indoor championships he thrilled the whole athletic world with a performance of 9:28.25 for two miles on the boards. When Uncle Sam needed a sprinter to uphold his name in the 200-meter race at London, who was it that shot

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away from the mark like a streak, and after one of the most stirring races of the Olympiad, plunged through the tape a brave three inches behind Bobby Kerr, the pride of Canada? Why, that was red-headed Robby Cloughen, of the Irish-American A. A. Cloughen upheld the Star and Stripes in other countries, too. He won the 200-meter events at international meets in Dublin, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Malmo, Norkopping and Stockholm—all in tiptop time. Cloughen made good on the boards, too, by winning both the 60-yard and 75-yard indoor championships in record time. When the year's work is summed up there will be fewer men with better records in the longer sprints than Jim McEneaney, of the N. Y. A. C. and Twenty-second Regiment engineers. Mac is a brick top, too, and a pride to the order. When he comes flying around one of the indoor turns all decked out in his red "Twenty-second" togs and who is gone a flapping in the wind you can put a bet on one thing; that is, "McEneaney gets in the money." He has won more 300-yard and 440-yard prizes from short marks this year than any other athlete in the district. Cornell University has a sorry-topped star, too. His name is Taylor, and in another year—so says Jack Mookley—he is going to show a brand of running that will startle the whole of athletic America. Taylor was probably held back this fall. Mookley knew he had a winner in Capt. Young and saved the new star for another year. At that Taylor materially aided Cornell in winning the intercollegiate cross-country championship by giving Taylor the fourth position close behind Paul, the University of Pennsylvania champion. Taylor was the second Cornell man to cross the finish line. Jim Archer, the Irish-American sprinter, is another red-headed runner who is going to be a name to remember in the form, but look up his record, and you will find him a junior champion in 1906, as well as the winner of many handicaps in lightning time.

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The annual meeting of the National Cattle and Hunt Association, held at Cowdin, S. S. Howland and H. S. Page were re-elected stewards to serve three years. August Belmont was re-elected President, J. H. Alexander Vice-President and S. S. Howland Honorary Secretary and Treasurer. Boots Durand has been denied a recommendation by the Jockey Club to the turf governing body in Buenos Ayres. The world appears to be getting smaller and smaller all the time. Jockey Tommy Chandler, who rode for Archie Zimmerman last season, has been engaged by Mr. G. A. Bronder for the coming season. The Bronder horses are wintering at Pimlico Park, Baltimore, in charge of Robert Boyle. Several horses changed hands Saturday at Dufferin Park on the closing day. Gussie Zimmur last season, has been engaged by Mr. G. A. Bronder for the coming season. The Bronder horses are wintering at Pimlico Park, Baltimore, in charge of Robert Boyle. Ray secured Guy, the grey trotter, from H. C. Armstrong, of Brantford, and the pacing gelding, Farmer, from O. B. Sheppard. These four will go down the line. The trotters go on from Toronto to Lindsay for Wednesday and Thursday of this week, next, at Ottawa, Jan. 16-22, and then Montreal, Jan. 23 to Feb. 6.

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CHARGED WITH BIGAMY. Owen Sound Man Arrested Last Night in Toronto. Toronto, Jan. 11.—Walter Thorogood, aged 25, of 35 Balmuto street, was arrested last night at the corner of Arthur and Bathurst streets by Detectives Murray and Moffatt on a charge of bigamy. The complainant is William Flavell, of Owen Sound, the father of the accused's second wife. About a year ago Thorogood's first wife got out a warrant against him for non-support. He then left her and shortly after married Mr. Flavell's daughter. The couple have been living in Toronto since, but it was only recently that the girl's father found that his son-in-law was a bigamist and had a warrant sworn out. The accused will be taken to Owen Sound today.

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AUDIENCE WITH THE POPE. Prominent Canadians Were Received on Christmas Eve. Toronto, Jan. 11.—Sir Frederick and Lady Borden and Hon. J. J. Foy and Miss Foy were received in private audience by His Holiness the Pope on Christmas Eve. Attending the Holy Father as Grand Chamberlain was the Marquis of Ripon, while Sir Thomas Esmond conducted the presentation. The Pope seemed greatly interested in Canada. He expressed his satisfaction that the school question had been amicably settled, and predicted a great future for the country. Addressing the party, he said in English, "God bless you and God bless Canada." Hon. Mr. Foy sailed via Naples for Canada on Jan. 2, leaving his daughter and son to spend the winter in Rome.

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Nasal Orthography. Teacher—Your name is John Timmins, is it? Where are you from, Johnny? New Pupil—Snohomish, Wash. Teacher—How do you spell it, Johnny? New Pupil—You don't spell it, ma'am. You sneeze it.

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She can wear man always endure more pain than a man. He—I admit she can wear smaller shoes without squeaking.

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