

THE STANDARD'S SPORTING SECTION

ST. PATRICKS PLAYED FINE GAME;
DREW UP EVEN WITH VANCOUVER

Seven Men Style of Game Saturday With Eddie Gerard on Defence Gave the Irishmen a Victory by Score of Six to Nothing.

Toronto, March 26.—Whether it was the seven men style of game, the presence of Eddie Gerard on the defense, the fighting spirit that has featured many of their games this season, or a combination of the three makes little difference but there is no doubt that in defeating the Vancouver Millionaires by six goals to none on Saturday night in the fourth game of the Stanley cup series, the St. Patricks gave one of their best exhibitions of the season and drew upon even terms with the Pacific Coast champions in the scramble for the cup. The score almost gives a correct indication of the play and after the locals had secured their two goal lead in the first period they had to over their opponents like the proverbial tent.

They had the breaks with them and everything they attempted went right. On the other hand the Patrickites looked the poorest they have in the four games to date and appeared to be stale. Lehman and Oatman being the only ones that played up to anything like the form that they have shown previously.

Gerard strengthened the team a great deal. He was good on the defense and under his coaching start turned in one of the best defensive games that he has produced this season. In the latter part of the game Gerard rushed forward and helped out the local forwards in carrying the offensive burden.

Noble at rover was strong. His back checking was better than ever with the base of operations in centre ice and he had more opportunities to show to advantage on the defensive than when he is operating on a wing. Dye must have slammed at least forty shots on "Eagle Eye" and showed far more pep and back checking than he has done in any six man game this year.

Smylie who made a great hit in the first game under coast rules lived up to his previous performance.

Lehman had to save five of six times as many shots as Roach and every one that beat him was worth a counter. He pulled off a number of stops that were sensational and the big score, one of the largest that has been run up against him in the past few seasons, was no fault of his but was due to the collapse of his team mates and the great form of the local attack. Duncan and Cook were only fair and the St. Patricks performed more on Saturday night than they had in any of the other games. They rushed occasionally but on the majority of their attempts they shot from outside the defence. MacKay showed little on the offensive or defensive and in the last part of the game he retired.

The Line-up:
St. Patricks Goal Vancouver
Roach Lehman
Right Defense Cook
Left Defense Duncan
Centre Oatman
Denenny Adams
Noble McKay
Right Wing Skinner
Left Wing Parkes
Smylie Tobin
Andrews Oatman
Retere Cooper
Reimer Smeaton, Montreal

The Summary:
First period: 1—St. Patricks, 5; Vancouver 0.
Second period: 2—St. Patricks, 5; Vancouver 0.
Third period: 6—St. Patricks, 5; Vancouver 0.
Final score: St. Patricks, 6; Vancouver 0.

Trojans' Answer

March 26, 1922.
The Sporting Editor of The Standard.
Dear Sir,—Referring to a letter in one of the local papers last Friday, headed "The Championship," and signed "Basketball," I dislike very much to have to reply to this letter, especially since the writer of same did not have sufficient confidence in his claim to sign his name to it. The information contained in his letter could not be obtained by an outsider, but rather by one connected with a local team. The public are, perhaps, not familiar with the basketball situation as far as the championships are concerned, and my letter will give them the necessary information.

The St. John City League, strange to say, has not been completed. Twelve games were to be played by each team, and at the conclusion of these games, an additional series of three or five games was to be played between the Trojans and the winners of the first series. This second series was arranged as a compromise to the Trojans, who had loaned one of their players to another team in order that the league might be more evenly balanced as far as competition was concerned. We did not wish to release this player (Fleming), but did so when we found that we would still have a chance to win the league after the first series had been completed, and at which time our player would be available. We challenged the winners (the Y. M. C. A. Seniors), but our challenge was not accepted or acknowledged. I might quote from a letter published last fall in the Evening Times and signed by the president of the league: "It was pointed out to the Trojans that this player would be available against outside teams, and it was suggested, if not satisfied with the outcome of the City League a series of three or five games could be arranged with the winners."

It might be interesting to mention right here that with Fleming on our line-up we have won eight games and lost none. I cannot see for one moment how the Y. M. C. A. Seniors can claim any championship title, as they have not played an outside team this year while the Trojans, on the other hand, have played eight and won them all, scoring 499 points against their opponents' 214. There was a time when a basketball team could sit in armchairs and dream of victories, but today it is different; you must go out and show what you can do.

I notice that the Seniors are arranging games with the Y. M. C. A. of Halifax, the finished next to last in their league. I also notice that the Seniors were last year's Maritime champions. This is incorrect, as they split even with the Wanderers of Halifax, winning the first game 26 to 27, and losing the second 27 to 20. Regardless of that, they could not claim the title, as Urquhart, of the Trojans, played on their team and was a high scorer; therefore, the Seniors did not win the first game from the Wanderers, but rather a Y. M. C. A. representative team.

The Trojans are now provincial champions for the season 1921-22, having been denied the privilege of playing for the St. John title, as suggested by the president, and in accordance with the executive of the City League, and having defeated Moncton, Sackville and Woodstock. The last mentioned team defeated U.

Trojans' Answer
Entries For The
Grand National

Total of Ninety-Two Has
Never Been Exceeded—
Thirty-Five for Last Year.

London, March 26.—The entry for this year's Grand National to be run tomorrow, a total of 92, has never been exceeded and it is anticipated that the actual field will be beyond the average in numbers. If the record was not broken, the 92 horses would be a record. On two occasions there have been 32 starters—in 1860, when Abdulkader won for the first time, he having taken the race again 15 months later, and in 1909, when it was supposed to be the French five-year-old Lattour III. This year's heavy entry caused some surprise as a range of 25 lb. between top and bottom weight had been introduced with the idea, it was supposed, of excluding animals who are commonly considered to have no pretensions to be "Liverpool horses."

The course at Aintree, composed of formidable and varying obstacles, presents an acid test to any steeple chaser. It is a notable fact that few horses, after winning the Grand National, ever show to advantage over obstacles again.

In the last 90 years, three horses only have won it twice, not including the substitute races elsewhere during the war. This performance is recorded for The Lamb in 1863 and 1873. The Colonel in 1869 and 1870 and Manifesto in 1897 and 1899. It is also noteworthy that, during the same period, only four horses have ever succeeded in carrying over 165 lb. victory, these being Clotter, Manifesto, Jerry M. and Pootly N.

The Aintree course is well-known for the difficulty of its obstacles and this spring there has again been a lively discussion as to whether the fences should be altered. Last year the winner, the winner, out of the field of 85, finished the race without a fall or some other misadventure, while it is understood that Shaun Spadish, too, had some narrow escapes.

It has been estimated that if four or five got around this year it will be well up to the average of recent Grand Nationals.

N. B., and had never lost a game, on their own floor until the Trojans won from them on Friday, 25 to 20. We are playing Truro on Saturday next for the Maritime championship. The Trojans have won from Argmouth and Wolfville twice, and from Dalhousie (Halifax). Truro has lost one game all season, and have won from St. George's, winners of the Halifax League; they also won from the Wanderers of Halifax.

I cannot understand why the Trojans' title of Provincial and Maritime champions should be doubted, as no other team can claim same. We are the only St. John team to play outside games and seven of the eight played have been partially financed by our own players. We also have a record that no other team can boast of: having played every team that approached us for a game, not turning down a single offer.

Respectfully yours,
WALTER R. GOLDING,
Manager, Trojans.

Head Line Crews
Stage Boat Race

Boat Crews from Three Ships
Take Part—Melmore Head
Crew Won.

The dock at No. 1 berth, Sand Point, was the scene of great activity at noon yesterday, when the annual boat race for the silver cup, donated by Head Line Steamships Co., was staged. Three four-oared crews entered for the event, these crews representing the Head boats in port at the present time—the Melmore Head, Panad Head and Kenbane Head. News of the race had spread around the West Side, and a large crowd of people gathered to watch the respective crews battle for supremacy.

Promptly at noon, the three crews lined up at the head of the slip at Union street, and received instructions from the captain of the Panad Head, who acted as starter for the event. They got away to a good start, amidst great cheering from the men from their respective steamers who were lining the wharf and ships. The course was not very long as the race was rowed in the ordinary service boats, but the men from the Melmore Head wasted no time and gradually drew away from their opponents, finishing first, with the Panad Head second. The crews were accorded a great reception from their supporters on the docks.

This race is a yearly event with the Head Line steamers, and takes place when, at any time, there are three or more boats in one port. This is the second consecutive victory for the Melmore Head crew, and they were feeling quite elated over success yesterday.

Sensational Women
Tennis Players

France Is the Home — Two
Youthful Stars Developed
in the Riviera This Winter.

Nice, France, March 26.—Whether Suzanne Lenglen ever "comes back," and opinion is evenly divided, France is destined to reserve her claim as the home of sensational women tennis players, as two youthful stars have been developed on the Riviera this winter, who, according to experts, might even now give the mighty Suzanne at her best, a very hard game.

Mademoiselle Jung, an 18-year-old player from Agave and Mademoiselle Desclaire, aged 16, born in Paris, are the two outstanding feminine stars of the winter.

The worth of Miss Jung was already known, for she was ranked seventh among the French women tennis players for 1921, but such has been the improvement in her game that she is certain to be among the first three this season. She has perfect strokes, judgment and is exceptionally good as a singles player.

Mademoiselle Desclaire, however, appears to have the greatest undeveloped qualities of the two. She already serves with wonderful control and has a perfect backhand stroke and is able to lob with accuracy.

Paired with Sam Hardy of Chicago, the 1920 United States Davis cup team captain, in the mixed doubles, she defeated such veterans as Mrs. Beamish and A. H. Lamb of London for the championship. She still lacks tournament experience of most of her opponents on the Riviera were playing tennis before she was born, but she is already acknowledged to be a better doubles player than Miss Lenglen and not much below the latter's standard in singles.

Baseball With
The Big Leaguers

Hot Springs, Ark., March 26.—Home runs by Hooters and the Pirates featured an exhibition game between the two teams here today which the Boston Americans won by 5 to 2. Score: Boston Americans 5 10 0
Zinn and Glanzer, Gorch; Quinn and Chapman.

Los Angeles, March 26.—Score: Chicago Nationals 9 11 1
Los Angeles, Pacific Coast 12 17 0
Martin, Kaufman, Jones and Hartnett; Crandall, Lyons and Wheat.

New Orleans, March 26.—(Exhibition). Babe Ruth smashed out a home run in the sixth inning with two men on, and proved the deciding factor in the victory of the New York Yankees over the Brooklyn Dodgers in an exhibition game here today. Score: New York Americans 7 13 1
Brooklyn Nationals 4 13 3
Jones, Hays and Schang; Smith, Gordonier and Deberry, Taylor.

Dallas, March 26.—(Exhibition). Chicago Americans 8 8 0
New York Nationals 7 9 3
Robertson and Schalk; Neff, J. Barnes and Smith, Snyder.

Jack Malone Won
Judges' Decision

Boston, March 26.—Jack Malone of St. Paul was awarded the decision last night over Amle Rainer of New York after he had finished with a burst of speed in the 10th round. In the other rounds the fight was closely contested. The men were middleweights.

Intercollegiate
Swimming Champs

Weismuller, of Illinois Club
Broke Four World's Records
at Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, March 26.—John Weismuller, of the Illinois Athletic Club, in an attraction added to the intercollegiate swimming championships at the University of Pennsylvania to night broke four world's records for the men's indoor individual junior championship, reducing the time of the 200, 250 and 300 yard and 300 meter events. His time was 2:06 1/2; 2:41 flat; 3:16 3/4; and 3:35 1/2.

Halifax Player
No More Amateur

Cliff Kelly Takes Manly Stand
and Will Play Pro. Ball in
Cape Breton.

Will other players who are placed in the same category as Cliff Kelly, of Halifax, take the same manly stand that he has and meet the question of the amateur affidavit fairly and squarely as he has done?

The Halifax Herald has published the following statement of Kelly's: "I cannot sign that affidavit. Very few can, and for that reason I am going to break away from amateur baseball ranks and join a professional baseball team in Cape Breton League this summer."

Mr. Kelly when asked what had influenced him to make up his mind to become an out and out professional said he was not going to sign a declaration that he had never received money for playing. "Mighty few could do so, and he would have something to say when a few of the affidavits were signed."

Kelly, who won the Distinguished Conduct and Military medals during the great war was considered one of the fastest base runners most successful batters, and cleverest shortstop in Halifax baseball. He is now one of the so-called amateurs who look on with admiration by all lovers of clean sport.

Hoppe Tells When
To Use Masse Shot

By William F. Hoppe
(World's Billiard Champion
Sixteen Years.)

Because of the very nature of the stroke, the majority of beginners conceive the idea that it must, of necessity, require a powerful stroke to make a masse shot. It is one of the most difficult things in billiard instruction to convince the average player that such is not the case. At times, of course, the masse must be executed with a powerful stroke, but in a great many instances it requires the application of no greater power than in attempting to make the most common place shot on the table.

For this reason, it is well for the player to learn at the beginning when power is required and when the best results can be obtained by the application of little force.

Helps to Overcome Line-Ups.
The basic principle of the masse is to overcome line-ups. Under ordinary conditions, the average player will encounter not less than twenty, and frequently more, line-ups in the course of a 100-point game. These are sometimes caused by the faulty rolling of the balls, and sometimes faulty judgment in speed. This being true, it can readily be appreciated how much better fortified the player is to overcome these handicaps if he has mastered the masse.

I have mapped out a comparatively simple course of instruction in this respect, which will be of material aid to the player in learning how to execute this shot in all of its varieties.

Since the masse is of chief use in overcoming line-ups, the player should, so place the balls for the beginning of his practice. To begin with, I would suggest that he place the two object balls in a line, but not more than three inches apart.

Place the cue ball quite close to the first object ball. Then picture in your mind that the top of the cue ball is divided into quarters. The next thing to determine is in which of these quarters the cue ball must be hit to make the point.

For the position that I have suggested the place to hit the cue ball is on the left side just behind the center. This will apply the necessary backspin, for your objective is to hit the first object ball enough on its right-hand edge to move it gently out of the way and have sufficient spin on the cue ball to permit to continue to the second object ball, competing the billiard.

Draw Masse Also Good Shot.
This is a shot that should be practiced incessantly, for in reality it forms the basic principle for the perfection of the masse. Another good shot to practice is the draw masse. Not infrequently during a game the player will find himself confronted by this situation. The balls will be in a line with the cue ball in the center. It will be too close to either of the object balls to permit of an ordinary draw shot being executed.

In such a contingency the masse can be employed. Hit the cue ball on top

Checker Tourney
With The Soldiers

G. B. Wooten Manoeuvred
Into First Place as Cham-
pion—E. Fader Was Second

The checker tournament which had engrossed the attention and interest of the soldier boys undergoing treatment in the D.S.C.R. hospital at Lancaster, and even that of the doctors and nurses as well, was brought to a successful close Saturday, in the last big drive, when G. B. Wooten, by his superior strategy, manoeuvred into first place and the champion's title, while E. Fader came up into the second line trenches and second place, and W. Cornier, finished in the lead of all the reserves in third place.

The tournament which served its purpose well, that of affording a diversion of these former C.E.F. men, for whom the though peace is won for others, their great battle for health, against the ravages of wounds and disease contracted in the Great War, has but begun, was organized under the auspices of the hospital committee of the Red Cross.

A Whist Drive is soon to be staged at the hospital under the same auspices, and those who were so much for the prowess of the winning trio at checkers, will be afforded an opportunity to demonstrate their ability at whist.

The checker prizes will probably be presented to the winners today.

"Tubby" Vassalo
Makes Statement

Arrives in Halifax from Europe
and Denies Statements
Made by McKinnon.

A direct denial to some of the statements made by Hughie McKinnon, who in exposing thirteen Nova Scotia athletes, started an avalanche in amateur sporting circles in the Maritime Provinces, was made by Frank "Tubby" Vassalo, on his arrival in Halifax last week from Europe.

Vassalo, who has been studying medicine in Germany, on his return to Nova Scotia denied he had paid money to athletes, as alleged by McKinnon.

In his now historical expose of high finance in Nova Scotia amateur circles McKinnon claimed that Vassalo had paid all the members of a hockey team of which he was a member to play games in New Glasgow and Cape Breton.

Vassalo has denied this. He said that the only players to receive any money for their playing were McKinnon and one other player. The trip itself, he claims, was a financial failure.

THE ST. PETER'S UNDECIDED.
A meeting of the St. Peter's baseball team was held yesterday afternoon to decide what status it should assume this coming summer. Nothing was definitely decided and a further meeting will be called to consider the question.

slightly behind the center. This stroke generally requires a free-hand bridge and, therefore, is an extremely beneficial one to practice. In practicing both of these shots the player will find that he does not have to apply any great power to the cue ball. He will find that the best results are obtained by hitting the ball softly, for then the object balls will not be so widely spread.

Practice these shots continually and conscientiously, studying all the while the action of the cue ball and the results obtained. When they have been mastered, the player will be ready to continue the perfection of the stroke in its other forms.

Boston Won From
The Victorias

Montreal Team Are Now on
Even Break With the Bean
Eaters.

Boston, March 26.—The Boston A. hockey team last night turned the tables on the Victorias of Montreal and defeated them 5 to 4. This gives the Montreal team an even break in the two game series with the B. A. A. In the other half of the double-header, the Pere Marquette team, defeated their rivals, the Westminsters, United States champions, by a score of 1 to 0.

Women's National
Indoor Tennis

Mrs. Molla B. Mallory of New
York Won Her Fifth Cham-
pionship on Saturday.

Boston, March 26.—Mrs. Molla B. Mallory, of New York, won her fifth national women's indoor tennis championship today, in the final match of the title tournament on the courts of the Longwood Cricket Club. She defeated Miss Leslie Bancroft of Boston, 7-5, 6-1.

Mrs. Mallory and W. T. Tilden, 2nd, of Philadelphia, successfully defended their national mixed doubles indoor title, defeating Mrs. Frank H. Godfrey and R. Norris Williams, 2nd, of Boston 6-2, 7-6.

St. John High Won
From Rothesay

Rothesay Players Taken Into
Camp by the Score of 68
to 15.

On the Y. M. C. I. floor on Saturday afternoon, the St. John High School basketball team took the team from Rothesay Collegiate School into camp by the score of 68 to 15, in an inter-scholastic League fixture. The result of this game makes the local boys the undefeated champions of the league. The High School management are trying to arrange a play-off with Halifax County Academy, to decide the inter-scholastic championship of the Maritime Provinces.

The line-ups for the game follows:
St. J. H. S. (68) R. C. S. (15)

Forwards: Snow (3)
Centre: Hart (2)
Defence: Colter (10)
Burbridge (12)
Matheson (4)
Spares: Williams (6)
Nase Brownell

Cambridge Won
From Oxford

London, March 26.—Cambridge University overwhelmingly defeated Oxford in their fifty-fourth annual track meet today winning nine of the ten events with the strongest team the "light blues" have produced in many years.

The
Motor Show

to be held at the Arm-
mores on Monday,
April 3, to Saturday,
April 8.

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