

Durnan and Hackett Ready for Thursday's Race

Note and Comment

There should be little trouble in arriving at a decision concerning the Montreal-National game, that failed to reach the finish on Monday. As the fault was all on the part of the Frenchmen, their case is hopeless, and the best they can hope for is to avoid the cream of defeat, or for practical purposes the spot. The result in the Coast League makes it necessary for two more games to break the tie between Vancouver and New Westminster.

Nationals still have two more N. L. U. games—one with Shamrocks next Saturday, and their final a week later with Montreal. Winning both, the Frenchmen would exhaust Sept. 23 to play off against Montreal, if that contingency were forced.

Winning all Nationals would tie Tecumseh, and home-and-home games would take you to the 7th of October, right into the middle of the Rugby season, when many people are hankering after hockey.

However, Nationals were really walloped on Saturday, and their Westerners left but to stand up and declare Tecumseh the lacrosse champions and send them off to B. C. for the Minto Cup. Sept. 23 and 30 are the Indians' choice of dates.

There are N. L. U. precedents for just a case like this, in each of which the Caps and Tecumseh were the victors. One game was a tie, that the Ottawa team refused to break on the spot, and the other was the affair of the wet grounds, when Caps would only play an exhibition game, that the Indians won easily. The N. L. U. decision in such a case was a loss for both teams.

The famous Kid McCoy having made a splendid success of the come-back business, performing the feat right here, will likely encourage one of Toronto's best-known old-timers to again don the gloves. Joe Poppe, the veteran, is still hale and hearty, and, matching Messrs. McCoy and Poppe, there would sure be a good go.

LACROSSE GOSSIP.

Vancouver failed to annex the Minto Cup on the holiday, and the Westerners took the final game of the regular lacrosse series before a record crowd at the Royal City. That leaves the teams tied for the cup, which will be played for in two extra-series games in Vancouver and the other at Westminster. The salmon bellies won the event with a score of 10 to 4. The Westerners, who had a half-time advantage led with four goals to one, an idea of how comical was the result of the showing made by both teams, can be arrived at.

Up to half-time Vancouver had more than a shade the better of the play, and made four straight goals after Westminster had scored in the first few minutes of play at the opening of the game. The teams tied for the cup, which will be played for in two extra-series games in Vancouver and the other at Westminster. The salmon bellies won the event with a score of 10 to 4. The Westerners, who had a half-time advantage led with four goals to one, an idea of how comical was the result of the showing made by both teams, can be arrived at.

Now they were only one behind, and Westminster fans shouted themselves hoarse in encouragement. The outlook was all the worse when Pickering was penalized. Fitzgerald, who had been playing like a man, was charged with a foul, and the game was a shambles. The Vancouver team was in a state of confusion, and the game was a shambles. The Vancouver team was in a state of confusion, and the game was a shambles.

Whiteout got the first by a purely technical effort, after Grumpy had come from behind the net. Whiteout took the pass, and dodging and dodging, scored the goal. No sooner was the ball once more in motion than Len Turnbull followed the mark with a long shot, and the game was a shambles. The Vancouver team was in a state of confusion, and the game was a shambles.

Grumpy Spring got Westminster's seventh in the last quarter, and scored once, but the Vancouver players like beaten men. Lally's refereeing gave great satisfaction, and the game was comparatively clean.

C. L. A. Semi-Finals. Semi-final dates fixed by the C. L. A. are as follows:

Sept. 3—Fergus at Preston; Orillia at Midland; Hamilton at Brantford; Sept. 10—St. Catharines (intermediate); first game won by Midland, 10-0.

TECUMSEHS FOR THE COAST.

By winning hands down on Monday the Indians established their title to travel westward and knock spots out of the Pacific world champions. All the Nationals' sympathies crowd would not let Montreal finish their work, the Tecumseh's right cannot be denied, and the N.L.U. may choose in its wisdom to fall back on W. J. Kelly's untried stock of wines, spirits and beers. He handles the stock at 70 West Queen-street, or responds to Phone Adelaide 416.

Smith's Road Race. The Smith's second annual road race will be run from Vermont Park Saturday, Oct. 7. For boys' and girls' races can be made at 50 Peterboro avenue, 23 Marshall street; Scheuer's, 30 Yonge street, and A. Wyer, Deer Park P. O., by mail.

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Scullers Take Final Spins Over Rainy River Course

(By J. J. MIDDLETON.)

RAINY RIVER, Ont., Sept. 5.—(Staff Correspondence).—No event of any interest in this part of the world just how compares with the big race that is to be pulled off here on Thursday between Eddie Durnan of Toronto and J. L. Hackett of Minnesota for the sculling championship of America. The course is an ideal one for an international contest, situated as it is on the Rainy River which forms the boundary line between Ontario and Minnesota.

Both men are in top notch form for the big event. Durnan has Nat. Scholes as his trainer, while Hackett's right-hand man is H. Sullivan. The race will have its starting point at Rainy River Hill and will be over a straight course of 1 1/2 miles and return, a total distance of three miles. The river is about 1 1/4 miles wide here. The training is practically completed and both contestants are now contenting themselves with a half-hour's spin daily.

About 11 o'clock to-day Durnan went over the course in quick time and was given a good rub-down afterwards, while Hackett sculled over the course twice to-day, once in the morning and once in the afternoon. Durnan will weigh 159 pounds when the race starts, and Hackett 175 pounds. Both men are of the same build physically, although Hackett is slightly taller and a couple of years older than Durnan. They both say that the water over the course is very fast.

The shells used are 26 feet long, Durnan's being built in England, and Hackett's in Massachusetts. Hackett's home is ten miles down the river from here on the Minnesota side. In conversation with your representative to-day both scullers expressed themselves as ready for the race of their life. Each one always manages to keep well out of sight of the other when they are doing their practices so that they cannot mark the time it takes them to cover the course.

W. J. Lucy, of the Riverview Hotel, Rainy River, is the man chiefly responsible for the holding of the race and the greatest credit is due him for the successful efforts he has made in getting the two noted scullers together.

Yankee Motor Boat Wins Two Straight Wrestling Match Miserable Fiasco Receipts \$87,053

HUNTINGTON, L.I., Sept. 5.—The Dixie IV. won the international motorboat race and retained possession of the Harnsworth trophy this afternoon, when the British challenger, Pioneer, was defeated in the second race of the series. The decisive lead secured by the American boat was gained during the second round of the course, when the British boat, Pioneer, broke down. The Dixie at once forged ahead, gaining a lead of four miles, which was accepted by those present as such a commanding lead over the Pioneer that the race was won. For a time it was believed that the British boat was out of the race. The crew made hasty repairs, however, and to the surprise of all the Pioneer again took up the race. At this time, however, with the Dixie four miles ahead, the result was not believed to be in any doubt. The Dixie IV. crossed the line ahead of the other American defender Viva, which was second, with the Pioneer third, and a quarter mile astern of the Dixie IV. The winner during the latter part of the race showed down. The Dixie IV. covered the course of 30 miles in about 40 minutes, unofficial time.

Open Dinghy Race. In the open dinghy race of the Island Aquatic Association, the first five boats to finish were the following: 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. 10. 11. 12. 13. 14. 15. 16. 17. 18. 19. 20. 21. 22. 23. 24. 25. 26. 27. 28. 29. 30. 31. 32. 33. 34. 35. 36. 37. 38. 39. 40. 41. 42. 43. 44. 45. 46. 47. 48. 49. 50. 51. 52. 53. 54. 55. 56. 57. 58. 59. 60. 61. 62. 63. 64. 65. 66. 67. 68. 69. 70. 71. 72. 73. 74. 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81. 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87. 88. 89. 90. 91. 92. 93. 94. 95. 96. 97. 98. 99. 100. 101. 102. 103. 104. 105. 106. 107. 108. 109. 110. 111. 112. 113. 114. 115. 116. 117. 118. 119. 120. 121. 122. 123. 124. 125. 126. 127. 128. 129. 130. 131. 132. 133. 134. 135. 136. 137. 138. 139. 140. 141. 142. 143. 144. 145. 146. 147. 148. 149. 150. 151. 152. 153. 154. 155. 156. 157. 158. 159. 160. 161. 162. 163. 164. 165. 166. 167. 168. 169. 170. 171. 172. 173. 174. 175. 176. 177. 178. 179. 180. 181. 182. 183. 184. 185. 186. 187. 188. 189. 190. 191. 192. 193. 194. 195. 196. 197. 198. 199. 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