

HOCKEY SCHEDULE IS ARRANGED

For the Central Ontario Association Season.

NICK YOUNG TALKS BALL.

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A "DUB" FIGHTER AT OTTAWA.

McMay, of Rochester, a Rank Quitter - Another Match Between McCoy and Sharkey - The Maher-McCoy Battle - Latest Racing News - Other Sports.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 29.—"Arrangements are being made looking to a ten club circuit," said President Young yesterday. "If the scheme goes through which proposes to drop out Cleveland and Louisville, the schedule for 1900 will be made up accordingly. As a matter of fact, two schedules will be prepared for submission to the league at the annual meeting in March, and it may be necessary to provide a third should the circuit be refused to eight playing seasons. All the indications, however, point to a continuation of the ten club arrangement until the expiration of the ten-year agreement adopted at Indianapolis, which runs until the close of the playing season of 1901. With a ten club circuit and a winter season, it is necessary to keep two clubs alive every day, but such a plan might prove more desirable in the long run than paying out money for salaries and transportation expenses which could not be returned by gate receipts in two of the cases of the league.

There is no indication thus far that Baltimore and Washington will withdraw, and it is not likely any definite arrangements will be made prior to our meeting at New York in the spring."

"AB" POWELL GOING TO CUBA.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 29.—"Abner Powell is going to Cuba with a team of baseball players. They will spend a month in Havana and Matanzas. Among the players were Gonzalez, of Kansas City; Chiles, of Philadelphia; St. Angelo, of Cincinnati; and McAlister, of St. Louis.

"Ab" Powell managed the Hamilton Club in the International League about ten years ago.

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CENTRAL LEAGUE SCHEDULE.

Paris, Dec. 29.—At a meeting of the Executive Council of the Central Ontario Hockey Association, held here last night, the following schedule was agreed upon, the games to take place on or before the dates mentioned: Jan. 5—Brantford at Paris; Woodstock at Hamilton. Jan. 10—Paris at Brantford; Hamilton at Woodstock. Jan. 19—Brantford at Hamilton; Woodstock at Paris. Jan. 24—Hamilton at Brantford; Paris at Woodstock. Jan. 29—Paris at Hamilton; Woodstock at Brantford. Feb. 2—Brantford at Woodstock; Hamilton at Paris. Feb. 9—Paris at Brantford; Woodstock at Hamilton. Feb. 16—Brantford at Paris; Hamilton at Woodstock. Feb. 21—Paris at Hamilton; Woodstock at Brantford. Feb. 23—Hamilton at Paris; Brantford at Woodstock. March 2—Woodstock at Paris; Brantford at Hamilton.

HINK OWNERS WANT THE CREAM.

Globe.—The city members of the O. H. A. Executive had a conference yesterday afternoon with representatives of the city clubs in an endeavor to settle on reasonable terms. The clubs reported that the management of one city rink, which pays the club \$100 a season for practice hours, refused to admit any evening games unless the O. H. A. would guarantee to them on their terms the semifinal and final games if Toronto clubs were in the finals. The O. H. A. promptly declined to give any guarantee as to the location or conditions of these games, and the city clubs will probably make arrangements to take their practice and matches to some other ice.

CHIEFS FROM THE ICE.

Buffalo city teams are hard at work. The Washington team will play an exhibition game in London tonight. The O. H. A. Executive intends to strictly enforce the residence rule. Pittsburgh has adopted the goal net, and is taking steps to put down rowdy play.

THE RING.

Ottawa, Ont., Dec. 29.—Joe McMay, of Rochester, who was brought here before the Capital Club last night, proved a dub of the first water. He was the rankest kind of a outtier, and lay down the second and twice in the third round, making severely any effort to fight. Jack Bennett, of Toronto, who was refereed, counted McMay out in the third round, and on reaching ten the Rochester man got up and went to his corner sniffling.

MAHER AND MCCOY.

New York, Dec. 29.—Both Peter Maher and Kid McCoy are only doing light work now for their contest at Coney Island next Monday afternoon. The trainers of the rival pugilists state that the condition of their charges is faultless, and that if either is defeated it will not be because the men have not prepared faithfully. The battle will be for twenty-five rounds, for a purse of \$20,000. Maher is confident of victory, and has placed \$1,000 on himself at even money. The mill will start promptly at 8 o'clock. The betting has been vigorous during the past three days. Those who a week ago fancied the Irishman are now switching over to McCoy, and it is quite likely that he will be a favorite before Monday. The present figures are even money.

PURSE FOR SHARKEY AND MCCOY.

New York, Dec. 29.—Tom Sharkey will in all probability meet Kid McCoy at New Orleans.

is much older. Yesterday Tom O'Rourke, Sharkey's manager, wired the miller, who is now at Hot Springs, to come on to this city at once, as he wants to match him against Kid McCoy before the Broadway A. C. during the first week in February. McCoy, according to O'Rourke, wants to meet Sharkey, and adds that will lose with Maher, he will face the conqueror again. The Broadway Club has been after this match for some time. It appears, and as soon as O'Rourke accepted, Matchmaker George Considine announced that he would offer a purse of \$10,000 for the battle. McCoy is also scheduled to meet Joe Chynski in this city at the Broadway A. C. on Jan. 12th.

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Some lovely silk petticoats are shown, those in white silk being particularly attractive. These are of the style of the moment, lace-trimmed, feather-stitched and ornamented with narrow ribbon effects outlining the pattern of the dress. The gowns continue clinging and sheathlike and it is surprising how marvelously they are made to fit. Not a wrinkle from throat to hem mars their clinging surface, not a flaw is discoverable in the outlines, not a defect is visible, consequently a gown of this character is almost appalling to those who feel that cost out any figure.

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STRAW FAST REPLACING WOOD.

Many Uses to which the Refuse of the Grain Field is Being Put.

The serious incursions upon the timber forests of this country in the last few years has directed attention to the probable exhaustion of that source of lumber supply and scientists have been endeavoring to find substitutes. One of these that promises to be satisfactory is the invention of a New York man, the basis of the substitute is straw, which, with certain chemical combinations, produces a material cheaper and more durable than any other material. The material is made by sawing and generally manipulating as easily as lumber, and it is expected to be used in the construction of interior construction. It is said that the chemically prepared straw has been tried and found to be highly satisfactory by rail-road companies, blackboard manufacturers, makers of picture frames and book-binding boxes, by decorating artists and others. For all practical purposes, it is the same thing as lumber, and with these certain differences, that it is very much cheaper than the latter. Every one who has been in the forest, or in the lumber yard, or in the mill, will be glad to know that a substitute for the most serious ones is being offered to the country. If all that is required for the substitute for lumber is to be the importance of the work, and to be made of a material, and it is deemed to rank with such other productions of man's genius as the electric light, the cotton gin and the typewriter. The inventor of "straw" lumber, it is said, has been in perfecting his material for several years, and his experiments. The new material has, however, been in practical use throughout the country for a number of years, and the knowledge of it has obtained would seem to demonstrate its value thoroughly. Grotesque Musical Instruments. Skull links are the product of the skull country of a new country. The instruments of ancient times were constantly engaged in warfare, and their primary aim when thus engaged was to destroy the chief of the opposing side. When captured this percentage was carried to their camp, and these creatures were highly decorated. These strings were made from the skin of the victim, thoroughly dried and rubbed over with resin. The instrument was played in a similar manner to the mandolin. The skull was left so that the jaws were visible. The instrument, with each shake of the instrument, the jaws waggled, and with any sharp jolt the teeth came together with a snap. So a girl in a role was considered that a gentleman of England had \$125 for one at a recent auction in London. Billster Pearls. A handsome new button used to fasten a collar, was designed by the inventor. The button is a circular, cylindrical button, the new collar button is the new collar button. The button is made from the peculiar effect upon the surface. The buttons are eyed with some diamond, and it gives it in former days. Why don't you try Carter's Little Liver Pills? They are a positive cure for sick headaches and all the ills produced by disordered liver. Only one pill a dose.

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