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LONDON DOWNS THE FAST PARISIANS NOW LOOK LIKE DISTRICT CHAMPIONS

Local Septette Win By Five to Four in a Close, Fast Game.

(By Our Own Man.)

By defeating the Paris hockey seven on their own ice last night, the London Intermediate O. H. A. team has given itself a good lead in the race for first place in this district. The score was a very close one, but could not be close enough to tell the story of the game, which was anybody's from start to finish. So evenly were the teams matched that when there was only thirty seconds more to play the score stood equal, but London's team could not lose, and just to show their superiority, got busy, and scored the goal, which won the contest, leaving the final 5-4.

London has a team whose fame precedes it; and last night even the small boy on the street corner whispered to his playmate, when a Londoner passed him: "Sixteen to one." Then as is generally the case with those who do not let a little thing like a goal-scoring record bother them, someone whispered it about that London could never have a team of amateurs who could play hockey to the tune of sixteen to one, and that it followed that there must be professionals on the London lineup. Cautiously did the supporters of the potato bug poison colors conspire to relegate London's seven to the realm of professionalism, but there was no use. Those who knew said that there had been a special message sent to Tillsonburg to have a special authority on professionals come down to show them up. Londoners did not mind though, and although no one could say roll system could be discovered, they left Paris with another scalp.

Ice Was Poor.

The ice was dry enough but was soft and very sticky, making fast skating almost an impossibility, and under the circumstances it would be almost out of reason to attempt to say which team showed the better hockey, but the game was all Paris, then all London, but never at any time could either goalkeeper sleep at his post.

London's Strong Defense.

In defense work London's seven had decidedly the better of it. Time and time again Paris would get away from the forward line and would lose the puck to one of the defense men, for if Thompson did not get them, then Casselman was very much there, and when they got a chance to shoot, Homer Pearson, in goal, distinguished himself.

Pearson a Dandy.

Homer Pearson has developed into one of the most deliberate and cool goal-keepers in this end of the Province, and at last night's game was subjected to a perfect torrent of shots at times, but never for one second did he lose his nerve, and time and again did he turn aside shots that were billed for his domain. At times he had to leave the goal, but used very good judgment, and was never caught too far away from home.

There could be no discount of Peebles in the Paris goal, though. He was, as usual, very much there, and anything that was stoppable he stopped. London's forwards have a few with curious and mysterious curves to them which cannot be stopped. Even these he tried at.

Casselman Steady.

Casselman, on point, played his steady game, and made some sensational checks. He used his weight to good advantage, when necessary, and when he came into collision with any of the green-sweatered forwards, he went up in the air. Paris was onto his dangerous rushing powers, though, and never allowed him to get away farther than they could help, and they "helped" hard.

The London team was also a good team, but played a different style of game. He attempted the body-check a great deal, but without success. One feature of his playing was that he got quite tussy and tried rough it when the referee had a faculty of seeing behind him, though, and off went Koufman several times.

Thompson, on coverpoint for London, was always ready to get away with a rush, and several times nearly scored. His checking was hard and accurate at all times. When long lifts or shots were required he was right there with them, and fed his forwards with good judgment. The Paris coverpoint was the most effective man on that team. He assisted his wing men a great deal and played well forward.

The forwards were handicapped by the heavy and sticky state of the ice, which prevented any sliding of the puck. Over skating was very frequent, and spoiled many excellent opportunities to score. Anything in the nature of a long pass had to be lifted off the ice, as sliding the puck many feet was out of the question. The forwards of both teams checked back well, and so closely that sensational breakaways and rushes were not the order of the fight.

Jimmy Kept Busy.

Jimmy Carrothers, on right wing, had a very hard man to check in goal, but he held him down so well that he did not do much damage. Crow Carrothers, on the wing, was fast. He also had his hands full with his man (Lovett), and could get away from him at times so well that he scored two, or at

least was instrumental in scoring two of the goals for London. Abram and Bole had plenty to do, but although the latter was watched very closely, he got away with some good work. Abram was right there with his checking back, and headed his way. In fact, so favorably did the said Jack Abram impress his powers upon the Paris rosters that some careless person punched him in the mouth as he was leaving the ice, at the end of the game. The culprit did not wait to get his, but beat it on the double quick.

Paris Started Fast.

At the start of the play and for the first fifteen minutes, there seemed to be nothing but Paris. It was Paris here and Paris there so much that London's chances looked small. The initial move on the part of the Paris forwards was to break away four in a line, and rush down on London's defense in a very spectacular style. There was no chance though, and Bole tried a few long shots for London. He also broke away in a brilliant manner and looked very big in the eye of the Paris grandstand, but he had bad luck, and did not land the rubber home.

Paris then tried the bounce back game, and for a few seconds threw the rubber into the netting behind the London goal with long lifts in the hope that it would bounce back, and that they would be able to poke it in. This method proved a failure.

Casselman took a good start for a rush at this juncture, but passed to Carrothers, who failed to find the net. Another rush was pulled off by Abram and Bole, but there was no chance to score.

The First Goal.

After twenty-one minutes play, Paris scored a goal, and there was no

end of cheering, and cries of "sixteen to one," from the Paris rosters. Jimmy Carrothers changed their song though, and landed the rubber for London from the center of the ice, in a fine, long shot.

The second half started as the first, and London being chased hard and putting up a defensive game.

Then London broke away and scored another goal. This time Crow Carrothers got through and passed out to Jimmy Carrothers, who did the necessary shooting.

Paris scored then, and for a time it looked as if there was to be a reversal of the score.

Another goal was scored for Paris, but this time it happened while Paris was giving way to the extremely aggressive tactics of London. Although London was ahead in the play there was now an even score, with about a minute to play. Excitement ran high, and the cheering from both choruses of rosters was very loud.

London was fast gaining ground, though, and after several attempts on the part of the forwards to score, Crow Carrothers found the Paris net just as the timekeeper blew his whistle for the end.

The Line-up was as follows:

London. Paris.

Pearson.....Goal.....Peebles

Casselman.....Point.....Kuhlman

Thompson.....Cover.....Tinknell

Abram.....Right.....Pearson

J. Carrothers.....Right.....Lovett

C. Carrothers.....Left.....Gill

Bole.....Center.....Kempthorne

Referee—Ed Livingstone, Toronto.

PULLIAM THREATENS TO RESIGN

Cincinnati, Ohio, Jan. 21.—President August Herrmann, of the Cincinnati baseball club, last night received a telegram from President Harry C. Pulliam, of the National Baseball League, in reference to the blacklist proposition that had agitated the baseball players.

In his telegram, President Pulliam says: "The other day I issued a statement on the now celebrated blacklist of the National. I stated that it was my final say, and that was my purpose. Had those to whom this statement was directed confined themselves to the truth in their reply, I would have remained silent, but they have not, and therefore I take this method of trying to set this measure clearly before the baseball public."

The signed statement as submitted by P. T. Powers, president of the National Association, and printed in the New York papers, was interesting, if

true, but not being true it follows that it could not be interesting.

"Now, I note that P. T. Powers takes great satisfaction in publishing broadcast a statement from the Hon. August Herrmann, chairman of the National commission, in which Mr. Herrmann defended his position."

"That fact does not surprise me, but understanding that I have three letters from Mr. Herrmann, written in November, after the action of the National Association, in which he says, over his own signature, that the action of the National Association was unwarranted and would not be allowed to go unnoticed by the National commission."

"Mr. Herrmann is a politician, a great politician, and that explains his reason why he takes a different position in January, 1908, to that in November, 1907."

"If I go down to defeat, I will resign from the game that I have served faithfully for fourteen years without regret."

M'GILL CAPTURED BASKETBALL GAME

Defeated Queen's By 29 to 22 in the First Game of the College Union.

Montreal, Jan. 21.—The basketball match between Queen's and McGill was played on Saturday night in the McGill gymnasium. The final score was 29 to 22 in favor of McGill. At half time the score was 15 to 12 in favor of McGill.

Both teams played an aggressive game, Hastings did the most scoring for McGill, and was given the best of support by the whole team. For Queen's, Cormack played the star game; he is quick, strenuous, and sure.

This was the first game in the Intercollegiate League, and its outcome will be a source of great encouragement to the boys.

The teams lined up as follows: McGill—Home, Hastings, Forbes (captain), center, Calder, defense, McGuire, George Smith, Cockfield.

Queen's—Home, Sully, Cormack, center, Lawson, defense, Craig, Taint, Thomas (captain).

LAST NIGHT'S O. H. A. SCORES

Senior.
Toronto 8, Galt 5.
Intermediate.
Port Perry 8, Exbridge 3.
Preston 4, Ayr 2.
No ice at Welland, Goderich and Seaforth.

A \$25,000,000 co-operative restaurant and hotel supply company is being organized at Montreal. It is proposed to operate branches in the large cities of the United States and Canada. A monster cold storage warehouse is to be built in New York if the scheme works successfully in Montreal.

MADDEN MAY SHIP HORSES TO EUROPE

Will Be Safe Even if Anti-Gambling Bill Is Passed.

New York, Jan. 21.—John E. Madden, the horse breeder and racer, is not taking any chances on the passing of a law by the present Legislature which will interfere with racing in New York.

It has just been learned that during a recent trip to Europe, Mr. Madden entered a number of horses in the big stake events in England and France and is prepared to send a large string of his horses across the water for next season's races if he finds it will be to his advantage to do so. It is said that Mr. Madden has entered his horses in all the classic events in both countries and racing men expect to see a good stable of thoroughbreds sent across to European tracks next season.

ALF. SHRUBB MAY BE THE WILLIAMS COACH

Boston, Jan. 21.—Alfred Shrubbs, the noted English long distance professional runner, who will conclude his present engagement in this country in a race at Philadelphia next week, hopes to secure an appointment as track coach in one of the smaller American colleges. It leaked out today that Shrubbs' friends are trying to land him an athletic coach at Williams, and that the speedy "little English runner" has already had two or three conferences with some of the students there regarding the possibilities of an appointment.

BLEED TO DEATH.

Tried to trim a wart with a razor and severed an artery. The only way cure is "Putnam's," which removes warts, corns and callousness in one day. Insist on getting Putnam's Corn and Wart Extractor. It is the best.

FEDERAL LEAGUE OUT OF BUSINESS

Brockville, Unable To Get Any More Ringers, Drops Out.

Ottawa, Jan. 21.—It is probable that the Federal League, which has had a rather uncertain existence in the last two years, will go out of business within the next few days, judging from developments of last night.

Brockville and the Ottawa Victorias were scheduled to play in the former city tonight, and Brockville attempted to again get the Renfrew team, as it did against Cornwall. The Victorias were communicated with along this line, but refused to stand for the contemplated move, and as Brockville has a home team good enough the game has been declared off, and Brockville will drop out, leaving Victorias and Cornwall to go it alone.

There is little probability of their doing this, however, as Victorias have been offered a place in the Ottawa Valley Hockey League, and will probably accept if it is still open. Cornwall may also be taken in.

HOCKEY PROVERBS

Where there's ice there's hockey.
A rooster may look at the president of the O. H. A.

A slippery center is a dangerous thing.

Half a game is better than your money back.

There's many a slip 'twixt the shot and the net.

A good goalkeeper is worthy of his hire.

A goal in the last minute makes all rosters kin.

A game on keen ice is worth two in the slush.

It's a bum trainer that rubs nobody down.

Take care of the timekeeper, but let the referee take care of himself.

Too many rosters spoil the silence.

It's a long game that has no penalties.

All are not goals that go into the net. (It depends on the goal umpire.)

A faint kick never won fair penalty.

It's a poor player that can't skate both ways.

A goal in time saves overtime.

Timekeepers were deceivers ever.

As you make your ice so shall you skate on it.

A player is known by the money he gets.

A good referee turneth away kicks.

The best made shots of both wings gang aft a glee.

You cannot gather hockey players off golf links.

When the home team cometh to the fore the visitors look out of the window.

A rooster and his money are soon covered.

A rolling puck gathers no goals.

KING'S PLATERS SOLD

Kirkfield Stable Sends Three To Hendrie String.

Toronto, Jan. 22.—The Valley Farm Stable has purchased from the Kirkfield Stable three King's Plate candidates: Kirkfield, b.c., 4, by The Commoner—Ogata; Lintre, 3, b.f., by Gold Car or Martinmas—Pee Weep; Shimomese, b.f., by Martinmas—Lydytte. Kirkfield was unplaced in the Guinness last year. Lydytte, the dam of Shimomese, won the plate in 1902.

Both fillies were worked well. Lintre and Shimomese were both purchased by the Kirkfield Stables at the Hendrie disposal sale, while Kirkfield was bought in Tennessee in utero. The Kirkfield Stable has a string of eight headed by Tourette, at Washington, and will continue in the game. Mr. R. J. Mackenzie is a resident outside the Province, and not eligible to enter horses for the King's Plate. This gives the Hendries a strong hand for that race with these three and Scud and Archie White.

In a report from Rio de Janeiro Consul General G. E. Anderson states that the final official figures for the coffee crop of Brazil for the year ending June 30 show that the total entries in all Brazil reached 20,409,180 bags, representing an increase over the previous year of 2,353,892 bags, or 84.6 per cent, and an amount over the average for the past four years of 8,848,797 bags, and exceeding the previous banner crop of 1901-02 by 4,132,715 bags, or 25.4 per cent.

Perisians are fond of fine clothes. The usual costume for men includes a collarless shirt of light, pretty material, cut low at the neck; and with long, loose sleeves, a vest that fits closely to the figure, also with wide, flowing sleeves.

TY NOT WORRYING ABOUT BASEBALL

Great Georgian Leader at the Bat Says It's Too Early To Think of It.

Detroit, Jan. 21.—Bingay, in the Detroit News, says:

In a letter to the sporting editor, received this morning, Ty Cobb explains his refusal to sign the contract tendered him by the Detroit club. The great Georgian is not worrying much, the way or the other. He says the baseball season is a long, long way off, yet, remarking that it doesn't seem to be over three or four weeks ago that the season closed. Ty would far rather discuss the team's prospects for the coming season than he would his difference with the club owners, so the trouble cannot be very great.

"That Thomas deal ought to help us a lot, don't you think?" he writes. With Schmidt and Payne working right he ought to. The infield ought to be faster than ever this year, with Schaefer in his old-time form. I'm awfully sorry to hear about Ed Killian being sick, but he ought to be all right by the time the season opens. Speaking of the pitchers, I believe Mullin will have a mighty good season this year.

"But, really, Bing, I'm having such a great time these days I haven't thought of baseball at all. It seems as if the season had just closed, the winter has gone so fast. The world series does not seem more than a few weeks old. I haven't thought of baseball since then, and I hope I never do think of it as seriously as I did last summer."

"I have a good thing offered me to coach at the University of Georgia, and if I can get Jennings' consent I would like to stay and handle the school squad. I could get in shape down here doing that. I do not care about going to Hot Springs, anyway. I'm writing Jennings now to get his consent. I'm practically in shape right now. I've been playing the indoor game, and while I'm more or less of a dub at it, I guess, it's lots of fun."

Business directly dealing with the controversy between the club and himself the Georgian feels is a matter only the two of them should be interested in.

"The goods I have been lucky enough to show I feel would warrant my demands," he concludes. "I hope it will cause no trouble, and feel sure that they will treat me right."

Tyrus, with his usual modesty, discards advice from the club and himself the Georgian feels is a matter only the two of them should be interested in.

"I thought that winning a championship made this berth a bed of roses," he soliloquized yesterday afternoon as he toyed with a letter from a minor leaguer, who stated that he would quit baseball for good, rather than sign for "such a small figure."

"Isn't it rich?" he continued. "Some of them have never looked at a major league bench before, and yet they want more money than a millionaire spends in a year because they're with a championship club. This pennant thing is surely a heap of sadness."

Pitcher Suggs, who is getting his last chance in the majors, writes that he is roundly insulted. The very idea of expecting him to sign to pitch with a championship club for a measly \$1,500 a year. His wrath will be slightly appeased if they ship him papers calling for \$2,400, but nothing under that.

Jack Warhop, Western State leaguer, wants about the same, and angrily wishes to ascertain if they think it is a "cheap gag." Up in the wilds of Wisconsin they must give birth to some funny ideas on eleemosynary institutions known as the major leagues.

"If they could see all things with the same sense that Crawford and Bill Donovan and Schaefer and some of the others do this would be a happy old world," signed the new president, "but there doesn't seem to be any such chance."

SHOULD MINISTRY RESIGN

When Lieutenant-Governor Refuses His Assent To Bill Passed by House?

Victoria, B. C., Jan. 21.—The constitutional question as to whether a ministry is bound to resign when the Lieutenant-Governor refuses to assent to a bill passed by the House was the subject of a warm debate in the Legislature today, with no result.

The Liberals argued that unless Premier McBride could show that Lieutenant-Governor Dunsmuir was acting on instructions from the Governor-General-in-Council, the Government was bound to resign, and moved that the Government be censured.

The Premier argued that Dunsmuir had full authority to withhold assent to any bill unless general instructions were given him by the Lieutenant-Governor receives when he takes the oath of office, which make him the agent of the Dominion Government and not an executive provincial officer. Premier McBride offered to resign if his resignation would meet the difficulty, but held the responsibility rested with the Federal Government.

New York City has the reputation of carrying more bedbugs in its public conveyances than any other city in the world.

SPORTING ITEMS OF INTEREST

The Latest Baseball, Boxing and Racing News of New York.

New York, Jan. 21.—One by one the New York Americans are sending in their signed contracts to Secretary Nahon. Yesterday's mail brought the contracts of Fred Glade, the cracked pitcher of last year's St. Louis Browns, who was secured by Manager Griffith in the deal with Niles and Hemphill, for whom Hoffman, Williams and Forster were turned over to Manager McAleer. When McAleer made this deal with the New York club he thought that he was stealing a march on Griffith, for he labored under the delusion that Glade, who is well fixed financially, would never play professional ball again. But McAleer reckoned without the officials of the New York club, who were determined to get Pitcher Glade at any cost. Accordingly when Glade received a fat contract the other day calling for a great deal more money than he received from the St. Louis club he lost no time in affixing his signature. With the contracts came a letter from Glade, who stated that he would report to Manager Griffith in Atlantic City on March 2 and would be in condition to begin work.

Glade also wrote that he believed the New York Americans would make a strong fight for the championship this year and that as far as he was concerned he would do his level best. Ed Barrow, former manager of the Detroiters, who is now in business in Toronto, saw Joe Lake, the new pitcher Griffith secured last fall from Jersey City, pitch a number of games last summer, and says that he believes Lake will be one of the greatest pitchers in the country before long. "He is a finely built chap," said Barrow yesterday, "and is a great hitter as well as a pitcher. He is a six-footer and weighs close to 200 pounds. In all my baseball experiences I've never seen a more promising young player."

Somebody said the other day that the New York Americans as they will take the field to begin work will compare with the New York and Boston Nationals in point of sick work. Fans who differed with this opinion resorted to the official batting averages, and taking the figures of Quinn, Jake Stahl and Joe Kelley for 1907 they believed the following data, showing the batting strength of the three teams:

New York Americans—Chase, .287; Niles, .239; Elberfeld, .271; Moriarty, .277; Stoney, .234; Stahl, .222; Keeler, .277; Hemphill, .239; Kleinow, .264.

New York Nationals—Jenny, .222; Doyle, .260; Bridwell, .218; Devlin, .277; Donlin, .314; Seymour, .294; Shannon, .265; Brosnahan, .248; Needham, .190.

Boston Nationals—McGann, .298; Ritchey, .255; Dahlen, .207; Brain, .279; Brown, .260; Beaumont, .322; Bates, .260; Kelley, .228; Bowerman, .260.

In the case of the New York Americans it must be remembered that both Keeler and Conroy were ill a greater part of the season, and did not begin to bat up to the usual percentage. In 1906 Keeler's average was .304, while Conroy's was .245.

"If I could only look into a ball player's heart when I make up my mind to pay good money for him I'd save a whole lot of coin," said Barney Dreyfuss, president of the Phillies. "In the last eight years I have expended about \$170,000 for ballplayers, and only about \$10,000 worth of them turned out to be the real article. And I'm not the only magnate that has been stung in this way. I know a good friend of mine in Cincinnati bought lemons by the crate, under the impression that they were luscious peaches, and I'm willing to bet that he didn't fare any better than I did. And this is a feature that is even worse than that. If an owner pays a lot of money for a player and finds that he is no good he doesn't feel so very bad. But if he turns that player over to some other club, the wily manager of which way at Montreal will give him and converts him into a star, then a man is entitled to a headache. But we'll keep in doing that very thing as long as we stay in baseball. A player may look pretty good before he faces the big league batters, but his heart may fail him at the psychological moment, and away blows a bunch of pretty greenbacks. I think the baseball magnate is the biggest come-on in the world. He is an easy mark for the bunco game."

The Montreal Jockey Club has decided upon racing dates for this year. The spring meeting will open at Blue Bonnets on June 6 and continue until June 20. This season will conflict with Gravesend and Sheephead Bay, as was the case last year, and will attract horses that have raced at Benning and Pimlico, with perhaps 150 horses from the metropolitan tracks, who will be racing at Montreal will go to Buffalo. The autumn meeting will open on Aug. 29, and will extend probably to Sept. 19. This will prove a magnet for horses that have been running at Saratoga and Empire City. Last year Montreal attracted 150 horses from Yonkers, 50 from Saratoga and about 100 from the local tracks. The Montreal Jockey Club expects that many noted turnouts, including J. E. Madden, J. H. McCormick, R. P. Corman, S. C. Hildreth, J. E. Widener, J. W. Colt and others, will operate at Blue Bonnets.

The difficulties of sending wireless messages during the hours of daylight have been overcome to a great extent.

NELSON'S SIMPLE LIFE MAY HELP

Battling Dane, Now Matched To Meet Boer, Differs From Rest.

Detroit, Jan. 21.—Will Bat Nelson come back?

Some say he has, some say he hasn't; other experts maintain he never will—that the beatings he has received have been too much for him. The dopsters seem to overlook one thing, that the durable Dane's case is not like that of Lavigne, Corbett, McGovern, Dixon and the rest. Nelson never touched a drop of liquor in his life, and has always tried to keep in condition. If he does "come back" it will be a triumph of the "simple life" over the primrose path.

Were Matched Saturday. Nelson and Rudolph Unholz were matched on Saturday at Los Angeles, Cal., by Manager McCarey, of the Pacific Athletic Club, to battle ten rounds on Feb. 18. Bat demanded a 10 per cent bonus, claiming he was the drawing card. Unholz was not willing to give the bonus, claiming that by defeating Memsie he was made the drawing card there.

To settle the question McCarey suggested the two fighters shake dice to see whether Bat should receive 10 per cent or 5. Unholz won.

Nelson is scheduled to meet "Kid" Scaler there on Feb. 4 for a \$1,000 side bet. Many think Scaler will side-step Bat, and forfeit the money, which Edie Graney, of San Francisco, holds.

Forfeits have been posted by Packey McFarland and Nelson for a match in the near future. The winner will get a chance to tackle Joe Gans, who will be having a step from his Baltimore "retirement."

Johnson in Detroit.

Jack Johnson, the negro pugilist who advertises himself as the "man who challenged Jeffries, and who is matched to fight Tommy Burns," is in Detroit, appearing at the Avenue Theatre. Johnson is a classy boxer and a big fellow for stage purposes. Clever advertising has kept him before the public, and he is now the logical man to meet Burns.

Nelson has received a telegram from Packey McFarland asking for a battle. Packey states he will give "Bat" a \$5,000 side bet.

Nelson has not replied to McFarland yet, but said yesterday: "The \$5,000 is all right, but Packey will have to wait until I get through with this tough boy, Unholz. One job at a time is enough. When I get to McFarland's case he will have to make 131 at 6 o'clock for me."

Nelson meets Unholz at catch weights here on