

THE SPORTING NEWS OF A DAY.

PROPOSED CHANGES IN O. R. F. U.

Toronto, Dec. 1.—Time for receiving notices of motion to amend the playing rules, constitution and regulations and rules of competition of the O. R. F. U. expired on Saturday last. There are many amendments, which will be considered at the annual meeting of the Ontario Rugby Football Union, which will be held at the King Edward Hotel on Saturday, Dec. 10, at 2 p.m. A summary of the proposed changes is appended:

To adopt the Quebec Union rules.

To limit all delays from whatever cause to two minutes, instead of five minutes, as at present.

To strike out of the duties of the umpire, "illegal movements of players," and put it under the referee's duties.

To provide for the appointment of a head linesman, who is not a member of either team, to direct the assistant linesmen, and also report to the referee any play persistently loading off-side.

To insert a three-yard rule for off-side instead of the present rule governing "fair catch."

To allow a try when a player of the attacking side crosses the dead-ball line.

To amend the scoring rules so as to provide for a penalty touch. A penalty touch is when a player of the defending side commits any foul, including a forward pass, behind the goal line, it is to count two points.

To do away with scoring a point for a rouge or a touch-in-goal. The defending side to bring the ball out as for a kick.

To prevent the snapper-back making any motion as if to snap the ball without snapping it.

To more clearly define the rule regarding players of the side in possession being motionless when the ball is being put in play.

To prevent players interfering in any way by blocking or tackling an opponent following up the ball on a kick-off, kick-out, free kick by way of penalty, or free kick from a mark. The penalty will be a scrumage ten yards in advance.

To define more clearly the powers of the sub-committee.

To add the following to the constitution:

"The union reserves to itself the right of placing teams in whatever series it may deem best for the interest of the union."

To add the following to the regulations and rules of competition: The executive may suspend or expel any player for rough playing or for conduct unbecoming to a gentleman.

To change the residence rule from July 1 to Sept. 1.

To provide for each team playing in the proper costume and colors as registered with the secretary of the union. This is to prevent the variety of uniform and colors which are generally seen in a game.

To provide for an age limit in the junior series.

To substitute 20th of September instead of 25th as the last date for teams putting up their deposits.

To provide some punishment for defaulting clubs in addition to the loss of their deposits.

To add the following paragraph to the rules requiring referees to report the results of matches: The referee shall keep a list of the players ruled off during a match on a form to be supplied by the union to the secretary of each home club. The secretary of the home club shall furnish the referee with this form before the match. The report made by the referee on this form shall include the names of the players ruled off, the number of times ruled off, the offense and the penalty imposed. This report must be forwarded by the referee to the secretary of the union within three days of the match.

To amend the first part of the rule governing the union's share of the gate, in senior games to read as follows: "In all championship matches, the home club is required to collect an admission fee. The gate receipts of all senior championship games, after deducting the union's share, shall belong to the home club. The union's share shall be \$25 from each senior game, unless there are six or more clubs playing in the senior series, in which case it shall be \$20."

To provide for the punishment of players and teams who have "knowingly" competed against professionals.

JAP GAME WOULD KILL WRESTLING

"Jiu jitsu is nothing but a cross between the old-fashioned collar-and-elbow wrestling and rough-and-tumble fighting." Such is the opinion of Tom Jenkins, formerly the world's champion wrestler, recently defeated in a great match by George Hackenschmidt, the "Russian Lion," in London, says the Cleveland Press.

"While I was in London this summer I was attracted by the claims of Jiu jitsu, a Japanese who was in London exploiting the Japanese system of self-defense, and took the opportunity of investigating the system, which was making a great hit in London. With me, Fushan went over the category of some 250 to 300 holds employed in the yellow man's system, and I was able to show him that there was really nothing new about it at all, but that every hold had been in use among English schoolboys for hundreds of years."

"The promoters of the system aver that by its use any man can overcome one twice his size, weight and strength, and that is true enough. Then the question arises: How can a man's bones be broken? And there's the rub. The jiu jitsu holds have been known to English and American wrestlers for years and years, and they have been thought so little of that most of them have been barred."

"Here is a sample jiu jitsu hold. Place your hands crossed at the elbow on your opponent's shoulders. Take a firm grip of his coat and force back his head. You could break his neck if you bent it far enough, but do you suppose a man in his senses is going to stand still and let you cut that sort of caper with him? Surely not."

"Some people have an idea that jiu jitsu is a sport. It isn't. I have received dozens of letters from people who would like to see me win, advising me to take up Japanese jiu jitsu and win back the world's championship. 'Why, jiu jitsu would kill wrestling if it were permitted on the American mat. There is no struggle, as all there is to it is each man taking a bone-breaking hold and then tugging until one or the other sacrifices a bone, when he taps the mat, and admits defeat. No referees are used, and it is wholly a question of which man's bones are strongest and least likely to break.'"

BASEBALL.

HARDER NEXT YEAR.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 1.—Arrangement for the southern trip of the Boston Americans has been completed. After two weeks on preliminary work at Macon, Ga., the boys will play fifteen games before the opening of the season with the strong minor league clubs. They will also play four games with Cincinnati. The young pitchers will be worked out during the exhibition games. Collins says he realizes that Boston will have a much harder time to win the pennant next season than it has ever had before, but he will start out with the intention of making it three straight.

THE TURF.

THE HENDRIE CASE.

Not as sensational as it may appear at first glance is the conviction of Mr. William Hendrie, reported in Toronto dispatches, for "keeping a gaming house at Woodbine racetrack." In other words sanctioning the making of a book during the races of the Ontario Jockey Club, says today's Detroit Free Press. Mr. Hendrie is merely figuring in a test case, that once and for all, will determine the status of the book-maker on Ontario courses. The case is one of importance, of course, to Woodbine, Hamilton and Fort Erie, but with the past in mind, and with the spirit of the law, the case will be decided in but one thing—dissemination of the case and continuance of book-making at legitimate meetings, both running the trotting. The one case that has been cited as one in which a conviction was secured, at Windsor, did not deal with the booking on a legitimate meeting, but with the conducting of a foreign book, which amounts, in the end, to the same as conducting a poolroom.

YESTERDAY'S WINNERS.

At Benning—Arsenal, 8 to 1; Winchester, 15 to 1; Gascara, 8 to 1; Delphie, 6 to 1; Hippocrates, 2½ to 1; Charter, 20 to 1.

THE RING.

NEW CLUB IN PORT HURON.

Port Huron, Mich., Dec. 2.—This city is to have a new sporting club, by name the International Athletic. The first event before the club will be a 20 between Mike Ward of Sarnia, and Jack O'Keefe, Eddie Ryan, of Detroit, is to be the referee.

LOST TO MATTHEWS.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 2.—Last night Matty Matthews, of Philadelphia, defeated Wm. Faby, of New Orleans, in ten rounds. The fight was pulled off before the Unexpected Athletic Club.

CARPETBALL.

TRAFALGAR LODGE WON.

A game which was postponed from Nov. 3 in the S. O. E. Carpetball League was played on Wednesday between British Oak and Trafalgar Lodges. Trafalgar won by the score of 52 to 38.

YOUNG CORBETT IN THE HOSPITAL.

San Francisco, Dec. 1.—Young Corbett, who suffered a concussion after his fight with Battling Nelson, was rushed to the Emergency hospital in the city. The doctor reported that a gash on the top of his head was sewed up with three stitches, and two stitches were taken in his upper lip. Corbett is very sore about the body today, but generally in good shape. He attributes his defeat to taking of 17 pounds in too great a hurry, and to the fact that he ate too heartily at the banquet just after weighing in. He had starved himself all day to come within the limit, and the temptation to eat made a better showing, but he did not say he could whip Nelson.

The Dane was unmarked, except for a slight swelling over one eye. Nelson won.

THE WEATHER TODAY - Fair and much colder.

Opening of Toys Saturday.

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A large assortment of Dainty Fans for evening use, in white, pale blue, black and white, with ivory sticks, painted designs, lace and sequin trimmings. Each, from 75c to **\$1.00**

Celebrated Le Maire's Opera Glasses, in white, opalescent and smoked pearl. Each, \$3.00 to **\$11.00**

Also Black Morocco Leather Opera Glasses, from each \$4.00 to **\$5.00**

Handsome Lace Berthas, in white and ecru, suitable for evening wear, from each, \$2.75 to **\$10.00**

Lace Pichus, in white and ecru, from each, \$3.00 to **\$5.25**

Lace Collars, in cream and ecru, from each, 75c to **\$4.50**

Beautiful Scarfs for evening and street wear, in Spanish Lace and Embroidered Brussels Net, in white, ecru and black, from each 35c to **\$4.00**

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The choicest styles in Isabella Fox; ruffs with head and tail, double ruffs with two tails; long stoles, satin lined, with two tails, muff to match, in either round, with head and tail, or Empire style.

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Meeting of Library Board Was Not a Love Feast

Chairman Jeffrey and Mr. Egan Cross Swords Over Item of Expenditure.

BOTH LONDON CLUBS ARE IN

Thistles and London Curlers Entered in Tankard and Cup Contests.

The draws for the Tankard and District Cup competitions of the Ontario Curling Association were made at Toronto. The competitions give promise of being very keen, as 78 clubs are entered for the tankard and 68 for the district cup. The London Club and the Thistles are in both. The western groups are:

TANKARD SERIES.

Group No. 3.—Preliminary Round—A—St. Thomas vs. Avy.

Second Round—Winner of A vs. Ingersoll, Woodstock vs. Embury, Galt Granite vs. London, Galt vs. London Thistles. Play at London. Umpire, T. O. Robson.

Group No. 6.—Preliminary Round—A—Glencoe vs. Detroit.

First Round—Winner of A vs. Chatham, Grand Rapids vs. St. Marys, Windsor vs. Petrolia, Thamesville vs. Toledo. Play at Sarnia. Umpire, W. K. Cameron.

Group No. 7.—Preliminary Round—A—Berlin vs. Preston.

First Round—Winner of A vs. St. Marys, Clinton vs. Guelph Royal City, Guelph Union vs. Bright Seaforth vs. Stratford. Play at Stratford. Umpire, R. Thompson.

Group No. 8.—Preliminary Round—A—Fergus vs. Palmerston.

First Round—Winner of A vs. Southampton, Owen Sound vs. Lucknow, Walkerton vs. Harrison, Wingham vs. Elora. Play at Harrison. Umpire, A. Conington.

DISTRICT CUP—DRAW 1.

District No. 4.—Preliminary Round—A—Owen Sound vs. Guelph Royal City, B—Southampton vs. Palmerston, C—Mount Forest vs. Seaforth, D—Guelph Union vs. Stratford, E—Fergus vs. Georgetown.

First Round—Winner of A vs. B, C vs. D, E vs. Harrison, Wingham vs. Elora. Play at Guelph. Umpire, W. Hogg.

District No. 6.—Preliminary Round—A—London Thistles vs. Theford, B—Toledo vs. Sarnia, C—Petrolia vs. Windsor, D—Parkhill vs. Detroit, E—St. Thomas vs. Forest.

First Round—Winner of A vs. B, C vs. D, E vs. Chatham, Grand Rapids vs. St. Marys. Play at London. Umpire, T. H. Brunton.

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taxes might be asked from the city rather.

"You were always against having a museum," he told the chairman.

The discussion became rather warm, but the chairman finally ruled the first clause of the report out of order, because its recommendation was not covered by the estimates.

"Read the Library Act," said Mr. Egan.

"That is also out of order," said the chairman. "I have made my ruling."

The chairman said that if it was necessary for him to instruct the members in the rules of order, he would tell them to move a discussion of his ruling, if they disputed it. This was done by Mr. Macklin, and seconded by Mr. Egan. The motion was lost.

"This thing will come before the public," protested Mr. Egan.

"All right," said the chairman, "but I don't think a senior member of the board should talk like that in the face of the chairman."

Mr. Egan then read from the act, which said that it was within the power of the board to start a museum, "I don't doubt that," said the chairman, "but it could not rightly be done."

Another member expressed it as his opinion that the chairman was obstructing the proceedings on technicalities. Still another would have liked to see an art museum started, but did not relish the paying out of \$150.

A motion to reconsider clause 1 of the report was finally carried. The chairman claiming, however, that such action was out of order.

The question of putting boards on the library steps was referred to the finance committee with power.

Accounts were passed to the amount of \$286.01.

The library committee stated that they had ordered the purchase of 85 new volumes of books at a cost of \$302.

Following is Librarian Blackwell's report for the month of November: Circulation: Fiction, 3,144; juveniles, 899; miscellaneous, 1,787; magazines, 622; total, 6,366. Average circulation of books per day, 249; magazines, 27; total, 276. The receipts amounted to \$34.42; average fines per day, 76 cents; cards issued, 107; making 11,550 in date.

REVISION OF FRENCH CODE

The First Since Napoleon's Promulgation of 1804.

Paris, Dec. 1. — Minister of Justice Valle has appointed a commission of the most prominent jurists, senators and deputies to revise the civil code. This will be the first comprehensive revision of the code since Napoleon promulgated it in 1804. The Napoleonic system is to remain the substantial basis, but the commission is directed to revise into the important elements of legal systems of other countries for the purpose of incorporating them in the French code.

A Temperance Organizer.

Toronto, Dec. 1.—The Dominion Alliance has added to its number of field workers and organizers, Rev. G. M. Brown, of Benlheim.

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