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ON THE WINTER TRACKS.

Two Favorites and a Runaway at New Orleans—All the Results and Entries for the Day.

New Orleans, Dec. 18.—The crowd was a large one, the racing spirited, with heavy betting. Favorites were only twice successful. In the second the favorite, Miss Verne, and Al Lone ran the route to a false start, and never figured in the subsequent race.

First race, 6 furlongs—Damocles, 106 (Barrett), 7 to 10, 1; Bryan, 105 (Caywood), 3 to 1, 2; Sobriquet, 96 (Songer), 200 to 1, 3. Time 1.15¾. Pelleas, Anna May and Domino also ran.

Second race, 5 furlongs—Sharon, 108 (Scherer), 3 to 1, 1; Gold Top, 108 (Willhite), 12 to 1, 2; Juanita, 105 (Turner), 30 to 1, 3. Time 1.02½. Sugar Cane, Fred Craft, Ethel Farrell, Plaudita, Cavalry, Sanguine, Augustin, A F Resclę, Al Lone, Miss Verne also ran.

Third race, mile and 20 yards—Seabrook, 98 (Relff), 8 to 5, 1; Cotton King, 98 (Willhite), 20 to 1, 2; Dorothy III., 95 (Hirsch), 3 to 1, 3. Time 1.44½. Judge Steadman, Volmar, Bizarre, Alto June, May Ashby, Pirate, Trixie also ran.

Fourth race, 6 furlongs—Clymena, 101 (Hirsch), 10 to 1, 1; Scribe, 106 (Scherer), 7 to 5, 2; Hill Billy, 109 (Vandisen), 10 to 1, 3. Time 1.15½. Viscount, Jack Hayes, Cannonade also ran.

Fifth race, 6 furlongs—Denver, 104 (Morse), 15 to 1, 1; Princess Rose, 104 (German), 20 to 1, 2; Tom Sayre, 104 (Warren), 5 to 1, 3. Time 1.16½. Longbrook, Gomor, Pisa, Gluck, Come Away, Roslyn, Darien also ran.

Sixth race, 6 furlongs—Moloch, 104 (Tuberville), 6 to 1, 1; Senator Morrill, 107 (Caywood), 13 to 5, 2; Elano, 104 (Ross), 3. Time 1.15¼. Miss Clark, Little Billy, Buckmore, Billy Jordan, Necedah, Ruth, Whiff also ran.

TWO FAVORITES WON.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 18.—First race, 5½ furlongs—Seaside, 102 (Isom), 5 to 1, 1; Banjo, 105 (Spencer), 6 to 1, 2; Artemus, 102 (Martin), 11 to 5, 3. Time 1.12¼.

Second race, 6 furlongs—Manzanilla, 115 (Jones), 4 to 1, 1; Keyo, 110 (Coady), 6 to 1, 2; Atticus, 107 (Shaw), 8 to 5, 3. Time 1.12.

Third race, 7 furlongs—Aquinas, 95 (Slaughter), 1 to 6, 1; Horatio, 108 (Shaw), 10 to 1, 2; Personne, 111 (Golden), 6 to 1, 3. Time 1.34¼.

Fourth race, 5½ furlongs—Doyle, 102 (Slaughter), 12 to 1, 1; Hneneme, 105 (Shaw), 10 to 1, 2; Walter J., 108 (Thorpe), 13 to 5, 3. Time 1.12.

Fifth race, mile—Strathmeath, 106 (Thorpe), 7 to 5, 1; Little Crimple, 107 (Jones), 16 to 5, 2; Hermanita, 107 (Martin), 11 to 5, 3. Time 1.46.

FAVORITES AT SINGERLY.

Singerly, Dec. 18.—The attendance was up to the average; the track good and the card interesting. Iron Hill will not open until Christmas Day.

First race, ⅞ mile—Juanita, 8 to 5, 1; Mark Stone, 7 to 10, place, 2; Spaniard 3. Time 1.08.

Second race, ¾ mile—Margaret Roth, 4 to 1, 1; Kassala, 1 to 2, place, 2; Lizzie M 3. Time 1.23.

Third race, ¾ mile—Eustre, 7 to 10, 1; Cosette, 9 to 5, place, 2; One Chance 3. Time 1.22.

Fourth race, ¾ mile—Fox Glove, 9 to 5, 1; Salvor, 8 to 5, place, 2; Setaucket 3. Time 1.24.

Fifth race, 4½ furlongs—Key West, 3 to 1, 1; Tancred, 4 to 5, 2; Rossmar 3. Time .59.

St. Louis, Dec. 18.—First race, 4½ furlongs—Tony Mack, even 1; Claude Hill, even 2; Little Dick 3. Time .58½.

Second race, ⅞ mile—Virginia II., 8 to 1, 1; Impress, 7 to 5, 2; Tiffin 3. Time 1.06½.

Third race, 5½ furlongs—Jim Baker, 2 to 1, 1; Emperor Billet, even, 2; May Blossom 3. Time 1.13.

Fourth race, ½ mile—Little Nell, 3 to 1, 1; Little Lewis, 1 to 2, 2; Imp. Mother of Pearl 3. Time .51.

Fifth race, ¾ mile—Fannie D, 10 to 1, 1; Wild Flower, 6 to 1, 2; Patrolman 3. Time 1.19.

HOW STOLEN BICYCLES TRAVEL.

Stolen bicycles travel a long way. An incident is related where a young man lost his wheel in Boston a year ago, and although the detectives of that city did their utmost they were unable to apprehend the thief. Several other wheels had been taken in Boston and the police lost all track of them. The rider in question journeyed to Europe a few months later, and, while walking down the Strand in London, turned to observe a wheel that looked extremely familiar. It stood up against a second-hand store and was battered and worn. What was the young man's surprise to identify the wheel that had been stolen from him several months before. Not appreciating the situation, he made an effort to claim the wheel, but, of course, it was impossible for him to obtain possession of it. It is wondered whether the bicycle thieves find a market for their illicit trade in foreign countries.

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SPORTING NOTES.

John S. Johnson has constructed a pair of skates and shoes for Jimmy Michael, who will skate this winter.

Bob Armstrong, the big, hard-hitting protege of Parson Davies, is to meet Charley Strong of Newark in a 20-round bout at the Broadway Athletic Club next Monday night.

They are still playing football in the West, and to-day the Carlisle Indian team will play the University of Wisconsin at Chicago. The Indians took a band of music West, and will make this the final game of the greatest football season they have ever had.

John Teemer, the formerly great oarsman, has returned to McKeesport. His place in St. Louis was burned last week. He will likely make McKeesport his permanent home, having been asked to organize and train a rowing club at McKeesport.

It is very probable that Riley Grannan's case against the Jockey Club will be dropped. Judge Dykman at White Plains said yesterday that he had received no notice of a continuation of the case. If brought up at all it will not be moved till the racing season opens in the East. There is but little doubt, however, that if it is brought up the Jockey Club will win its case.

W. McDowall holds open sparrow and bluerock shoots for turkeys at the Woodbine grounds this afternoon. There will also be pigeon matches. Shooting starts at 2 o'clock.

To-night two sparring events are billed for the Princess Theatre. Harry Gilmore and Jack Hanley meet in a 20-round bout, and Frank Erne and Callahan box four rounds. The show is announced under the auspices of the Toronto Rowing Club, and should be well conducted.

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WOULD LIKE A $25,000 BET

Corbett Need Not Worry About a Side Wager, Says Lanky Bob.

George Siler Suits Him as Referee and He Wants Al Smith for Stakeholder—Julian Wires That They Will Start Shortly From San Francisco for New York—Fitzsimmons Issues a Statement to the Public.

San Francisco, Dec. 18.—In a statement to the public Robert Fitzsimmons thanks his friends for the aid they have extended him in his fight in court to secure the $10,000 purse which he says he honestly won in his fistic battle with Sharkey. He declares that his opponents, finding that the justice of the case was with him, had it dismissed on the ground that the contest was a prize fight, and had it standing before the court. This move, he says, fully reflected the utter hopelessness of the defence. He asserts he still has faith in the belief that there are honest referees in San Francisco, and says he is willing to meet anyone whom he has not defeated. He also says he will meet Sharkey again at the latter's pleasure. Fitzsimmons closes by saying he has always been and always would be opposed to foul methods.

In reference to the articles of agreement signed yesterday by James J. Corbett, Bob Fitzsimmons says:

"I am glad Corbett has signed for a finish fight. I held out for a fight of that kind, and I am pretty well satisfied from the look of things that I did not hold out in vain. I don't believe I would consent to meet Corbett in any other kind of a match.

"If I am well satisfied with George Siler as referee and with Al Smith as holder of the stakes, and as to the date, March 17 suits me as well as any other day. In fact, whatever arrangements Stuart imposes as to date and location will be agreeable to me. I hear that Corbett insists that there shall be a $10,000 side bet. Well, he need not worry about that. He can make it $25,000 a side if he likes, and I will find my end of the stake. We were to fight for $10,000 a side originally, and it was simply at Corbett's request that the figures were reduced to $5000 a side."

Manager Julian has wired Dan Stuart that Fitzsimmons and he will leave for New York within a few days, and will there sign the articles of agreement.

UNIFORM RACING RULES.

Fresh and Salt Water Yachtsmen Working Therefor To-Day in Rochester.

A despatch from New York states that a special meeting of the New York Yacht Club will be held next Tuesday, the 22nd, for the purpose of considering the advisability of convening delegates from different yacht clubs throughout the country with a view of organizing the Yacht Racing League of America.

This proposed movement on the part of the Easterners is of particular interest to the yachtsmen of Toronto and of Lake Ontario in general, for the reason that of late they have been making strenuous efforts to secure the adoption of a uniform code of rules by the yacht clubs of the Great Lakes. Rochester and Toronto sailors have been the leaders of the movement, but their most ambitious ideas never contemplated co-operation with the salt water sailors.

They hoped only to secure the adoption of one set of rules by the clubs of Lake Michigan, Lake Erie and Lake Ontario, but there is no doubt that they will gladly accept any invitation to act with the yachtsmen of the Atlantic coast.

The Venezolo-Canada race of last summer made the salt water yachtsmen aware of the importance of yachting on the lakes, and they probably realize now that the inland clubs must receive consideration in the future in formulating any rules and regulations designed for general adoption. The action of the New York Yacht Club on the 22nd will be awaited with great interest by all lake yachtsmen.

As at present existing, the rules in the different clubs are so at variance with each other that a yachtsman having decided to build his yacht hardly knows in what class he will sail, excepting in one section of the country, especially as not only does the classification differ, but also the system of measurement.

The younger clubs provide rules for their small yachts, which do not fully apply to the larger ones, and in their attempt to open their regattas for all sizes of vessels there is a complication of questions brought about very difficult for the regatta committees to answer. Similar difficulties constantly arise from the fact that the yacht clubs of New York sail under a different classification and system of measurement from those around Boston, and still another system is used on the Great Lakes.

That the yachtsmen of the country are now ripe for a movement of this nature may be seen from the fact that unions and yacht racing associations have been formed, which have resulted in a benefit to the clubs and to their members. It is with an idea of overcoming all the difficulties which smaller unions are obliged to meet that this call will be issued. The aim of the Yacht Racing League will be to establish uniform classification, system of measurement and racing rules, the promotion of yacht building, the encouragement and elevation of the sport and the preservation of the yachting history and racing records of the yachts of the continent, all under the direction of one governing body, this body to be composed of the ablest men in the sport.

The great benefits to be derived from action of this character, say the men who have been active in calling next Tuesday's meeting, especially when under the fostering care of such an organization, would produce results even beyond the hopes of the originators of the movement. "It will be the means," it is asserted, "of bringing together the yachtsmen from all parts of the country, giving them an opportunity to exchange ideas in the interest of the sport, thereby creating a fraternal feeling which shall add to rather than detract from the zest with which they will race their yachts."

A similar organization, which has been in existence in Great Britain for years, has resulted in great benefits to yachting, and is managed by the most prominent yachtsmen, the Prince of Wales being president of the organization. It makes the rules to govern all questions pertaining to yacht racing, and its influence has not only been wide, but in every way admirable.

THE L.Y.R.A. MEETING.

The following delegates from the R.C.Y.C. left for Rochester yesterday to attend the meeting of the Lake Yacht Racing Association: C. A. B. Brown, G. H. Gooderham, A. E. Jarvis and Carl Reid. A Hamilton despatch last night said: The meeting will be a lively one. The delegates from the local yacht clubs will leave for that city this evening, and are: Hamilton—Messrs. E. H. Ambrose, Frank Monck, J. H. Fearnside and Commodore Lucas. Victoria—George Webster, W. H. Burnside and Vice-Commodore F. E. Walker. Mr. Burnside, it is said, will carry proxies from the Queen City Yacht Club, and the Hamilton men hope, with these, to carry the balance of power in the matter of the proposed amendments, which most of them will oppose.

SUTTON BEAT HARRISON.

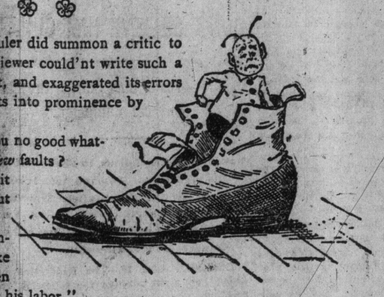
Chicago, Dec. 18.—John Thacher (220) defeated John Matthews (300) in the Bensing Park billiard tournament this afternoon, by 220 to 208. Averages: Thacher 35-37. Matthews 7 16-36. High runs: Thacher 29, Matthews 51. In the evening game George Sutton (260) defeated William Harrison (280), by 260 to 231. Averages: Sutton 18 8-16, Harrison 2 5-13. High runs: Sutton 81, 51, 42 and 41. Harrison 11.

WASHINGTON'S SIX-DAYS' RACE.

Washington, Dec. 18.—Teddy Hale, the Irish cyclist, who won the recent six-day go-as-you-please bicycle race at Madison Square Garden, New York, together with the nine men who finished next to him, will contest in a six-day bicycle race in this city, commencing Monday, Dec. 28, at 2 o'clock.

The Washington race will not be a go-as-you-please affair, but the cyclists will ride 40 hours a day for six days, making a 48-hours' race.

SHOES OF SYMPATHY.



ONCE upon a time an Eastern Ruler did summon a critic to review a book, and as this Reviewer could'nt write such a good book himself, he *reviled* it, and exaggerated its errors so grossly that he finally threw its merits into prominence by showing how *few* were its faults.

"But," said the Potentate, "see you no good whatsoever in a book which has only *these few* faults?

"Oh yes!" said the Critic, "but it not *my* business to point out the *good*, but to *discover* the bad."

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A better line, regular 30c, Monday	.10	Magnificent Black Seal Purses, with plain seal linings, regular $2.50, now	1.79
Fine Surah Twill Neck Handkerchiefs, regular 38c, Monday	.19	Here's a snap—500 Ladies' Hand-Painted Glove and Handkerchief Boxes, worth regular 75c, our price Monday for the full set	.35
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ROSEDALE GOLFERS' NEW QUARTERS.

The Rosedale Golf Club will likely have a clubhouse of their own next year. A difficulty with the Lacrosse Association has induced the golfers themselves to rent the property through which their links are laid out, and thus practically break away from the T.L. and A.A., as formerly the field was leased by the older organization. The Golf Club have the refusal of the old Reid residence, just north of the second bridge, which will make an excellent club house for the members.

The Varsity Athletic Association have permission from the college council to build a rink on the new Varsity field. The banking will be done just north of residence and near the western walk.

The Rosedale Cricket Club are already formulating plans for an extended Eastern trip next summer. They propose to visit Ottawa, Montreal, Halifax and other cricketing centres in the East.

The Millbrook Hockey Club has organized for the coming season with the following officers: W T Wood, hon. president; W D Leach, president; Geo E Burnham, vice-president; E S Clarry, secretary; W H Coombe, treasurer; J Nattrass, H Duncan and H Wood, committee.

BLIZZARD AT ST. JOHN'S.

Telegraph Lines are Broken and Railway Traffic is Blocked.

St. John's, Nfld., Dec. 18.—A blizzard which has been raging here for the past two days has caused much devastation. Telegraph lines are broken, railways blocked and all traffic impeded. There are immense snow drifts near Holy Road and where the railroad runs close to the seashore an extensive washout renders the running of trains impossible.

The schooner Pioneer, with a cargo of fish, is ashore at Carbonear. Her crew were two days without food, driving before the gale before they were rescued. Other casualties are feared, but owing to difficulty of communication it will be impossible to learn for some days the full extent of the damage done by the storm.

Among the list of passengers booked by Mr. A. F. Webster to sail this week for Europe appear the following prominent Torontonians: Mr John Northway, Mr William Smith, Mrs Smith, Miss Smith, Miss Ada Smith, Mr Robert Bright, Mr John Martin, Miss Knapp and Mr William Ward.

CANADIAN RUGBY UNION.

Annual Meeting To-Day at the T.A.C. to Adopt an Amateur Rule.

The Canadian Rugby Union holds its annual meeting at the Toronto Athletic Club to-day opening at 1.45 p.m. The delegates from Quebec are J. Savage, A. J. Whitman and E. F. Gleeson; from Ontario, A. B. Ford, B. Osler and J. McDougal. These, with the officers, Alexis Martin, president, V. C. Buchanan, vice-president, and E. Bayly, secretary, constitute the meeting. Both the Ontario and Quebec Unions have recommended that the time of games be made shorter. The Executive of the C.R.U. will advise the adoption of an amateur rule. In all probability very little will be done at the meeting besides consideration of the above matters, the transaction of routine business and the election of officers.

RUSIE AND WARD FOR LOUISVILLE.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 18.—Vice President Dehler of the Louisville Ball Club is authority for the statement that negotiations have been concluded with John Ward, whereby he is to become manager of the Louisville Club. President Stucky is now in New York for his health, and Dehler says he will sign Ward before returning home. Dehler also says that Louisville will make an exchange of Clarke for Rusie, and that the latter will consent to play in Louisville a deal will be made.

WILLIAMS CHALLENGES CREEDON.

New York, Dec. 18.—Jim Williams, the middleweight of the Pacific coast, has issued a challenge to Dan Creedon for the middleweight championship. Williams fought Sharkey eight rounds just previous to the latter's meeting with Corbett.

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