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News of Sport.

FOLLIS OF EASTPORT IS LOOKING FOR MATCHES.

Anxious to Lower the Colors of Some of New Brunswick's Fast Skaters—Races New Year's Night—A Few Words About Britt.

SKATING.

Race For New Year's Night.

Proprietor Hanson of the Arctic rink has arranged for some of St. John's fastest skaters to be here on Monday next to skate a series of races that evening. Those who are expected include Logan, Billy Merritt, Ed. Dalton and Mike Walsh. These men should put up a good race and upon their actions and general work will depend the life of the speed skating game in this town. A race of two between some of the local skaters will probably be run off also. (Frederickton Gleaner, Dec. 29.)

An Eastport Champion.

While Eastport has turned out several speedy skaters on ice and rollers in past years the one holding the best records is Fred O. Follis, who has again donned the long steel runners and is now prepared to meet all comers in any part of Maine or Canada.

In 1894 Follis started to make a record as a champion. Follis has his first race with William Harris, who he defeated then won against William Greenlaw, followed by a race with Hinton Brown of St. John N. B., who was considered one of the fastest skaters in New Brunswick at that time. Follis also won out and then tried William Henry of St. Stephen N. B. who was also one of the fastest and most popular skaters on the "long runners," but again Follis came in a winner.

In '95, with Hinton Brown he gave exhibition races in a number of New Brunswick rinks and also skated against some of the best amateur skaters in the provinces.

He defeated Ed. Dalton, won from Mike Walsh, defeated George Beverly in a one-half mile contest at the Victoria rink St. John, being credited with the fast time of 1:29.

His other victories during that season were races with George Lamb and William Merritt both of St. John the latter being credited with the amateur championship of New Brunswick during '95 and '96.

In 1896 he defeated A. Clark, William Greenlaw, Frank Varney, Jas. Thorpe of this city and later won from William Merritt of St. John, who also branched out as a roller champion in the provinces.

The next year Follis won from Geo. Law the Hamilton champion, who was considered one of the best am-

ateurs in northern Maine, and later won from Frank Varney.

The following year Follis had an opportunity of defeating James Turner, the Boston colored roller champion, who claimed to be the champion colored roller of the world, and from his speed here evidently was at the top in his work.

Follis is also an all-round athlete, having won many medals and cash prizes in different contests, as polo vaulting, running, jumping and was also considered a fast bicycle rider.

Credit Where Due.

If one sportsman more than another deserves credit for arranging annual championship skating races in Montreal, it is Louis Rubenstein. He has for years been a sportsman of the right type, and has put skates before himself. It was not so long since he was champion figure skater of the world, and he can still turn a few tricks on the steel blades that will dazzle spectators. Mr. Rubenstein is one of the best skaters and bowlers in the city and finds time to give both sports the attention they merit. He it was who was responsible for the arrangement to hold annual skating races, and his efforts to make the coming race a success seem likely to be rewarded. (Montreal Herald.)

HOCKEY

Good Rules.

The following suggestions to referees in the Ontario Hockey Association, by Secretary Hewitt, may be taken to heart all over the country by referees and players alike. In each play by dropping the puck on the ice between the sticks of the two players who are to face it. The blades of the sticks shall be on the ice. Penalize any player who delays the game by violating this rule.

Insist on matches beginning promptly at the advertised time. The team or teams failing to comply with this order shall be fined \$50 per team.

The referee has control of all officials, and his decision shall be final. He will appoint the goal umpires and the penalty timekeeper himself. A timekeeper shall be appointed by the captain of each team.

In case of an accident to any player, to leave him to leave the ice, the opposing side shall immediately drop a man to equalize the teams.

There shall be no delays from any cause whatever. Announce each goal as scored, either by word of mouth, or by ringing a gong provided for the purpose.

CURLING.

Game in Full Swing.

Every night and afternoon the members of the Thistles are enjoying their good ice. On Monday the members of the presidents' rink will endeavor to even up with the rinks headed by the vice-presidents, the latter having won the Christmas day's game.

A meeting of the members of St. Andrew's Curling Club will be held next Tuesday night, when skips for a number of matches will be elected.

The ice is in excellent condition for curling and the members are enjoying scratch matches.

The St. Andrew's ice yesterday was occupied by two rinks composed of the lady members of the St. Andrew's Club. The match was the first of the season and the score on the last end showed a tie, 7 to 7.

THE RING.

Present Champions.

Bantamweight—Jem. Bowker, of London, England.

Legitimate featherweight—Abe Attoll of San Francisco.

Heavy featherweight—128 to 130—Jimmy Britt of San Francisco.

Lightweight—Joe Gans of Baltimore.

Welterweight—Joe Wolcott of Boston.

Middle and light heavyweight—Robert Fitzsimmons defeated Jim Hall in four rounds at New Orleans, March 8, 1903. Claimed by Jack O'Brien and Tommy Ryan.

Heavyweight—James J. Jeffries.

A new bantamweight champion was made when Jem Bowker was the decision over Frankie Nell of San Francisco in a 20 round bout in London on October 17, 1904.

Abe Attoll knocked out Harry Forbes in five rounds at St. Louis and later won from Kid Herman, Young Ernie and Aurelio Herrera.

He is the legitimate featherweight champion today.

Britt did not win his championship this year although he clinched his right to the title by defeating Bating Nelson the other night at San Francisco. He is a 130-pound man and his championship is at that weight.

Joe Gans must still be considered the lightweight champion, having won on a foul from Britt at Frisco on Oct. 21.

Jack Power will be referee and with two preliminaries the affair should draw.

"Tug" With a Wad.

New York, Dec. 26.—"Tug" Wilson, the English, heavyweight who managed to stay four rounds with John L. Sullivan by dropping to the floor every time a punch was aimed at him during a battle in Madison's garden in 1892. It is in this country, and recently visited Sullivan's room in St. Louis. As John L. was away, Wilson was unable to thank the man who gave him the opportunity to

make enough to start in business. Today Wilson has a bank account and Sullivan has none.

SURGERY CURED

A BROKEN NECK.

Millionaire Who Smashed Two Vertebrae Is Well—Injured Himself in Diving.

Science, which wrought a miracle for him, and determination, which aided science, caused Walter B. Duryea, of New York, son of the late millionaire starch manufacturer, to spend the happiest Christmas of his life.

It has just been announced that the young man, for whose life surgeons battled incessantly after he had broken his neck, had entirely recovered, and therefore became a human monument to surgical skill and courage.

Despite the brilliancy of the operation performed on Duryea, it had always been believed that some affection would remain with him during life if he survived even a few years. It was thought his life would be without much pleasure. But his friends said yesterday that, although he must be deprived of the pleasures of the athlete, which he loved and which indirectly caused the breaking of two spinal vertebrae, the young man is in the full enjoyment of health, and the fortune left him by his father—for which fortune he was compelled to battle in the courts while it was being determined whether he would recover or not. He won not only the fortune but his old-time health.

Duryea's Strange Case.

The story of Duryea's progress is remarkable.

In 1899, while swimming with companions at the Casino Pier, Oyster Bay, he dived off and struck an obstruction a few feet beneath the surface of the water. He became unconscious, and was barely rescued from drowning. The physician who was called, realizing that Duryea's neck had been broken, and that complete paralysis would ensue if the best surgical aid were not obtained immediately, had the still unconscious patient hurried to the city.

The nature of Duryea's wound was this: Two of the spinal vertebrae—the little blocks of bone which compose the spine—had been shoved from their positions, and crunched against each other. The spinal cord was pressed by the dislocated vertebrae, interrupting communication from brain to body. Dr. Robert Abbe and Dr. George Greenough relieved the pressure on the cord and devastated the broken vertebrae. A plaster cast was placed around the patient's neck and upper body, and this was reinforced by a stout, tightly-drawn leather jacket.

Fight For His Fortune.

Duryea lay for weeks without moving, his head drawn taut by specially made devices. Surgeons and physicians all over the world read the daily story of his progress with

avidity, but doubted the eventual success of the daring operation. For two years the young man struggled along, a marvel to science. Then his father died, and left provision that if his son lived two years he should receive a million in cash. Promptly the young man's sisters contested this clause, and Duryea came from a sanitarium in Connecticut to the Hotel St. George, in Brooklyn, and from there conducted the legal battle which followed.

He won, and in 1900 received his fortune. A steam yacht was immediately purchased, and the return to the old sport seemed to invigorate the young man. He was wheeled about in a specially constructed chair, but for the past six months has shown decided improvement that the physicians knew the Roosevelt Hospital experiment had been crowned with success.

WHAT TOGO HAS DONE.

(New York World.) With the exception of a few minor ships intended for blockade service, Admiral Togo's fleet has withdrawn from Port Arthur. The Russian fleet having been destroyed, the Japanese ships are not to be prepared in attacks upon the fortifications. The task of reducing the defenses of Port Arthur will be left to the artillery and infantry forces.

Togo's fleet has earned a brief period of recuperation in dry-dock, preparatory to the work that will be set out for it when the Baltic fleet arrives. It has performed its admirably well. Whatever Japan has accomplished in Manchuria has been due to the superiority of her sea power.

Her navy enabled her to land and equip fully 400,000 men and to maintain them at a long distance from their base of supplies. It enabled Nogi to invest Port Arthur and made it possible for Oyama, to block Kuroopskian's plans for the relief of the besieged garrison.

There has been no great naval battle, but the war has shown what an efficient fleet can do when it is intelligently handled and directed toward the highest strategic purposes.

Togo made the campaign in Manchuria possible.

Is Your Breath Bad?

Bad breath is one of the early symptoms of catarrh which should be checked at once and not allowed to run into consumption. The surest cure is fragrant healing Catarrhose which cures catarrh by removing its cause. No case is too chronic, even the most stubborn yield in a short time to the balsamic vapor of Catarrhose. It makes cures that last, for once cured by Catarrhose you stay cured. Catarrhose is pleasant, convenient and safe to use, relieves almost instantly and is guaranteed to cure every type of catarrh, bronchitis and asthma. Use only Catarrhose, complete outfit \$1.00; sample size 50c.

SUGGESTIONS BY READERS FOR INTERESTING FEATURES OF THE TIMES WILL BE WELCOMED AND GIVEN FULL CONSIDERATION.

HELPFUL MEDICAL HINTS.

Importance of Keeping Your Blood Purified.

Does your head feel heavy and ache? Your throat dry, nose stopped up and hot, no appetite, little chilly feelings creep along the spine, hands hot, feet cold, tongue furred, eyes burning, you feel sick all over? Better take this way before you are bitten. Nip it in the bud; do the right thing first. Promphens will work wonders. Start with Smith's Phenolphthalein and Bismuth Pills, take two to four at bed time. You won't need any more, they will cure you in a night. Don't wait till you get down on your back, then it will take longer, but even then, these pills will cure in a short time. They promptly remove the congestion of the circulation and drive out the bilious accumulations, restoring harmonious action to the digestive organs, stomach, liver and bowels. Just one day's use of Smith's Phenolphthalein and Bismuth Pills will ward off and cure any bilious attack, warm up your spinal nerves, restore the appetite and free the blood of any impurities. They are good for young or old, never gripe or cause unpleasant effects. Get a bottle of your dealer today and take them home with you and use them when you experience any symptoms whatever of a bilious condition. They save you from sickness. Smith's Phenolphthalein and Bismuth Pills cure constipation, biliousness, headache in one night. All dealers, 25 cents. All genuine signed W. F. Smith.

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