

THE PEOPLE'S PASTIMES.

WHAT IS GOING ON IN SPORTING CIRCLES THE WORLD OVER.

Annual Meeting of the Bayville Rowing Club—The Body Check in Lacrosse—Baseball Boom—The Leaders of Baseball.

Plunger Walton expects to purchase a cattle ranch in Southern Virginia for his sons.

James R. Keene offers to sell all his brood mares in one lot, but will not sell them at auction.

George W. Lee says he was beaten by Peterson because he was stale. He will row the Californian again.

One hundred and twenty thoroughbreds are in training at Louisville, Kentucky. About a hundred more than in all Canada.

Waller Ross has arrived in New York from England. He is looking well and speaks enthusiastically of his treatment in England.

Teemer, the oarsman, will make Pittsburg his headquarters for the coming season. He has not yet arranged a race with Conley.

Luke Blackburn had a fine colt foal dropped to him out of Longford, the 1881 Kentucky Oaks actress, by Longfellow out of Fannie Malone.

Wayper, of Guelph, has accepted J. C. Blackburn's terms for a return pigeon-shooting match, and will be ready to shoot any time after April 13.

An enthusiastic New York sport won a bet by holding a four-pound cake of ice in his hand for three hours. When the time expired the chunk was a very small icicle.

Matt Malone wishes to match George Pullman, the light weight, to fight Jack Dempsey for from \$1000 to \$3000 a side, at catch weights with kid gloves, to finish, according to London prize ring rules.

Two grocery clerks at McKeesport, Pa., recently undertook to knock out John Teemer and a friend. The smaller knocked the man pitted against him down twelve times in quick order and the clerks retired.

Maud S. is said to be in prime condition, and several good judges who have seen her are predicting that she will lower the record this season. She says: "I think she should go to the half in 1:02, and come home in 1:04."

The Wellington lacrosse club has organized for the season. The officers are:—R. D. Abel, president; J. M. Lawson, vice-president; T. S. Wells, secretary; J. Brady, treasurer; H. W. Stewart, C. Priestman, executive committee.

The coming athletic convention promises to be a large and thoroughly representative affair. Most of the Hamilton clubs will send delegates, and it is to be held from the Hamilton fens club, who will send J. J. Stuart, A. D. Stewart and W. O. Tilwell.

A San Francisco sporting paper says that Sullivan does not fighting, and that his principal occupation for some years has been banking \$1000 a week. For knocking down Robinson 40 times with a pillow he got \$10,000; Robinson falling under the pillow got \$5000. One is called the champion fighter of the country, the other a good man.

William Gimber and John Wetzel ran a hundred yard race at Pittsburg. At the finish they treated the tape line together and both fell flat on their faces, utterly exhausted. The race was a dead heat.

A baseball club has been formed in Syracuse with the following officers: Hon. president, Mr. John Williams; vice-president, Mr. James U. S. C.; president, Mr. T. A. Stephen; 2nd vice-president, Mr. A. D. Ellis; 2nd vice-president, Mr. G. R. Knowles; treasurer, Rev. Mr. Grant. Committee, Messrs Lawson, VanAmburg, Curtis, Wallace and Boyd.

A prominent sporting gentleman of New York stands ready to give a \$500 gold cup round to Mitchell and Edwards to spar four rounds. Billy Madson, who is Mitchell's manager, is in no hurry to have his man face Edwards. He wants to wait until June, as the Madison square garden cannot be rented before that time for a month to meet, Edwards will train for a month for the affair, and there will be a swell audience.

The New York correspondent of the Cincinnati Enquirer says: "I think the biggest scheme out would be to teach Matsumoto, the Japanese wrestler, how to fight 'Melican' or Marquis of Queensberry fashion. He is the quickest mortal and the strongest man of his height I ever saw, and if he only knew how to use his 'dukes' in fighting, as well as he does in wrestling he would make many of the would-be champions stand down the hall when he came in. He's a hummer. I don't know what they call Hammeville in Japanese, but he's from it, dollars to cents."

The wrestler Matsuda, present champion of Japan and future champion of America, left New York, accompanied by Richard K. Fox, his backer, William E. Harding and two hundred sporting men, for Cleveland. The party occupied a special train, and other trains were ordered to clear the track for it. Matsuda wore his most costly silken robes and walked into the depot with six little boys holding up his train. Two New York Japanese sporting men accompanied him, besides his Japanese private secretary and his Korean valet. He will wrestle Duncan C. Ross to-night at Army hall, Cleveland, for a purse of \$1000. Two rounds will be catch-as-catch-can, and the choice of the final round will be tossed for.

The Lander rowing club of Hamilton has 128 members, 41 of whom joined during the past year. At the club's annual meeting on Saturday the officers elected were: R. A. Lewis, president; J. H. Macpherson, 1st vice-president (re-elected); Harold Lamer, 2nd vice-president (re-elected); Henry M. Lewis, 3rd vice-president (re-elected); E. J. Jarvis, secretary (re-elected); P. M. Banker, treasurer (re-elected); R. Wilson, treasurer; committee: J. J. Stewart, Campbell Forrie, Geo. A. Macdonald, H. E. G. and J. S. Scott; J. H. Macpherson, 1st vice-president; J. H. Lamb, A. H. Macdonald and J. J. Jarvis. The club's new clubhouse is about completed.

Speaking of the crooked practices of jockeys in England a writer says: "I often hear some of these jockeys talking about a race. One of them will say: 'Well, I fancy I can win this. My horse was tired with sound and at such weights, and you know how.' Yes, that's better than most a second year. This sort of talk is very common of late. I expect 'Ah but I'm not good enough to beat mine' a third jockey would say. 'Mine is as good as the one you speak of, but I'm not good enough to win.' The first speaker says, and

then they make up a commission and send out to back the one they think best. I don't mean to say that they don't, will risk to win at the finish, but I notice that the one they've backed generally seems to get away with a pretty good start."

Answers to Correspondents. ENQUIRER.—J. S. Thompson, 237 Spadina Avenue. ATHLETE, city.—(1) Yes. L. E. Myers holds the amateur championship of Canada at an eighth and a quarter of a mile. (2) Harold Lamb won the half mile and mile race at New York in 1876.

A Baseball Boom. The next meeting of the re-organized Tecumseh baseball club will be held in the Temperance hall on Thursday evening at 7:30 sharp. It is highly desirable that every one taking an interest in this sport should be present. The Tecumseh club comprise among their numbers such well-known ball-players as Delaney, Mead, Brew, Jones, Reid, Scott, Hinchey, and others of recognized ability. The management intend organizing a first-class team, of which the citizens of Toronto can feel justly proud. The organizing of the Canadian baseball association will work a new era in sporting circles, and as the Tecumseh will no doubt be the representative team of the city of Toronto it is necessary that they be well supported.

The Final Retirement of Leonatus. LOUISVILLE, April 2.—Leonatus has broken down again. While being worked last year at Long Branch, getting ready for the Big Omnibus stakes, Leonatus ran away with his jockey, a green negro boy, and in his flight cut his right fore leg so badly that he was practically unfit for any of the events in which he had been entered and had to be withdrawn. By careful management it was thought he would recover from his injury and be able to take part in the spring races of the Louisville jockey club. His trainer, James McEnty, has been working him steadily at the Jockey club track for the past two weeks, and a few days ago he was sent around the track in 1:50. He showed up all right, and it was thought that the fleet son of Longfellow and Semper Felix had entirely recovered from his former breakdown, and that he would have all his own way in this spring's big events, but yesterday morning, after being given his work, he showed up lame, and a close examination showed that the leg injured last year was swollen and filled with a yellow men call it, and that it was full of fever. His racing days are over, and he will be sent to the stud.

The Body Check in Lacrosse. From the Montreal Star. The proposed changes in the game of lacrosse are also causing considerable attention in England at present, and Mr. Edwin T. Sachs, hon. sec. south of England lacrosse club, has written a letter to the Star in which he takes exception to the opinions expressed by the leading players in this country. It will be remembered that some time ago Messrs. D. E. Bowie, H. W. Beckett and M. J. Polan were interviewed, and their remarks were published in the Star. Mr. Sachs states that the utterances of the gentlemen are convincing that he has been very imperfectly informed of the new rule governing "body checking" in use in England. He states that the old country players are quite aware that the "body-check" is the only check that can effectively stop a dodger, but that they are directly opposed to its adoption by the body, and then propelling the shoulder, with all possible violence, into the stomach or ribs of the dodger. It is undoubtedly an effective method for knocking opponents out of time, but we are of opinion that this is a very unfair feature in the game and unfair. He suggests the following rule:—

Sec. 1.—No player, with his cross or otherwise, shall hold or trip another, nor push with the legs, nor use any player deliberately or about a 7th opponent, nor waste time with the legs, nor use any player deliberately or about a 7th opponent. This does not prevent an opponent with the shoulder in ground-struck play, provided the same be strictly defined as a foul, and the pushing opponent with the shoulder in ground-struck play.

The following is his definition of the body-check—Body-check is the placing one's body in the way of an approaching opponent, so that the latter is simply impeded. No checker shall use force in the body-check.

Mr. Sachs also says that he has not seen a draft of the proposed amendment for England is precisely what Mr. Bowie and Canada, but claims that what has been done in others think should go into operation in Canada. He also considers the remarks of Mr. Polan ill-timed and concludes as follows:—Mr. Polan says, as Mr. Polan says, that English and Irish lacrosse are suffering from an "incompetency in strength," but he should remember that our amateurs have not the medicinal advantage enjoyed by his club of being for the most part engaged in muscle-producing mechanical labor. Mr. Polan repudiates with scorn the notion that Canadian lacrosse players can learn anything from us, yet we find that the Montreal lacrosse club is at this very moment advocating the adoption of our plan of playing for a stated time, instead of for the best of a rubber of five games."

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