SPORTS AND SPORTSMEN.

PROGRAMME OF SPORTS TO-DAY.

RACING.—Queens County Jockey Club, Aqueduct, 2:30 p. m.

BASEBALL.—Brown against Phillips Andover Academy, Andover, Mass.

CYCLING.

RIDERS OF THE WHEEL OUT IN LARGE NUMBERS.

TOURING PARTIES MAKING ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SEASON—BANKER SAYS THE OUT-LAWS CANNOT SUCCEED.

There are probably some people, pessimistic in their tendencies, who thought recently that there was less interest in cycling than a year ago. If they have been on any of the popular boulevards and wheelways the last week they have changed their opinion. The throng out Saturday and yesterday in this borough and in Brooklyn was one of the largest ever seen, and especially for this time of the year. In Brooklyn the police said they had never before seen such crowds about the rendezvous in Prospect Park as in the last two days. Many touring parties are being arranged by club members, and some of the trips into the country will last for two or three weeks. The first tourists from this country to invade Europe this season left on the steamship Spaarndam, of the Holland-America Line, yesterday. The vessel was to sail on Saturday morning, but an accident to her machinery caused the start to be delayed until yesterday. The tourists, fifteen in number, are all members of the League of American Wheelmen, and they go abroad as a League of American Wheelmen party. They will sail from Europe on their return on June 2. The tourists will be in charge of F. A. Elwell, of Portland, Me. The total expense of each tourist will be $205.

In speaking of the outlaw movement in this country George A. Banker, who is now riding abroad, says in "The Cycling Gazette": "It looks to me as though this war of the outlaws against the League of American Wheelmen would be somewhat similar to the Spanish-American War, and in a few months will end in the former's defeat, and unless I am a poor judge, when the season once opens and the principal clubs begin to hang up their large purses, there will be some one jump over the fence after it, and, like sheep, there will be a stampede, and plenty will follow. This is what happened here a few years ago in the fight between the U. V. F. and the Union Cyclists Français."

A letter from Henry Sturmey, secretary of the International Cyclists' Association, conveys the information that Edward Taylor has paid the fine of $300 imposed upon him by the League for outlawry. "I have the honor to inform you," writes Mr. Sturmey, "that I have to-day received from Edward Taylor the sum of £40, representing the amount of the fine imposed upon him by the League of American Wheelmen. He asks me to hold this until he has received a reply to a letter which he has addressed to the League of American Wheelmen upon the subject, which I presume is an appeal for reduction in the amount of the fine. However, I have this money in hand, and have informed the U. V. F. that, this being so, Taylor is now eligible for a license."

In many of the States the wheelmen and the regular Good Roads Association are advocating highway commissions. New-York State has such a bill pending at the present time, as have Ohio, Illinois, Wisconsin, Colorado and half a dozen others. New-Jersey, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut and Vermont have such commissions, and it was through the efforts of the allied wheelmen that such commissions were appointed.

A Western man is the inventor of a stirrup pedal. It is made in a simple form by attaching to the pedal body a metal band having the forward opening contracted to prevent the foot from pushing through and to do away with a toe clip.

Nemesis is falling upon the council of the French Cyclists' Touring Club for its action in excluding M. Zola. As soon as this act was announced many of the club's members resigned, and now it is announced that no less than a thousand of M. Zola's sympathizers in the club have also resigned, and resignations are coming in by scores, almost by every mail.

Records for 500 and 1,000 metres will be established this year by the International Cyclists' Association. At present all the distances are reckoned in English miles, except the kilometre.

In Paris recently, at the meeting of the International Cyclists' Association, it was decided that English and French should be adopted as the official languages for communications.

The century run of the Pierce Wheelmen was attended by about ninety riders yesterday. There were several women among the starters. Miss Nellie Benson setting the pace. Miss Millie Guilbert was also one of the party.

The joint run of the Greater New-York Wheelmen and the Royal Arcanum Wheelmen was well attended yesterday. Their journey was from the clubhouses to Oakwood, Staten Island. In all they rode about forty miles. There were many women in the party. Those who rode on tandems were E. Stetson and Miss Irwin, C. Heuer and Miss Ella Christenson, and W. Stewart and Mrs. Kelton. Some of those on single wheels were Mr. and Mrs. A. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. H. Law, Mr. and Mrs. W. Doerick, Mr. and Mrs. S. Low, Mr. and Mrs. Charles James and many others.

The fine weather yesterday was enjoyed by the wheelmen greatly, as they had been disappointed in the weather a week ago. The Merrick and Jamaica roads were in good condition and were crowded with riders all day. The winds that blew over the cycle paths did not bother the riders in the least, for the usual Sunday crowd was out.

The following clubs held their regular weekly runs: The Mutual Wheelmen, to Bayside; Amphion Wheelmen, to Rockville Centre; Crescent Wheelmen, to Paterson; Royal Arcanum Wheelmen, of New-York, to Albany; Sprocket Cyclists, to Bath Beach; St. George Wheelmen, to Bergen Point; random run of the Vigilant Cycle Club; St. Patrick's Lyceum Wheelmen, to Valley Stream; Squash Wheelmen, to Coney Island; Pierce Wheelmen, to East Islip; Sports Wheelmen, to Valley Stream; Manhattan Bicycle Club, to City Island; Keystone Wheelmen, to Coney Island; Pushmatha Wheelmen, to Rockaway Beach; Logan Wheelmen, to Plainfield; Castle Point Cyclers, to West Orange; Arion Bicycle Club, to Rockaway Beach; Bushwick Wheelmen, through Prospect Park; Evergreen Wheelmen, to College Point; Foresters Wheelmen, to Little Coney Isle; Harlem Wheelmen, to Dyker Meadows; Lavigiro Wheelmen, to Bergen Point; Kings County Wheelmen, to Coney Island; Century Wheelmen, to Hempstead, and Garnet Wheelmen, to Valley Stream.

LINTON WINS IN PARIS.

Paris, April 23.—In the 50-kilometre bicycle race here to-day "Tom" Linton, the Englishman, won in 55 minutes 30 3-5 seconds. Edouard Taylore was second and A. E. Walters third.

MODEL YACHTSMEN OPEN THEIR SEASON.

Headed by Commodore Edward E. Flynt, the members of the Wave Crest Miniature Yacht Club successfully opened their sixth season yesterday at the boathouse, Fifty-Eighth-st., South Brooklyn. Promptly at 10 o'clock in the morning the club flags were sent aloft for the season, Old Glory being broken out as the brass cannon sounded its welcome. The club was thereupon declared in commission and the following officers were installed: Commodore, Edward E. Flynt; vice-commodore, O. L. Gray; treasurer, John C. Callahan; secretary, F. Waldo Neilson; fleet captain, William H. Thompson; official recorder, Edwin B. Hopkinson; statistician, John C. Manton, and Board of Trustees, Edward E. Flynt, William H. Burningham and George E. Martin.

The New-York Model Yacht Club also went into commission yesterday from a little after 9 o'clock, when the club's gun saluted the colors. All day the home of the organization, at One-hundred-and-fifty-fourth-st. and the Hudson River, was a scene of great enthusiasm. The following officers were installed for the term: Commodore, F. J. Sweeney; vice-commodore, Edward G. Weber; treasurer, John H. Wolf; secretary, W. H. A. Dixie, and Regatta Committee, Messrs. Ogle, Weber and Dixie. The newly chosen commodore stated that the club would take part in all local model yachting races throughout the season and compete for the Eagle Trophy, the American Model Cup, now held by the American Model Yacht Club, and the Outing Trophy, which is held by the Wave Crest Miniature Yacht Club. The organization will give a spring and fall regatta and will hold a series of fortnightly races for special cups throughout the season.

CORNELL'S FOOTBALL SCHEDULE.

Ithaca, N. Y., April 23.—F. S. Porter, Cornell's football manager, gave out the schedule of the games to-day. A total of eleven games will be played, and all but three of these are to take place in Ithaca. The most important new contest is that with the University of Chicago. Columbia will also be met for the first time, the contest to be played in New-York. Harvard is not included, as no satisfactory arrangement between the two teams could be made. The Indians' team is another that will not be seen on Percy Field, the Princeton game taking the place of that contest. The Williams game has been transferred from Buffalo to Ithaca at the request of Cornell. The schedule follows:

September 23, Colgate University at Ithaca; September 27, Syracuse, at Ithaca; September 30, Hamilton, at Ithaca; October 7, Williams, at Ithaca; October 14, University of Chicago, at Chicago; October 21, Lehigh, at Ithaca; October 28, Princeton, at Ithaca; November 7, Columbia, at New-York; November 11, Lafayette, at Ithaca; November 18, Oberlin, at Ithaca; November 30 (Thanksgiving Day), University of Pennsylvania, at Philadelphia.

YACHTING.

NOTES OF INTEREST REGARDING THE CRAFT AND THOSE WHO SAIL THEM.

The steam yacht Erin, lately purchased by Sir Thomas Lipton, has left her anchorage at Cowes and gone across to Southampton, where she will enter drydock to be cleaned of the marine growths that collected on her bottom while she was lying at anchor in the Mediterranean.

Captain Sycamore, who was second in command with Captain Cranfield on board the Valkyrie III when she was here, has been engaged by Charles Day Rose to command the 90-foot cutter which he is having produced by her designer, G. L. Watson, and the Hendersons, of Partick.

F. H. Waldorf, of New-York, has bought the sloop centreboard yacht Pelican from Bruce Clark. The boat is now being prepared at Manning's Basin.

The 52-foot cutter Awa has been sold by William R. Beal to Walter A. Peck, of Providence, R. I. The Awa is 40 feet on the water-line, with 15 feet of beam and 6 feet draught.

Commodore Frederick T. Adams, Vice-Commodore Benjamin M. Whitlock and several members of the Atlantic Yacht Club have been admitted to membership in the Manhasset Bay Yacht Club. This institution was up to a few days ago called the Douglaston Yacht Club, but as the site of the clubhouse was changed to Port Washington, Manhasset Bay, the name of the club was altered.

Thomas Fleming Day and Charles G. Davis arrived safely at Savannah with the 36-footer Dragoon, which was lately sold by Frank M. Freeman, of the Larchmont Yacht Club, to a syndicate in the Savannah Yacht Club, for the purpose of representing that club in the interstate championship races to be sailed on June 1. The Katrinka, the present holder of the cup, belongs to the Charleston Yacht Club. The Dragoon left New-York on April 10 and passed South through the canals, making her 700-mile sail without mishap. Her best time was in the fifty-mile run before coming to Norfolk, which she accomplished in six hours. Julian Schley, a nephew of Rear-Admiral Schley, is one of the present owners of the Dragoon.

The Columbia Yacht Club will be formally opened for the season on May 13, and there will be a planked-shad dinner on that evening for members and guests. The following members have been appointed trustees: H. S. Boisnot, Dr. H. A. Parr, G. R. Crossley, Charles R. Flint, William Cook and T. J. Fredericks. Vice-Commodore Ellis and T. S. Coale have been appointed a Building Committee to take charge of a fund to be raised for the purpose of building a new clubhouse.

The Corinthian Yacht Club of Yale will formally open on May 1, and there are bright prospects for a successful season. The officers are: Commodore, John T. Archibald; vice-commodore, E. A. McCulloch; rear-commodore, F. C. Havemeyer, and secretary and treasurer, T. E. Franklin.

At the Erie Basin drydocks the steam yacht Niagara is expected in to-morrow for the purpose of cleaning and painting. After she returns to Weehawken further stores will be taken aboard, and the boat will leave New-York on the first day of May for the Norway cruise, which will also include calls at many ports of the British Isles and possibly a run to Iceland.

BASEBALL.

CHICAGO LOSES TO CINCINNATI AFTER AN EXCITING CONTEST.

THE RECORDS.

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	Pc.	Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	Pc.
St. Louis	5	0	1.000	Cincinnati	4	4	.500
Philadelphia	6	2	.750	Brooklyn	3	4	.429
Boston	5	2	.714	New-York	3	4	.429
Chicago	6	3	.667	Pittsburg	1	5	.167
Baltimore	5	3	.571	Cleveland	1	5	.167
Louisville	4	4	.500	Washington	1	7	.125

Cincinnati, April 23.—The Orphans played like wooden men for the first two innings, and the Reds gained a lead of 8 runs. Philips ran into Demont at first base in the eighth and was knocked out. Taylor took his place. The finish was exciting, Chicago having three men on the bags with one out. The score follows:

										R.	H.	E.
Cincinnati	5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	7	1
Chicago	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	2	1	6	7	6

Batteries—Taylor, Philips and Peitz; Taylor and Chance.

WEST NEW-YORK CLUB VICTORIOUS.

At Weehawken yesterday the West New-York Field Club defeated the Acme Colored Club by a score of 16 to 4. Foster was in good form, and only let the Acme team make eight hits. Foster and Brush hit the ball hard, each making three hits for the West New-York team, while McCay led the Acmes with three hits. There was a large crowd present to witness the game. The score:

WEST N. Y.	r	1b	pa	a	e	ACMES.	r	1b	po	a	e
Moorehead, 2b.	2	0	2	0	0	Booker, 2b.	0	0	4	1	4
Basford, rf.	1	2	1	0	0	Brown, c.	1	1	4	1	0
Dietrich, cf.	2	2	0	1	0	Demont, 1b.	0	1	9	1	0
Pastor, lf.	3	2	0	0	0	Watkins, 3b.	1	0	2	2	0
Brush, 1b.	3	3	9	0	1	McCay, ss.	1	3	1	3	0
Rice, ss.	2	0	1	1	0	Beale, lf.	0	1	1	0	0
Hatfield, 3b.	0	1	1	5	1	Bell, rf.	1	1	3	0	0
O'Neill, c.	2	1	12	3	1	Bolin, cf.	0	1	2	0	0
Foster, p.	3	3	1	2	0	Miller, p.	0	0	1	4	2
Totals	18	14	27	12	3	Totals	4	8	27	12	6

West New-York	3	8	0	2	0	0	1	4	0	—16
Acmes	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	—4

Umpire—Knowles.

RAIN AT ST. LOUIS.

St. Louis, April 23.—Two ball games scheduled for to-day were not played on account of rain.

GRISHAM SIGNS WITH MILWAUKEE.

Milwaukee, April 23.—Manager Mack, of the Milwaukee Baseball Club, has signed Catcher Grisham of Brooklyn.

CROSS-COUNTRY RUNS.

THE STAR, PASTIME, NATIONAL AND SEA VIEW HARRIERS FOLLOW THE TRAIL.

Four cross-country runs were held by the local harriers yesterday, and goodly numbers of both spectators and athletes marked the last but one of the Sunday spins of this season.

The fun began at 10 o'clock in Brooklyn, where the invitation cross-country run of the National Athletic Club was held, starting from the Evergreen Hotel, at Ridgewood. Many athletes took part in the run, men wearing the emblems of the Star and Pastime Athletic clubs, Sea View Harriers and Evergreen, National and Mercury Athletic clubs being seen on the trail. The course, which was laid out by Harry L. Rope and Rutherford Willis, was most trying, as the spring ploughing had made some of the fields hard work for even the strongest runners in the pack, but the pace was fast and well maintained all the way. Among the well-known athletes who ran were Captain William D. Wynne, Peter Wend, Anthony L. McKeever, "Al" Stover, James L. Krueger, August J. Grill, James D. McCutcheon, John Wills, Charles Wills, Norman Wilson, Frank Reuss, Andrew J. West, Oscar Hauck, Dr. Charles J. Pflug, Arthur H. Jaggers and others.

The course led up the Glendale Road to the farmlands and thence diagonally across the country to Maspeth; thence to Newtown, to East Williamsburg, making a detour near the Fresh Pond Crematory to the Metropolitan Park and around Reservoir Heights to Ridgewood Terrace, and back down the Glendale Road home. William D. Wynne, National A. C., was first home, a few yards in front of Anthony L. McKeever, National A. C., who had Andrew West at his shoulder; Arthur H. Jaggers, the heavyweight, came next, and the rest of the pack were fairly well bunched, the National athletes carrying off the honors owing to their knowledge of the course. Time (for the eight miles)—47:58⅘.

"Little" Pfortner led the pack of the Pastime Athletic Club in their last run before the closing interteam match with the Star Athletic Club of Long Island City next Sunday, over an eight-mile course of the Jerome Handicap trail yesterday. The going was heavy and a stiff pace was maintained all the way. Pfortner stayed off all rushes and won out in the run in, with Healey second and Ryan third. Time—51:11⅕.

The final run of the Star Athletic Club of Long Island prior to their match with the Pastime Athletic Club team was decided yesterday, the start being from the grounds of the organization, Fourteenth-st. and Vernon-ave. The course led from the grounds straight out across country to Woodside Heights; thence to the farmlands to Corona, through Louona Park to Laurel Hill and back by way of Blissville to Long Island City. R. W. Kennedy and Garrett J. Fitzgerald had it hot and heavy all the way, Kennedy, the "mud horse," winning by a scanty yard, with Fitzgerald second, Grant third, J. J. Cronin fourth, J. McManus fifth and Lawrence sixth. Time—50 minutes flat.

An old-time cross-country run was held by the Sea View Harriers from their clubhouse, Sixtieth-st. and Fourth-ave., South Brooklyn, yesterday. The trail was a little over seven and a half miles, and led from the clubhouse down Fourth-ave. to the city line Boulevard; thence directly across the country to the gas works, to New-Utrecht and crossing the Dyker Meadow Golf Club links, where the red-coated players stopped long enough to applaud the Harriers, to and around the officers' quarters at Fort Hamilton and back to the Shore Driveway, coming out at Ninety-second-st., and then a spirited finish that sent the boys on a spurt for home. Coming over the hill, H. G. Lawton was in the lead, closely pressed by P. Grant, and a few yards from home the latter dashed away and won a good run, with Lawton right behind him and Samuel Park, Bedford A. C., third, the first two runners being Sea View Harriers. The time was fast, being 46:23⅘.

RACING.

TALK ABOUT TURFMEN AND TURF AFFAIRS.

Trainers were busy yesterday. The weather was all that could be desired, so that fast gallops were the rule at all the tracks. Backward weather is sometimes a blessing in disguise; consequently the chilly atmosphere that has prevailed for the last six weeks prevented the trainers from stripping their horses of the flesh accumulated during the winter.

There is not much talk about the handicaps, as the racing public in America does not take as much interest in future contests as it does in the cheap overnight purses raced for at the smaller tracks. Moreover, there is little speculation on future racing in this country, as the ordinary layer of odds is such a suspiciously wise sort of person that he has small faith in the average owner, trainer or jockey, and none at all in the racing officials. Thus he waits until the day of the race, when he can have a decided advantage by laying short odds against favorite and outsider alike.

Aqueduct is the place where water is as plentiful as in certain industrial companies. There have been six days' racing at Aqueduct, before large crowds. The sport has been eminently satisfactory to the owners of the track and to the bookmakers. Owners, however, are not satisfied, as the purses are so small that there is little left to meet expenses unless the owner bets on his horses. Racing for sport at Aqueduct—or on any track where the prize to the winner is less than $500 net—is little better than a farce. It is highly exhilarating for a wealthy owner to enter his $10,000 horses for cheap purses and cheaper stakes. In small purses the trainer's percentage is so infinitesimal that owners suffer, because the trainers screw their horses up to the danger line for the purpose of betting on them. The result is that lame and crippled horses frequently cause owners to abandon racing as an expensive pastime, driving them to golf and other games, for which they train themselves, and in which they have the blessed privilege of swearing as much as they like at their caddies. No man dare swear at a trainer. The only man who tried it in recent years was Senator "Tim" Sullivan, who is devoutly thankful that he escaped alive, and did not make the unpardonable blunder of saying "cuss" words to his jockey.

What a harvest cheap racing is to the jockeys! Certain plungers have been in the habit of presenting the purse to the jockey when their horses win a race. When asked why they do such things, to the detriment of sport and owners who do not bet, the reply is: "Why, you have got to do it to get a ride, and when you have a big bet down its cheaper in the end." How the owners bow down to impudent little upstarts who are graduates of the riding schools presided over by W. C. Daly and men of his stamp! These precious carnations of the turf swagger around the track, talk to all sorts of persons and do as they please without let or hindrance by the racing authorities. In the West and in California the jockeys are kept under lock and key from the time the saddling bell is rung for the first race until the last race is ended. Cheap racing calls for such radical measures, as the agents of poolrooms are plentiful, and there are men at the track every day who have the reputation of "plugging dead ones" whenever the opportunity presents itself.

The Jockey Club has had some bitter trials and tribulations whenever the rules have been changed. The members might add a new rule, that all purses raced for on a track licensed by the Jockey Club shall be worth at least $500 each net to the winner. It is generally conceded by racegoers and turfmen that two of the employes of the Jockey Club racetracks are abundantly equipped and qualified to fill their places in a satisfactory manner. They are H. G. Crickmore and W. H. Barretto, the official trainer. In regard to the starting, the problem has not been solved, and expert racing men contend that it never will be until the barrier is dispensed with. The starting at Aqueduct in the week was good, bad and indifferent. The same language might be safely applied to the riding.

An unusually large number of racing men visited the local tracks yesterday. There was not much comfort for the visitors, for the tracks were dry and the dust was intolerable. Matthew Allen, A. J. Joyner and Thomas Haley worked their horses early in the forenoon. William Karrick, who is a painstaking, industrious trainer, who gives his personal attention to the minor details of his stable, galloped some promising two-year-olds which attracted much attention. Superintendent Gorman has the track in good condition, and expects to have it as fast and safe as any track in the country on the opening day of the meeting.

At Sheepshead Bay the workmen are putting on the finishing touches to the fences. A new stable has been erected for August Belmont. The grounds and buildings are being improved, so that the Coney Island Jockey Club leads, as usual, as the foremost racing club in America.

John H. Bradford is in the city. His sojourn at Thomasville, Ga., benefited him greatly, and he is in superb condition for the racing campaign.

Richard Croker expects to sail for England on Wednesday. His colt Knickerbocker is entered in the Epsom Derby. James T. Sloan is not having a picnic in England this year. He complained bitterly of the manner in which his mount, Knight of the Thistle, was bumped and jostled by Kilcock (ridden by Watts) in the Lincolnshire Handicap. Evidently Sloan believes that the English jockeys have combined to defeat him whenever possible.

Morgan, the half-breed Indian, who rode so successfully at Aqueduct last week, was born in Montana. His father is a Scotchman, who holds an important place in the Hudson Bay Company. His mother is the daughter of an Assiniboin chief. Morgan's father fell in love with her and married her. Morgan possesses the tenacity of a Scotchman, the stoicism of an Indian. Marcus Daly places implicit confidence in him, and believes that he will make a first-class jockey.

AQUEDUCT ENTRIES TO-DAY.

The entries and weights for to-day's races at Aqueduct are as follows:

FIRST RACE—For three-year-olds and upward; selling. Five furlongs.

Name.	Wt.	Name.	Wt.
Judge Wardell	108	Sir Christopher	96
Athy	107	Tut Tut	91
Rey Balazar	105	Passe Partout	90
Brentwood	105	Mail Bag	90
Red Spider	105	Rusella Walden	88
General Maceo	102	Village Pride	88

SECOND RACE—For maiden two-year-olds. Four and one-half furlongs.

Neponset	112	Olcott	112
Plucky	112	Shamokin	112
Maharajah	112	Fillet	109
Lamp Globe	112	Lady Ruth	109
Irish Free	112	Star Chime	105

THIRD RACE—Handicap; for three-year-olds and upward. One mile and seventy yards.

Warrenton	124	Danforth	100
Lanky Bob	117	Diminutive	100
Al Fresco	114	Double Dummy	99
Egbert	104	Whip	95
Free Lance	104		

FOURTH RACE—THE CANARSIE STAKES. For two-year-olds. Four and a half furlongs.

Advance Guard	112	Pupil	112
Christmas Carol	112	Montanic	109
Medrine	112		

FIFTH RACE—For three-year-olds and upward; selling. About seven furlongs.

Rotterdam	113	Tabouret	106
Nabob	111	Vermouth	98
Swamp Angel	108	Lady Exile	98
Kirkwood	106	Domineer	96

SIXTH RACE—For three-year-olds which have not won $400; selling. Six furlongs.

Prince of Wales	106	Domineer	96
Marylander	106	Lady Exile	93
King's Pride	101	Sly Boy	93
Robert	96	Sister Fox	91
James Tod	96	Tyrba	91
Spurs	96	Village Pride	91

AMATEUR ATHLETICS.

OUTDOOR GAMES TO BE HELD AT BERKELEY OVAL BY THE ARGYLE ASSOCIATION.

The Argyle Athletic Association, composed of an undergraduate body of Columbia University, is making extensive preparations for its fourth annual outdoor athletic meeting, to be held at Berkeley Oval, Morris Heights, on Saturday, May 13, at 2 p. m. The programme will comprise twelve contests, as follows: Hundred-yard dash, collegiate; 440-yard dash, handicap, collegiate and scholastic; one-mile run, handicap, collegiate and scholastic; running high jump, handicap, collegiate and scholastic; 100-yard dash, scholastic; 440-yard dash, scholastic; pole vault, handicap, collegiate and scholastic; one-mile bicycle race, scholastic; 120-yard hurdle race, handicap, collegiate and scholastic; 880-yard run, handicap, collegiate and scholastic; 16-pound shot, handicap, collegiate and scholastic.

In addition, there will be a dual meet between Columbia and Cornell in a half-mile bicycle race and a one-mile bicycle pursuit race. The entire track teams of Princeton, Columbia and the University of Pennsylvania will compete in the track and field contests. The prizes are elaborate. The games last spring were well patronized, and the meeting was in every way a success. This year is hoped to duplicate last year's record. Entries have already been received from Creegan, Rush, Long, Mosenthal, Steve and many others.

SPANISH CANNON GOING TO CINCINNATI.

Newport News, Va., April 23 (Special).—The large rifled cannon taken from the Spanish cruiser Almirante Oquendo and presented to the city of Cincinnati by the Government was loaded upon a flatcar at the Newport News Navy Yard last night, and started West this morning at 2 o'clock. The gun had been on exhibition at the Navy Yard for several months.

TO FIGHT SAGE'S REMOVAL.

The Prison Association, by W. M. F. Round, has sent notice to Superintendent of Prisons C. V. Collins that it means to fight in the courts the removal of Omar V. Sage, Warden of Sing Sing Prison. A member of the association has for some time made semi-weekly visits to the prison, and speaks in the highest praise of the excellence of Warden Sage's management. It is contended that his removal was in direct defiance of the law.

MR. CROKER AGAIN TO-DAY

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Grand Jury called for New-York, and he replied that there had not.

It is possible, also, that the Mazet Committee may investigate the management of the District-Attorney's office if it needs it. The committee has the authority to investigate any department it pleases.

EXPERIENCE IN NEW-JERSEY.

HOW ONE INVESTIGATION COMMITTEE HAD TO STOP ITS WORK AND ANOTHER WENT ON.

Robert H. McCarter, of McCarter, Williamson & McCarter, of Newark, was counsel for the Gledhill Committee of Investigation, appointed by the New-Jersey House of Assembly in 1898 to investigate the condition of affairs in Hudson County. The committee began its labors just prior to the adjournment of the Legislature, and took some evidence. After adjournment the committee held a session in Jersey City, and an important witness was called. Allan L. McDermott, who was acting as counsel for the Democratic officials in Hudson, thereupon raised the point that as the Legislature had adjourned the committee was without any power and could not compel witnesses to testify; that the committee had no legal existence, having expired with the Legislature. The point was conceded at once by Mr. McCarter, and the committee ceased its investigation. The committee's counsel had before adjournment represented to the leaders in the Legislature that it would be necessary to make special provision for carrying on the investigation before adjournment, so that the investigators could have legal powers to act, but his advice was disregarded.

In 1895 a Senate Committee, of which Foster M. Voorhees was chairman, was appointed to investigate the frauds by the Democratic regime at the State House, and the investigation was conducted while the Legislature was not in session.

Mr. McCarter was asked at Newark yesterday why the committee had acted legally in the one case and was prevented from acting in the other; what authorization had been given in one case which was omitted in the other. Mr. McCarter said:

"There was no authorization by a Legislature. In the case of the Voorhees Committee investigation the Legislature, instead of adjourning sine die, adjourned to meet again at the call of the presiding officers. This action continued the committees in existence and left the Legislature in a position to receive at any time the report of the Investigating Committee. In the case of the Gledhill Committee the Legislature adjourned sine die, and that ended the legislative committees.

"The legislative practice," continued Mr. McCarter, "is universal. The Mazet Committee in New-York will die with the Legislature adjournment, the same as the Gledhill Committee did; but the Legislature can create a commission at any time to act between sessions and report to a future Legislature. As I have said, a committee's function is limited to the life of a Legislature, being a part of that body. When the body dies the function ceases."

MAY BREAK WITH DR. PARKHURST.

THE S. P. C. LIKELY TO REPUDIATE HIS ATTITUDE TOWARD THE INQUIRY.

While the step taken by Edward A. Newell in resigning the treasurership of the Society for the Prevention of Crime, of which the Rev. Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst is president, was not directly due to any dissension, as was at first supposed, arising from Dr. Parkhurst's attitude toward the Mazet Investigation Committee, it was authoritatively learned by a Tribune reporter yesterday that the majority of the Board of Directors are emphatically opposed to the stand-aloof policy to which Dr. Parkhurst is committed. It was ascertained, moreover, that the directors are so much in sympathy with the investigation that had either Frank Moss or Francis E. Laimbeer asked for the support of the society in their efforts the Board would have unquestionably given its indorsement and aid. The Board would do so now should Mr. Moss request it. Further than that, it can be safely said that if Dr. Parkhurst does not quickly recede from the position he has taken up toward the Mazet committee the directors of his society will of their own volition officially approve the purpose of the inquiry, and will vote to assist the committee as far as they are able.

Unless Dr. Parkhurst should assent to this course, it is likely that he would withdraw from the society. Apparently Dr. Parkhurst is unaware of the feeling held by the members of his Board. To a Tribune reporter who saw him at his home yesterday, he said that so far as he knew the directors coincided with him in his views about the Mazet committee, and he seemed to think that no action would be taken without his sanction.

"I am not willing to talk," he said, "of the reasons which induced Mr. Newell to resign, but they had nothing to do with matters relating to the Mazet committee. The reports which appeared this morning inferring the contrary are untrue. I do not think the directors differ with me in my views as to that committee. Whether we may decide in the future to aid the investigation, of course, is another matter."

Despite Dr. Parkhurst's opinion, however, it is undoubted that the directors, although as yet tentatively, are at variance with him. A member of the Board who has knowledge of the feelings of his colleagues informed a Tribune reporter yesterday that it was more than probable that when the question of Mr. Newell's resignation came before the Board at its next meeting Dr. Parkhurst's policy would be repudiated and the assistance of the society and the means of obtaining evidence which it has at its command would be tendered to the Mazet committee. The Board would have made the offer before this had Mr. Moss approached the society. In view, however, of Dr. Parkhurst's utterances regarding the committee, Mr. Moss, animated by a desire not to create differences in the organization, has made no request for its help. The disposition of the Board now is to come forward and propose voluntarily to facilitate the efforts of the committee. It is certain that the greater number of the members are dissatisfied and annoyed that the society, for which Frank Moss has been so faithful and energetic a worker, should have been placed in the position of denying him its moral and material support. Further, it is hinted that the usefulness of the society is becoming lessened because some of its financial supporters are similarly dissatisfied and annoyed.

DR. ADLER DENOUNCES CROKER.

"IN HIS THICK BRAIN HE HAS STOLEN NOTHING UNLESS HE HAS PUT HIS HAND INTO THE CITY'S TREASURY."

In a lecture delivered before the Ethical Culture Society at Carnegie Hall yesterday morning Professor Felix Adler indirectly denounced Richard Croker in vigorous terms. Several times during Professor Adler's address the large audience gave way to applause.

"The Metropolitan Greatness of New-York and the Moral Problems It Raises" was the subject of Professor Adler's address. It was while discussing the work of the Mazet committee that Professor Adler made his attack on Mr. Croker. He said, in part:

For my part the obvious bias of the investigators would make me lose interest in the matter were it not for the admissions that have been made, admissions which are a matter of record of the most startling character. We hear people say day by day that there has been nothing new brought out. There has. Are not these admissions new?

But what is this that has been admitted? First, the chief witness of all gets on the stand and freely confesses that he is the dictator to which we must bow; admits that he is the dictator, and that conventions ratify his will; admits that it is his will that makes our judges; admits that it is his will that the men of his organization shall be the favored; admits, in fact, that the government of New-York really exists only on paper.

One hundred years ago Thomas Jefferson, that father of the principles of the party which this dictator says he represents, refused to appoint a relative to office, giving as a reason that he would not create a precedent by which much evil might result, a precedent that might warp the judgment of government officials. And since that time his ruling has been an elementary principle of political rule. Yet this dictator tells you practically that we have gone back over one hundred years, and he wishes you to believe him. He thinks it right and proper that judges owned and elected by him should turn money into his purse. He proclaims that he has never stolen a penny of the city's money. He dramatically says you may cut off his right hand if you can prove that he has ever stolen a cent of the city's money. What does he mean by that? Admittedly he probably has never put his hands into the public treasury and taken its contents, but from a moral standpoint how can we but view his acts? In his thick brain he has stolen nothing unless he has put his hand into the city's treasury.

He cannot see why a city contractor who gets his contracts through favoritism isn't as good as anybody. Does this same contractor get his contracts by reason of virtuous merit? No, he gets them through pecuniary aid, and he pays somebody for it. And, this being the case, must he not recoup himself? And how does he do this? He either charges the city higher prices or else he does inferior work. I say that every penny thus gained is just so much stolen from the city treasury. It is theft pure and simple.

A gentleman of the road goes into a bank, and with the aid of a pistol he levies assessments. He is arrested, haled to court and faced by his accuser. To the cashier he has robbed he turns and says, "Are you not making money out of this bank?" His question is just as pertinent as some we have heard recently.

And are we political babies to allow this self-appointed master to dictate, this man who has publicly proclaimed and emblazoned himself as the political master of New-York? Why is it that in a city like this the tail rules the head, that the morally undeveloped rule the morally developed? It's your fault, I say, the fault of the better class. You do not understand the problem. How may the minority rule the majority? It is fiction and fallacy that have kept the reformers from understanding the problem.

The efforts of the legislators at Albany to effect a change by the passage of the Constabulary bill will not solve the question. Far from it. On the other hand, it is mere suicidal attempt to remedy a wrong. The power of moral intelligence is the only force measure that can be used to get at a solution of the problem.

There are three qualities that are essential in the successful leader. He must be free from all taint of the Pharisee. He must have a broad conception of public will, not allowing the small things to disturb the big ones, and, last, he must be entirely free from class prejudice. To the latter prejudice can be traced the failure of reform movements. The successful leader must be a big man. It is my ambition that this society will be the instrument by which much good may be done to remedy the faults. The gate is open for us, and I hope we shall accept the invitation.

TRAVELLERS FROM BERMUDA.

Among the passengers who arrived yesterday on the steamer Trinidad, from Bermuda, were C. D. Byron, paymaster in the English Navy; F. W. J. Hurst, Dr. J. B. L'Hommedieu, Deputy Health Officer of the Port of New-York, and H. A. Outerbridge.

THE WEEK IN PETROLEUM.

The oil markets continued dull and uninteresting last week. There was no very great demand, and, as the offerings were on a fairly liberal scale, a decline of prices both here and abroad was effected. The decline here was about 10 points, while at Bremen and Antwerp slight reductions were also reported. Field work, particularly in Ohio and Indiana, continues active. In the former district a half-dozen wells have been completed, which show all the way from 20 to 150 barrels in the first twenty-four hours. In the Indiana fields more wells have been completed, but the aggregate new production is only as large as in the Ohio fields. Interest has again been centred in the Scio district, by reason of a big oil deal, which was consummated last week. The sale was made by the Devonian Oil Company and the Victor Oil and Gas Company, and includes about 12,000 acres, upon which there are about 102 completed oil and gas wells, with a settled production of 300 barrels a day. A part of the 12,000 acres is still undeveloped. The purchaser was the McCalmont Oil Company, and the consideration is said to be about $160,000.

The partial pipe line returns from April 1 to 19 (charters to the 29th inclusive) are as follows:

| | Total bbls. | Daily av. April, '99.