SPORTS AND SPORTSMEN:

IMP GOT THIRD PLACE.

CONTESTS AT SHEEPSHEAD BAY.

SOME OF THE WINNERS NOT LIKED BY THE PUBLIC.

June will end in a few days. It has been bountiful to outdoor sports. Few afternoons since the close of May have been stormy, and most of them have been mild, sun, air and all the elements agreeing to tempt into the wide open men, women and children in search of pleasure. The Coney Island Jockey Club has been so zealous to please owners, trainers and stockholders that it has been holding races six days in the week, a policy prompted by a spirit of devotion to the profits of stables and of owners of shares. When racing goes on every day except Sunday, how fascinating is the outlook for the men who handle horses and the men who handle books! Every day running to an immoderate extent taxes the masses who buttress the temple of sport, and may work damage to the turf in the long run, but it affords to the possessors and managers of stables broad avenues to wealth. The public may be anxious while the betting ring buys bonds. Blows may be dealt at the vital parts of racing through the variations of form which everyday contests must promote. It is plain that owners and trainers are ungrateful in failing to respond freely to the liberal action of the Coney Island Jockey Club. In too many instances they spoil programmes by keeping their horses in the stables. In such a June as this, with nearly two thousand horses in training on or near Long Island, owners and trainers have been so sluggish and ungenerous as to decline to start colts and fillies which they ought to start. The result is that the Sheepshead programmes have been ill-balanced and weak on several days of this meeting.

A Saturday afternoon of exceptional charm brought to the Sheepshead course a pleasant company of many thousands. Yet it is certain that the attendance would have been much larger had the owners and trainers been more generous in their entries, and had the poolrooms been closed. Mr. Croker, New-York's majestic, stately and imperious ruler, is now here, having come back from England, his favorite abiding place, and the country in which he prefers to spend in recreation the money which he exacts from his loyal subjects in Manhattan. The Croker exchequer may be low, and he may desire to levy a new tax upon his realm in order that he may resume with suitable splendor his career upon the British turf. Our racing associations might invest some of their profits sagaciously if they hand over a hundred thousand dollars or so to Mr. Croker in condition that he issue a decree closing the poolrooms. It is evident to every person familiar with the matter that the poolrooms absorb a great deal of money which would otherwise swell the receipts of the racetracks. A gift of $100,000 to Mr. Croker would probably secure the closing of the poolrooms, and might prove to be a profitable investment for the tracks. As to the morality of such a transaction, what is to be said with regard to the morality of assessing the bookmakers for their gambling privileges in clear violation of the law?

What is the present attitude toward the poolrooms of the men who control racing? While the ruler of New-York has been in England enjoying himself, the political corpses of Mayor Van Wyck, ex-Judge Van Wyck, John F. Carroll, Dock Commissioners Cram and Murphy and several other Democratic pro-consuls have been put on ice and are now awaiting burial. Mr. Croker is expected to take the part of the first grave digger, and as he fondles the empty skull of John F. Carroll he may repeat the words of "Hamlet": "It might be the pate of a politician . . . a fellow of infinite jest."

But when Mr. Croker has filled his political graveyard, might he not listen to the poolroom suggestion?

The substantial gathering of spectators at Sheepshead was pleased with the first race, in which the favorite, Harlem Lane, neatly ridder by O'Connor, got the prize. Harlem Lane is a tiny mouse of a filly. She is so small that she cannot carry stake weight, and she is not likely to be a stayer. But the distance and weight in that first affair suited the elfin morsel, and she was really successful. Ondurdis was the second choice, and she secured second place. So the diversion of the day began acceptably. The best runner was first and the second best was second.

Alas! how mournful was the change in the second act! W. C. Whitney's Montanic, ridden by Odom, and J. Boden's Odeal, ridden by Spencer, were the public choices. Spencer's riding of Ordeal was worse than the riding of John Gilpin as described by the poet Cowper. Ordeal was unplaced. Ponder upon Montanic's exploits in 1899! That horse last season was a stake winner, and did creditable things several times in stake company with weight up. Montanic is as good now as he was a year ago. Odom, the jockey, rode well a year ago. Since his fall and his sickness his jockeyship has been pitiful. He is an honest boy, but he is so weak and timid that it is wrong to give him mounts until he recovers from his weakness and timidity. Mr. Whitney and Mr. Madden hurt their own interests by their persistence in throwing away races by putting this weak and timid boy on their horses. Let them pay him his full salaries by all means, if they desire to do so. If Mr. Whitney will pay Odom $15,000 a year for life and Mr. Madden will add $5,000 a year for life their noble action will call out loud applause. But it is not fair to the turf and not fair to the people who support the turf to persist in putting Odom on horses, while he is so weak and timid that he ruins the chances of the horses which he rides. With a competent jockey Montanic would have won first by a sure margin in that second affair. With Odom up he got into pocket after pocket, was miserably ridden from end to end, and finally came home third, behind Maribert and His Royal Highness.

Maher rode Maribert well. There was plenty of 4 to 1 and 5 to 1 and even 6 to 1 against Maribert. That explains why Maher rode him well. If Maribert had been a great public favorite at a short price, as Ethelbert was in the Suburban, Maher would probably have ridden him as he rode Ethelbert in the Suburban, and Maribert would not have been first. Odom's riding of Montanic was all right as to honesty, but it was wretched as to weakness, timidity and incompetence.

In the Surf Stakes Water Color was the favorite, but Outlander, Contend and Smile had many supporters. A crazy tip on Atmore was spread all over the grounds. Water Color recovered the speed which he unaccountably mislaid when he was last seen in public, and he took first honors handsomely. Smile was second and Outlander third. Spencer's riding of Outlander was tormenting. When the betting and all the conditions plead Spencer can ride fairly in races of six furlongs or more, but he is deadly slow at the post in short races, and, moreover, he is no judge of pace in short races. If he were never permitted to ride in any contest at less than six furlongs his reputation might be cleaner than it is. He is a hopeless failure at short distances. No jockey in the world is slower at the start than he is usually. Atmore, the great tip, ought to be made a census enumerator unless he can move more rapidly than he moved in the Surf Stakes. He was almost as slow as the Thirty-fourth-st. ferry, the paragon of slowness.

Nobody can name the champion two-year-old yet. The championship of the two-year-olds is still uncertain.

Charles Head Smith, of Chicago, a few weeks ago defied the world to produce the equal of his three-year-old colt Lieutenant Gibson. Yesterday in Chicago, in the American Derby, Lieutenant Gibson was third to Sidney Lucas and James. The wild Western whoop of Charles Head Smith for Lieutenant Gibson may now pause. Several three-year-old colts in the East can outrun Sidney Lucas and James at any time and at any distance, and therefore can defeat Lieutenant Gibson, the property of Charles Head Smith, the wild Western whooper of Chicago.

In the Sheepshead Bay Handicap at a mile, the fourth contest, Jean Beraud, ridden by Turner, was the favorite, but he found his weight of 131 pounds too bulky, and failed to obtain a place. Imp, carrying 133 pounds and ridden by Taber, ran most creditably with so severe an impost, and came home third. To Greyfeld the headless handicapper had allotted the feather weight of ninety pounds, and Greyfeld was victorious. Bendoran went out in the lead, with Shaw in the saddle, and Greyfeld could not catch him until they had entered the final furlong. Bendoran's improvement over his last previous race was so startling that it ought to be investigated by the stewards of the Jockey Club. Maher rode May Hempstead, who had a number of supporters. Maher's ride on May Hempstead was similar to his ride on Ethelbert in the Suburban. Don't overlook May Hempstead. Maher was not anxious to win with her. It was a Suburban ride. That was plain to every careful observer. Firearm was an added starter. The unapproachable and stupendous Spencer rode him. It may have been Firearm's fault or it may have been Spencer's fault. Sooth to say, the performance was a miserable one.

The steeplechase was a sickening mess, so much so that it would be nauseating to print the details. It was one of the most unfortunate steeplechases that ever irritated, exasperated and disgusted a racetrack crowd.

Harlem Lane, the winner of the opening race, was bought in for $1,705, an advance of $805 over the entered price. Michael Clancy did the bidding up.

Ethelbert and Kilmarnock were the only entries made for the Special Race, and it was declared off. The committee then announced a race under the same conditions as to weights and distance, with a change of the entrance fee. In place of $5,000 play or pay, it was made $50 each, with $1,500 added by the club. The entries were to close at 4:30 p. m. yesterday, but no entries were made, and once more the race was declared off.

Hogan, who rode The Bachelor in the steeplechase, was slightly bruised. Donohue got off with a shaking up. Mara had his shoulder broken, and he is thought to be badly hurt.

The summaries follow:

FIRST RACE—For two-year-old fillies; $700 added; selling. Five furlongs. Futurity Course.

		Betting. St.	Pl.
H. P. Headley's b. f. Harlem Lane, by Kingston—Medusa, 102 lb.	(O'Connor) 1	1—1	1—3
G. F. Johnson's br. f. Ondurdis, 102	(McCue) 2	3—1	4—5
W. D. Kilpatrick's ch. f. Annie Thompson, 89	(H. Michaels) 3	40—1	15—1
Welsh Girl, 89	(Brenhan) 0	10—1	4—1
Ethel Pace, 94 (car. 57)	Wedderstrandt 0	10—1	4—1
Prima II, 94	(Rausch) 0	10—1	4—1
Princess Otillie, 98	(Henry) 0	20—1	8—1
Fiducate, 106 (car. 108)	(McJoynt) 0	15—1	5—1
Bramble Bush, 94	(Phelan) 0	60—1	20—1
Comic, 94	(J. Slack) 0	40—1	12—1
Lillian Hoffman, 94	(Donegan) 0	60—1	20—1
Lady Padden, 94 (car. 98)	(Frasch) 0	30—1	10—1
Mistigri, 89 (car. 92)	(Dangman) 0	40—1	15—1

Time—1:02⅘.

Start poor. Won easily by a neck; two lengths between second and third.

SECOND RACE—Highweight handicap; $900 added. Six furlongs, on main track.

P. Lorillard's b. c. Maribert, by Albert—Miss Mary, 3 yrs., 105 lb.	(Maher) 1	5—1	2—1
P. J. Dwyer's ch. c. His Royal Highness, 3, 99	(Dangman) 2	15—1	5—1
W. C. Whitney's b. g. Montanic, 3, 105	(Odom) 3	7—2	7—5
Trumpet, 3, 117	(Cowman) 0	8—1	3—1
Kamara, 3, 112	(Shaw) 0	10—1	4—1
Andrisa, 3, 113	(Turner) 0	5—1	2—1
Ordeal, 4, 110	(Spencer) 0	7—2	7—5
Ten Candles, 3, 108	(Hamilton) 0	25—1	10—1
Ben Hadad, 5, 119	(Clawson) 0	10—1	4—1
Fond Hopes, 3, 110	(McCue) 0	10—1	4—1

Time—1:14.

Start poor. Won driving by a length; same distance between second and third.

THIRD RACE—SURF STAKES; for two year-olds; $1,500 added; penalties and allowances. Five and one-half furlongs. Futurity Course.

C. Littlefield, jr.'s, br. c. Water Color, by Waterboss—Salvina, 122 lb.	(Littlefield) 1	3—1	1—1
A. H. & D. H. Morris's ch. c. Smile, 117	(Turner) 2	5—1	2—1
J. R. & F. F. Keene's ch. g. Outlander, 119	(Spencer) 3	4—1	8—5
Prince of Melrose, 122	(Henry) 0	12—1	4—1
Atmore, 117	(McCue) 0	5—1	8—5
Ganymede, 119	(Maher) 0	12—1	5—1
Contend, 117	(McJoynt) 0	9—2	8—5
Humbolt, 117	(Shaw) 0	40—1	12—1

Time—1:07⅘.

Start fair. Won easily by a length; same distance between second and third.

FOURTH RACE—SHEEPSHEAD BAY HANDICAP; value $2,000; penalties. One mile.

R. A. Smith's ch. c. Greyfeld, by Azra—Anadem, 4 yrs., 90 lb (car. 91)	(Dangman) 1	8—1	3—1
W. B. Jennings's ch. h. Bendoran, 5, 121	(Shaw) 2	12—1	4—1
Harness & Brosman's blk. m. Imp, 6, 133	(Taber) 3	4—1	8—5
Raffaello, 4, 112	(O'Connor) 0	8—1	3—1
Charentus, 6, 109 (car. 102)	(McCue) 0	10—1	4—1
May Hempstead, 4, 114	(Maher) 0	5—1	8—5
Jean Beraud, 4, 131	(Turner) 0	3—1	1—1
John Bright, 5, 117	(Clawson) 0	20—1	8—1
Toddy, 3, 96	(Rausch) 0	12—1	5—1
Firearm, 4, 124	(Spencer) 0	12—1	5—1

Time—1:40⅘.

Start poor. Won driving by a half length; two lengths between second and third.

FIFTH RACE—Handicap steeplechase; $800 added. Full steeplechase course.

W. C. Hayes's ch. g. Trillion, by King Ernest—Trill, aged, 136 lb.	(Brazil) 1	15—1	5—1
**Mr. Chamblet's b. g. Ochiltree, 5, 130	(Veitch) 2	4—1	7—5
†**Mr. Chamblet's b. g. Plato, 4, 137	(Heider) 3	4—1	7—5
*The Bachelor, aged, 164	(Hogan) 0	8—5	1—2
†Charlie O, 4, 146	(Donohue) 0	7—1	2—1
†Ronkonkoma, 4, 142	(Mara) 0	2—1	3—5
§Tentore, 5, 135	(Carson) 0	10—1	3—1

Time—5:22⅘.

‡Fell and remounted. *Threw rider. †Fell. §Refused. **Coupled in betting.

Start poor. Trillion came home all alone. Ochiltree was thirty lengths in front of Plato.

SIXTH RACE—Selling; $900 added. One and one-sixteenth miles, on turf.

J. McLaughlin's br. c. First Whip, by Duke of Montrose—Theora, 3 yrs., 111 lb	(Maher) 1	6—5	1—4
J. Underwood & Co.'s br. c. Rare Perfume, 4, 112	(Shaw) 2	2—1	3—5
W. H. May & Son's b. c. The Rush, 3, 105	(Winkfield) 3	5—2	4—5
Tulane, 4, 111	(Clawson) 0	8—1	5—2
Eliner, 5, 113	(Hager) 0	15—1	5—1
Sensational, 5, 105	(Breenan) 0	60—1	20—1

Time—1:47⅘.

Start fair. Won easily by a length; two lengths between second and third.

SHEEPSHEAD BAY ENTRIES FOR MONDAY.

The entries for to-morrow's races at Sheepshead Bay are as follows:

FIRST RACE—For two-year-olds; weights to be seven pounds below the scale; horses entered not to be sold to carry twelve pounds extra. Five furlongs of Futurity Course.

Name.	Wt.	Name.	Wt.
McAddie	127	Admiral Pepper	115
Scurry	124	Gold Heels	115
Glenbelle	124	The Bluecoat	115
Pigeon Post	115	Aurous	115
American	115	Bowen	115
Orderer	115	Gletwood	115
Competitor	115	Educate	112
Rappenecker	115	Lambkin	112
Browndale	115	Spoil Sport	112
Yorkshire Boy	115	Petra II	112
Quiz II	115	Connie	107

SECOND RACE—For three-year-olds and upward; with $1,000 added; weights fifteen pounds above the scale; allowances. One mile, on turf.

May Hempstead	136	Kamara	111
Blue Devil	133	Lindula	111
Miller	116	Magic Light	106
Jack Point	116	Ten Candles	106
Macleod of Dare	116	Nansen	103

THIRD RACE—THE ZEPHYR, with $1,000 added; for two-year-olds; weights 10 pounds below the scale; penalties; entrance fee $10 each; to second horse $200 and to third $100 of the added money. Futurity Course.

R. W. Walden & Sons' blk. f. Anecdote, by Tom Ochiltree—Lizzie Tabor	119
John Daly's ch. f. Glenbelle, by His Highness—Neglen	114
P. S. F. Randolph's ch. g. Scurry, by St. Charles—White Squall	114
R. T. Wilson, jr.'s, b. c. The Parader, by Longstreet—Prefence	112
G. B. Morris's ch. c. Bedeck, by Star Ruby—Bedotte	112
C. Littlefield, jr.'s, br. c. Olympia, by Darebin—Firenzita	112
The Pepper Stable's ch. c. King Pepper, by Kantaka—Genevieve	112
W. Showalter's ch. c. Telamon, by Hanover—Tolochee	112
J. L. Holland's br. c. Lief Prince, by Prince Lief or Bermuda—Natalie	112
H. S. Tomlinson & Co.'s b. c. Commander, by Leonatus—Nettie Howell	112
W. C. Whitney's b. c. Holstein, by Hanover—Anna Gray	112

FOURTH RACE—Handicap, with $1,200 added; for three-year-olds and upward. One and one-eighth miles.

Decanter	118	Half Time	104
Intrusive	117	Mento	104
Maximo Gomez	113	Favonius	99
Colonel Roosevelt	106	Radford	95

FIFTH RACE—Hurdle handicap; for four-year-olds and upward. One and one-half miles, on turf, over six hurdles.

Dr. Eichberg	147	Draughtsman	130
Hardy C	135	Al Reeves	130
Hardy Pardee	134	Monroe Doctrine	130
Shinfane	134		

SIXTH RACE—Selling; for three-year-olds, non-winners of $500 this year. Six furlongs, on main track.

Midsummer	111	Diffidence	97
Margate	111	Harry McCoun	96
Avenstoke	108	Peaceful	96
The Corinthian	105	Tourney	93
Fleuron	103	Albonita	91
Solent	102	Pip Domino	91
Dread	98	Prejudice	91
Jugglery	97	Allaire	86
Fatalist	97	Eileen Daly	86

SIDNEY LUCAS'S AMERICAN DERBY.

A 15 TO 1 SHOT WINS, WITH LIEUTENANT GIBSON THIRD.

Chicago, June 23.—Sidney Lucas, a despised outsider in the betting, won the thirteenth American Derby at Washington Park this afternoon by five lengths. The Eastern colt James was second, while the even money favorite, Lieutenant Gibson, was a poor third. As the field cantered back to the grandstand there was no tumultuous applause to greet Sidney Lucas, the 15 to 1 shot, whose forelegs had been encased in red flannel bandages. Instead, there was the almost sullen hush of disappointment.

The delay at the post was short, only the nervous temperament of Lieutenant Gibson showing by his pirouetting. At the second break Starter Dwyer dispatched the field, with Barrack a neck before James and Lieutenant Gibson a head back. Coming past the expectant crowd in the grandstand, Gibson, fighting for his head, was a shade before James, also running easily. Sam Phillips, Sidney Lucas, Barrack and Advance Guard was the order of the others. Going down the backstretch James led, with Gibson second and Sidney Lucas third, about two lengths back. Coming around the last turn for the final brush through the stretch, James was still in the lead, half a length before Gibson, the latter an equal distance before Lucas. Then Boland urged his mount, but Lieutenant Gibson, the carrier of many thousands of dollars, failed to respond, and the crowd shouted "Lieutenant Gibson is beaten!"

Sidney Lucas went up with a rush, with James further diminishing Gibson's glimmering chances by shutting him between the two, so Boland would have been forced to go around, but this was unnecessary, as both Lucas and James were leaving the favorite in the rear. At the eighth pole Sidney Lucas, moving easily, had rushed to the fore, leading by two open lengths. Gibson and James were almost on equal terms. From the eighth pole home the race was a procession. Try as he would, Boland could not rouse the tiring Gibson. Thus the three passed the stand. The summaries follow:

First race (one mile)—Sam Fullem, 109 (Silvers), 6 to 1, won; Modrine, 107 (Bullman), even, second; Larkspur, 102 (J. Martin), third. Time—1:45⅘.

Second race (six furlongs)—Reminder, 111 (Devin), 3 to 1, won; Mr. Brown, 111 (T. Knight), 8 to 1, second; Fly by Night, 119 (Buchanan), third. Time—1:16¼.

Third race (American Derby, mile and one-half)—Sidney Lucas, 122 (Bullman), 15 to 1, won; James, 122 (Mitchell), 8 to 5, second; Lieutenant Gibson, 129 (Boland), third. Time—2:40¾.

Fourth race (seven and one-half furlongs)—Great Bend, 109 (Kiley), 6 to 5, won; Morini, 109 (Mitchell), 5 to 2, second; Orion, 105 (Flick), third. Time—1:37⅘.

Fifth race (four and one-half furlongs)—Criterion, 111 (Mitchell), 7 to 5, won; Alard Scheck, 118 (T. Burns), 2 to 1, second; Sofala, 120 (Bullman), third. Time—0:59⅘.

SALE OF HORSES AT SHEEPSHEAD BAY.

A number of racehorses in training were sold at auction yesterday at Sheepshead Bay. Those bringing $400 or more and the names of the purchaser were as follows:

Property of F. R. & T. Hitchcock.

Tamor, ch. g., 4 years, by Tammany—Oriole; T. Hitchcock	$550
Tantris, br. g., 5 years, by Sir Modred—sister to Jim Douglas; Mr. McGinnis	550
Lost Cord, b. g., 3 years, by Ben Strome—Lost Fan; T. Hitchcock	1,000
Asquith, b. c., 3 years, by Lord Esterling—Tarpela; H. K. Knapp	3,100
Redpath, ch. g., 3 years, by Rayon d'Or—Red Girl; T. Hitchcock	1,600
Pathfinder, ch. g., 2 years, by Clear the Way—Adventuress II; C. F. Hill	400
Light Blaise, b. f., 2 years, by St. Blaise—Active; T. Hitchcock	650

Property of H. B. Durham.

Bon Jour, b. g., 5 years, by King Gallop—Bon Soir; C. Oxx	450

Property of R. T. Wilson, Jr.

Filon d'Or, ch. g., 4 years, by Rayon d'Or—Fides; American Horse Exchange	2,100

Property of M. L. Hayman.

Gaze, ch. f., 4 years, by Falsetto—Glimpse; H. K. Knapp	800

Property of P. Lorillard.

The Chamberlain, b. c., 3 years, by Lisbon—Patrimony; R. C. Loud	700

TEAMS TO TROT FOR $2,000.

MATCH RACE ARRANGED BETWEEN THE FLYERS OF W. C. FLOYD-JONES AND DE WITT C. FLANAGAN.

As the result of much rivalry between the trotting teams of the Morristown horse fancier, De Witt C. Flanagan, and W. C. Floyd-Jones, of this city, the owners of the horses have agreed to match them for $1,000 a side to race at the Empire City track on Saturday, July 14. This is the date of the proposed meet of the Road Drivers' Association, and that organization will add to the stakes a handsome silver trophy as a souvenir of the victory. The race is to be mile heats, best two in three. Mr. Flanagan will start his Speedway trotters, Kingwood, 2:17¼, and Little Belle, 2:23¼, while the Floyd-Jones representatives will be Casselton, 2:16¼, and Knoxena, 2:28¾. With a view to making the race a sort of championship contest among the crack pairs driven on the Speedway, the owners of these two teams have left the door open for anybody who thinks he owns a faster pair to enter for the race. John F. Cockerill, owner of Swift, 2:03¼, and Honor Bright, 2:28¾, was specially invited to take a hand in the contest, but he objected to the early date for the race, saying his horses were not in shape to go mile heats. Mr. Cockerill offered, however, to go into a sweepstakes race for $1,000 or $2,000 a corner, to trot at the Grand Circuit meeting next September. Such a race may be arranged later, but the owners of the other two pairs decided not to wait until September for the decision of their match. Casselton and Knoxena trotted a mile in 2:20½ over the Empire City track a few days ago. They are being trained for the race by Elmer Stevens. Kingwood and Little Belle are in training at Morristown. They were timed a quarter of a mile in 0:31½ on the Speedway one day last month.

A. J. Welch and Orlando Jones, who recently leased the Empire City trotting track for a Grand Circuit meeting in September, have decided to open three or four stake races for trotters and pacers. Though the season is far advanced for instalment purses, the managers of the meeting hope to get a good number of entries, as they expect the men who last fall joined the movement against stakes closing prior to July 1, and who entered in none of the early closing races of the Grand Circuit this year, to back them up in the experiment. If the late closing stakes here receive liberal patronage from the horse owners, the boycotters may induce other associations to follow the lead of New-York next season, and eventually win their fight. On the other hand, if the Empire City stakes are not well supported, the horse owners cannot hope to see similar closing races established. The New-York meeting will open on Monday, September 10, and will probably continue six days.

President Clausen of the Park Board announced yesterday a new rule for the Speedway which will meet with the approval of all road riders who drive fast horses there. Heretofore there has been no restriction as to the direction in which horses might be speeded, although on nearly every other driveway of the kind in the country the brushing must be in one direction only. Headon collisions have been narrowly averted on many occasions since the Harlem River Speedway was thrown open to the public, and Mr. Clausen has finally decided to require everybody to go slow when driving up the road toward Dyckman-st.

ROCKAWAY WINS THE MORRELL CUP.

FINE POLO AT THE PHILADELPHIA GROUNDS.

Philadelphia, June 23 (Special).—That polo has its elements of chance like all other sports in which the equine nature is a prime factor was amply demonstrated here to-day during the final contest between the Rockaway and Philadelphia Country Club players for the Morrell Challenge Cup. Backed by all the knowing ones to win as a dead sure thing, the Quaker contingent, notwithstanding their cyclonic ponies and individual brilliance, were outpointed in the flat just three goals by the New-York delegation, and that in the two last quarters by superior cohesion and effective team work. As last Thursday's victory of the Country Club over the Devonians surprised the prophets, so to-day's Rockaway form upsets all calculations and rivets attention on the game from Cedarhurst for the approaching junior championship series. To-day's tussle was scientific from start to finish, and reflects credit on both teams, on Philadelphia for its aggressiveness and phenomenal speed at the opening, and on Rockaway for its wonderful endurance, stubborn defence and solidarity when the cattle began to waver and only hard to hand fighting of the daredevil kind could avail.

As lined up by referee, George Kendrick, the teams were: Jay B. Lippincott, M. G. Rosengarten, A. E. Kennedy and J. Frank McFadden for Philadelphia, and W. A. Hazard, Réné La Montagne, Frank S. Conover and F. D. Savage for Rockaway. Aggregate handicap, seventeen all. They got the ball at 5:02 o'clock, and in a flash the visitors were on it, Conover picking up La Montagne's leave.

The Magpies rushed it across, however, after an extraordinary back hook from Frank McFadden's wonderful mallet. Then Rosengarten got on for lead, and the field lined out pair and pair in whirlwind fashion. The crowd quickly realized that they were looking at a game for blood, and yelled enthusiastically as the ponies turned after a marvellous stroke from Kennedy's hammer. He was the popular star from the start, and never has he played better. His direction was excellent, and his eye never lost the ball for an instant. His great opportunity came in the third bout, when he took possession of the ball in the western half and carried it with three clean hits, then caught it in the air, let it bounce off his body, and as it dropped, struck it again with unerring direction and sent it whistling betwixt the uprights. This was the signal for a roar of applause, which was continued for several minutes. In a later rush his pony went to earth, and he with it, but this did not deter him, for play was at once resumed. Then his belt gave way, but still he held to his spectacular style, and did the lion's share of execution for his side.

It was in the last two heats that Conover and Réné La Montagne climbed into public favor. The former played up to and beyond his handicap rating, and was the life and soul of his team. Again and again he forced the ball through the black and white riders who, as often replied in kind, but could not break down the Conover and Savage guard. Réné La Montagne, by popping through the back of the goal, saved disaster frequently, and Hazard, though he rode close behind, instead of against, his principal opponent, too often, played the ball well many times, and adhered strictly to his position.

By periods the first was five, less one-half, in favor of Philadelphia; second, Philadelphia two and Rockaway four; third, Philadelphia one, less one-half, and Rockaway three; final, Rockaway three and the home team nothing; the net totals showing Philadelphia seven and Rockaway ten, which gives the latter the Morrell trophy, after as good a game as was ever played in this country.

TURNERS ENGAGE IN SPORTS.

Philadelphia, June 23.—The members of the North American Turner Bund enjoyed themselves to the fullest extent to-day. The programme included a street parade, swimming races in the Schuylkill River and field sports at the Philadelphia baseball park, in which nearly five thousand turners participated. The parade was a novelty in this city. Although the organization was formed here, none of its turnfests have heretofore been held here. The route of the procession was down Broad-st., around the City Hall and to the baseball grounds, at Broad and Huntington sts. Throngs of spectators cheered the marching turners, whose precision and athletic step evoked applause along the entire line. Individuals who were sure of their prizes were recognized and cheered.

At the ball park the actives arranged themselves on the turf in the order they occupied in the parade. The great interest of the spectators centred in the pentathlon, or contest of five events. The events were the hop, step and jump, throwing the spear, 100 yard dash, putting the shot and wrestling. From the spectacular point of view the mass wand exercises, in which two thousand of the active members participated, was the event of the afternoon. They covered the entire field to the bicycle track, and they went through the long and elaborate drill with the polished iron wands with machinelike precision.

In the swimming contests the final heat of the 100 yard race was won by John T. Taylor, Central Turn Verein, Pittsburg; Bernhard Koehler, South Bend, Ind., second. Time, 1 17 4-5.

Taylor also won the five mile race in 18:56 2-5. E. E. Krause, of this city, was second.

GOLF.

SEELEY MAKES A NEW AMATEUR RECORD AT KNOLLWOOD.

C. H. Seeley, the young Wee Burn golfer, made a clean sweep of prizes in the Knollwood tournament yesterday. The President's Cup, a magnificent silver trophy offered by John D. Archbold, was awarded to him as a result of his victory over Ballou, of Apawamis. The Vice-President's Cup, another costly piece of silver presented by Paul G. Thebaud, became his in the handicap, and the gold medal offered for the best gross score went to him on his medal play card. In addition he smashed the amateur record of the course, doing a 75, which lowers the previous record, held by Travis, by a stroke.

Notwithstanding the threatening clouds there was the usual throng on the piazzas when the play started, and later in the afternoon the lawns were filled with onlookers from the nearby summer cottages. By mutual agreement between the competitors and the committee the conditions were changed from eighteen to thirty-six holes, both in the medal and hole play matches, a fact which served to sustain the interest of the spectators, though it added considerably to the congestion of the grounds. The course was in spick and span order. The greens had been freshly rolled, so that in spite of the hard usage of the previous days they were fast and true. The distances of the various holes, according to Willie Kirk, the club's professional, figured as follows:

Out	247	247	345	400	425	246	196	159	317	
In	325	110	150	257	196	238	376	197	172	

Seeley and Ballou, the competitors in the final round for the President's Cup, were the conspicuous figures of the forenoon. Ballou opened by winning the first hole in 4 to 5. On the second he made a particularly clever approach shot, laying the ball dead and winning in 3 to 5. The next was halved in 5, as was also the fourth. Then came a series of mishaps. On the fifth Ballou pulled his drive from the tee into the long grass, and it cost him two to get out. Seeley banged his brassie against a tree, the ball rebounding into the brook, and he, too, had to play an extra stroke to reach the fair green. Still he had the best of it when the hole was reached, and he won at 7 to 9. Facing the sixth Seeley laid his approach within two feet of the cup, while Ballou was playing 2 more. Seeley missed his chance for a 3, but went down in 4 to Ballou's 5. On the seventh Ballou sliced his drive, but recovered on a splendid iron shot and reached the green. Seeley, however, was dead in 2, and out in 3, winning the hole at 3 to 4. They halved the eighth in 3, the bogie figure, but Seeley got the ninth at 4 to 5, leaving him 2 up.

From this point on Seeley played faultless golf. He expects to enter the National championship next month, and if he shows the same form at that time there will be some new figuring on the outcome. Turning for home he made a sizzling 15-foot put on the tenth hole, which he won in 4, one better than bogie. On the eleventh Seeley drove the green neatly, and while missing the put for 2 he was down on his next, taking the hole, 3 to 5. The 150-yard twelfth green Seeley made from the tee, while Ballou was some twenty yards short. The thirteenth was halved in 5. Seeley got the fourteenth after topping his drive, and followed it with the fifteenth in a par 4. Ballou made a mess of his approach on the next, and Seeley got that also. The seventeenth went to the Wee Burn man, and as the eighteenth was halved in 4, the morning round ended with Seeley 7 up—a lead which practically forbad the final outcome. During this half Seeley had made the phenomenal score of 36 for the last nine holes.

Starting the afternoon half, the first two holes were halved in 4 each. Then Seeley started his winning streak again, beginning with the third, which he took in a par 3. With a lead of 8 up it became only a matter of time before Ballou would be beaten, but the latter played on vigorously and was game to the last. He got the fourth in a clever 4, Seeley missing his approach put, while the fifth was halved in 6.6 The eighth and ninth went to Seeley in 4 each, and on the tenth the match ended with the score 10 up and 8 to play in Seeley's favor. The cards:

C. H. Seeley, Wee Burn.

Out	5	5	5	5	7	4	3	3	4	—41
In	4	3	3	5	4	5	5	3	4	—36—77
Out	4	4	3	7	6	4	4	4	4	—40
In	4	3	2	5	4	5	6	4	3	—35—75—152

Maturin Ballou, Apawamis:

Out	4	3	5	5	9	5	4	3	5	—43
In	5	5	4	5	5	4	6	4	4	—42—85
Out	4	4	4	5	6	5	3	5	5	—41
In	5	4	4	4	5	4	4	3	3	—36—77—162

In the Consolation contest J. G. Douglas, of Oakland, was pitted against A. D. Compton, of the Westchester Golf Club, and after a thirty-six hole match Compton won by 5 up and 4 to play. The cards:

Compton	5	4	4	6	6	6	4	3	5	—43
Douglas	5	4	6	7	5	6	3	5	6	—47
Compton	5	5	3	5	5	6	6	4	3	—42—85
Douglas	5	4	4	4	4	4	6	6	4	—44—91
Compton	5	4	4	5	6	4	5	4	4	—41
Douglas	4	5	7	5	8	4	4	4	5	—45
Compton	6	4	5	5	3	5	5	4	4	—41—82
Douglas	5	5	6	4	4	5	5	4	2	—44—89

In the open handicap, which brought the tournament to a close, Seeley was the only scratch player, yet he made both the best gross and the best net scores. Ballou tied for second place with Dwight Partridge, a little thirteen-year-old stripling of the Bedford Golf Club, who made the creditable gross score of 176. The summary:

	Gross.	Handicap.	Net.
C. H. Seeley, Wee Burn	152	0	152
Maturin Ballou, Apawamis	162	6	156
Dwight Partridge, Bedford	176	20	156
J. A. Janin, jr., Fox Hills	162	6	156
George C. Armstrong, Fox Hills	170	14	156
A. D. Compton, Westchester Golf	167	10	157
C. L. Cappin, Westbrook	164	6	158
G. Fox Tinker, Westchester Golf	164	8	158
W. W. Lowery, Richmond County	176	18