GEORGE S. RICE NAMED.

To Succeed W. B. Parsons—Present Title, Acting Chief Engineer.

George S. Rice, as predicted in The Tribune, is to be the new chief engineer of the Rapid Transit Commission. He will succeed William Barclay Parsons, who hereafter will be consulting engineer of the commission. The committee on contracts, consisting of President Orr, Controller Grout and Cheries Stewart Smith, at a special meeting yesterday afternoon, unanimously decided to recommend to the commission on Thursday that Mr. Rice be appointed acting chief engineer. It is understood that the probationary period, during which Mr. Rice's title will be acting chief engineer, will not last long, and that by the time further important new subway work is started he will be the actual chief engineer. Chief Engineer Parsons received $15,000 a year.

GEORGE S. RICE.
Who has been appointed acting chief engineer by the Rapid Transit Commission.

Mr. Rice received the hearty congratulations of his office associates yesterday afternoon on the honor conferred on him. His work will not be radically different from that which he has been doing right along. He has been doing more and more of the work which used to engage the time of Mr. Parsons, and the two engineers have worked in harmony on all important propositions.

George S. Rice was first employed by the city of New-York in 1887 as the deputy chief engineer of the Aqueduct Commission. He came to the Aqueduct Commission after having had about eighteen years' experience in general engineering, and was well recommended for the place of deputy chief engineer. In 1888 Mr. Rice was made a Civil Service examiner for the Aqueduct Board by Mayor Grant, continuing in that office until he resigned as deputy chief engineer.

During Mr. Rice's activity as deputy chief engineer of the Aqueduct Commission he discovered defective work and took a prominent part in rebuilding the aqueduct work according to contract and specifications.

The Aqueduct Board placed Mr. Rice in direct charge of remedying the work, the Mayor at that time being Abram S. Hewitt. Mr. Rice occupied the place of deputy chief engineer until 1891, when he was made chief engineer of the Boston Transit Commission. The preliminary studies of the Boston rapid transit work were made by him.

In 1895 the rapid transit work performed by Mr. Rice attracted the attention of Mr. Parsons, and the greater part of the year 1895 was spent in working out with Mr. Parsons the original schemes for rapid transit for this city.

At that time, 1895, Mr. Parsons expressed the desire that Mr. Rice assist him in the conduct of the rapid transit work, and in 1900 Mr. Rice was appointed deputy chief engineer. Since that time, during the absence of Mr. Parsons, Mr. Rice has acted as chief engineer, having, in fact, been in direct charge of the rapid transit work about one-sixth of the time since 1900.

TO LET CITY BUILD PIPE GALLERIES.

The Rapid Transit Commission to Present a Bill Providing for Them.

A bill which the Rapid Transit Commission is preparing to have submitted to the next legislature will have an important bearing, if it becomes a law, on the construction of the next subway in this city. This bill, according to a statement made yesterday by Alexander E. Orr, president of the Rapid Transit Commission, will be intended to give to the commission power to decide on the construction of pipe galleries as accessories to subways.

It will be remembered that the commission strongly recommended the construction of pipe galleries in Elm-st. at the time of the construction of the subway, but the city authorities refused to furnish the money for the galleries, and the plans had to be changed. "In the bill to be presented to the legislature," Mr. Orr said yesterday, "I think we shall ask for power to build pipe galleries, just as we build the subways themselves."

It has been the contention of engineers of the commission and of railway companies that pipe galleries constructed in connection with the subways would pay for themselves in a few years, and be the means of greatly increasing the city's revenues in the future. Legislation to authorize the construction of pipe galleries by the city has been opposed by the gas trust.

APPEALS FOR CHARITY.

The Charity Organization Society appeals for the following cases of need:

For $100 toward the maintenance of a family of mother and four daughters. The woman was deserted by her husband several years ago. She has defective eyesight, and the amount she earns by cleaning and washing is not enough to keep the home together. The oldest daughter, now sixteen years old, and partially blind, must be placed in an institution, while the second girl, who is strong and well, is in an industrial school and home, where her progress gives hope that in about two years she may become a wage earner and be able to help her mother.

For $50 to supply extra nurishment for a woman with three children. She is supported by her own family, being a widow and too ill to work, but she needs milk and eggs, as she is consumptive.

Any money for these cases sent to the Charity Organization Society, No. 105 East Twenty-second-st., will be publicly acknowledged.

The society acknowledges with thanks the following contributions in response to recent appeals: "Savings of Carola and her brothers," "E. F. C. P." and Miss E. V. Gains, $100 each; Dorothy and John Mortimer Schiff, "C. M. M." and Mrs. J. J. Kane, $50 each; Mr. and Mrs. Andrew C. Zabriskie, $40; M. A. Ruland, $35; "In Memory of M. L. T." and N. Witherell, $30 each; Mrs. A. Potter, $25; "J. H." "E. V. J." and "A. H. J.," $15 each; Mrs. G. S. Fraser, "A. B." "J. B. A." "Dr. J." A. A. Levi, Miss J. A. Greene and "L. T." $10 each; "D. O. T." and cash, $7 each; "M. V. H." and H. L. Bridges, $5 each; "K. T." and Mrs. W. E., $4 each; "H. M." and D. W. Hymal, $3 each; "D. D. W." and "S. E. W.," $2 each, the Rev. J. H. C. Fritz, "A. Friend," "A Sympathizer," "M." "A Working Girl," Miss A. G. DuBois and B. Tobias, $1 each, and cash, 25 cents.

MANY IDLE IN ST. LOUIS.

Natural Sequence of Closing Louisiana Purchase Exposition.

St. Louis, Dec. 20 (Special).—One of the natural sequences of the close of the World's Fair is seen in the increased number of the unemployed to be found on the streets of this city. The alluring advertisements sent out by labor bureaus and the fact that a great exposition was in progress combined to attract here large numbers of the unemployed from all parts of the country, and as a result, although business is prosperous and more building is being done in the city than ever before, the labor market has been flooded, and hundreds of idle men are stranded here.

The high wages paid skilled labor previous to and during the exposition proved a strong drawing card for that class. Carpenters who were earning 25 cents an hour in small towns learned that they could get 45 cents here, and plasterers making $3 a day preferred to come where they could make $6. They obtained temporary employment, but have since been thrown out. The destitution is, however, chiefly among the unskilled workers, and most of them are worthy, as the tramp element has to a large extent left the city in search of a better stamping ground.

A pathetic phase of the situation is the position in which large numbers of young girls and women find themselves at the close of the fair. Lured by the fascinating attractions of the great show, they flocked here with the idea of combining pleasure and profit. They secured employment in various capacities connected with the exposition, and, having little thought of the winter months to follow, spent money as fast as they made it. They now face serious conditions with empty purses and no means of livelihood. A number of philanthropic organizations have opened employment bureaus for these unfortunates and are endeavoring to protect them as far as possible and assist them in securing work.

"We expect a hard winter among the poor of the city," said Major A. E. Kimball, of the Salvation Army, in speaking of the general situation. "There is about double the usual amount of destitution. Thousands who were out of work came here during the summer and fall, believing that it would be an easy matter to find employment, but they were disappointed. Many brought their families with them, some of them coming with as many as five or six children and scarcely enough money to last a week.

"We have been able to assist a large number, but they are still coming. Only last week a woman landed here with five small children to care for and only $2 to her name. We gave her temporary aid and sent her back to her friends."

Edwin Card, superintendent of the City Mission, stated that the demands made upon him were extraordinary.

"Since Thanksgiving I have fed on an average six hundred men every Friday night, when we serve supper for the poor, but the greatest call I have is for clothing.

"The number of boys who ran away from home and came here to see the fair is remarkable," continued Mr. Card. "They range from fourteen years up. Most of them are now anxious to return home, but cannot secure the means.

"Several cases have been brought to my attention where men holding good positions and drawing fair salaries have been led to throw them up and come here, induced by advertisements which they saw in the papers offering employment of all kinds at big pay. These men are now out of work."

DR. J. W. MARKOE HER HUSBAND.

The Former Mrs. Wetmore Married to the Well Known Physician.

It was learned yesterday that Mrs. Annette B. Markoe, who won her alimony case in the United States Supreme Court on Monday, is the wife of Dr. J. W. Markoe, the physician, of No. 12 West Fifty-fifth-st. Mrs. Markoe is the former wife of William Boerumn Wetmore. In Mr. Wetmore's case against her, the Supreme Court holds that an obligation to pay $3,000 a year alimony and $1,000 a year allowance to a wife and children is not in the nature of an ordinary debt, and therefore cannot be discharged in bankruptcy. The proceeding was instituted in 1900 in the Supreme Court by Wetmore to enjoin all proceedings to compel the payment of alimony and allowances growing out of divorce proceedings in 1892, on the ground that Wetmore had taken advantage of the bankruptcy law. The State court denied the prayer, and Monday's opinion, delivered by Justice Day, affirmed that decision.

CRUSHED BY CONCRETE IN SUBWAY.

Caulker Meets Death While at Work in Lower Broadway Shaft.

Patrick Sheridan, a caulker, of No. 518 West Forty-ninth-st., was killed instantly in the subway under lower Broadway yesterday afternoon by a falling piece of concrete weighing half a ton.

Sheridan was on his knees at work when a piece of concrete from the roadbed of the Broadway surface railroad in front of No. 135 Broadway became loosened by the jarring, and before a warning could be shouted to him the half-ton piece hit him on the back. A hurry call was sent to Hudson Street Hospital for an ambulance, but when the surgeon got there he said Sheridan was dead.

A policeman arrested John Murphy, foreman of the pipe work under the Degnon Contracting Company, who lives at No. 167 East Fifty-third-st. He was locked up, but admitted to bail last night. Coroner Brown told the police to have another foreman at the coroner's office this morning.

BATTALION CHIEF OVERTURNED.

Grey's Buggy Is Tipped Over on Way to Fire—His Driver Bruised.

In responding to an alarm of fire yesterday afternoon Battalion Chief Grey, of the 16th Battalion, with headquarters at Fiftieth-st. and Lexington-ave., was tipped out of his wagon when making a sharp turn out of the bridge which crosses the tracks of the New-York Central midway in the block between Fifty-first and Fifty-second sts. There has been a temporary bridge placed over the tracks at this point. After crossing the bridge on the west side of the tracks the roadway, on a steep incline, runs parallel with the tracks going south.

At Fifty-first-st. Chief Grey's driver, Fireman Walters, attempted to take a quick turn, but the snow and ice in the street made the buggy upset. Walters fell heavily on his shoulders and face, but except for a few bruises he was not injured. The chief escaped unhurt.

The fire was in the garage of the Worthington Automobile Company, at No. 48 East Fifty-first-st., caused by a slight explosion of gasolene. There was practically no damage.

MISSOURI PACIFIC TO REACH NORTH.

Plans for a Short Line from Kansas City to Minneapolis Through Des Moines.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Sioux City, Iowa, Dec. 20.—A Des Moines dispatch told of a coup by the Gould roads, which have acquired the Des Moines, Iowa Falls and Northern, running north from Des Moines, and are trying to reach Minneapolis and St. Paul. The St. Joseph, Albany and Des Moines has also been taken over by the Missouri Pacific.

The two roads will be completed, making a direct through short line from Kansas City and St. Joseph to the Minnesota cities through Des Moines and Iowa Falls. The line will be over four hundred miles long, of which over two hundred and fifty miles must be new construction. It will completely change the Missouri Pacific relation to the Middle Western railway situation. The Missouri Pacific has for several years been working to carry out this plan.

ARMY AND NAVY NEWS.

[FROM THE TRIBUNE BUREAU.]
Washington, December 20.

STRINGS TO BIDS.—G. W. Spearin, of New-York City, has filed a protest with the Secretary of the Navy against the holding of his certified check for $25,000, which was deposited by him with the chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks at the time he bid for the construction of the big dry-dock at the New-York Navy Yard. Mr. Spearin was unable to file bonds for the carrying out of the contract, and in that way he lost the certified check. It is held in the department that if such checks are withdrawn or their withdrawal permitted in the case of a delinquent bidder there is no need of imposing any such requirement on those who seek contracts from the department. The careless way in which the checks have been regarded in former times has led to careless bidding. Firms and individuals have bid, and then when they found it impossible to carry out the contract without loss they have obtained their checks, and the government has been put to the trouble and expense of making contracts elsewhere, or—as in the present instance—inviting bids again. It is believed the department will be benefited by the second bidding, but the firms by this is unfair to themselves, inasmuch as it exposes their bids and reduces the chances of getting a contract on a profitable basis, a condition which, it is further held, should not be ignored by the government. There are indications that the department will be able to make a contract for the construction of the Brooklyn dock at favorable rates, on account of this seceond bidding. It is not expected that the government will be obliged to do the work on the day labor plan.

VESSELS ORDERED OUT OF COMMISSION.—Orders have been issued by the Navy Department to put out of commission the cruisers San Francisco, New-Orleans and Atlanta and the gunboat Marietta. The San Francisco and the New-Orleans have been attached to the Asiatic fleet. The San Francisco will be put out of commission at the Norfolk Navy Yard and the New-Orleans at Mare Island. The Atlanta and the Marietta have been detached from the South Atlantic Squadron and ordered to the United States. The Atlanta will be put out of commission at Norfolk and the Marietta at League Island.

DECISION ON MASSACHUSETTS ACCIDENT.—Vindication for all the officers and men on the Massachusetts is contained in the report of the Board appointed by the commandant of the League Island Navy Yard to investigate the recent accident on board that vessel in which the death of several men was caused by the blowing off of a gasket. The board in its report, which was made public to-day, finds that "there is no testimony which indicates neglect of any reasonable precaution or care, or any knowledge of defects in the boiler or its appurtenances," and "that every possible effort appears to have been made to find and rescue the men caught in the fire room, and the injured received immediate and efficient care."

BUST OF GENERAL KILPATRICK.—A marble bust of Major General Judson Kilpatrick, of Civil War fame, has been placed in the reception room of the Secretary of War. That action was taken with the approval of Secretary Taft at the request of the widow of General Kilpatrick, now living at Lucerne, Switzerland, acting through Senator Elkins, of West Virginia. The bust was made many years ago, and until now has been in the custody of the family. Although the pedestal is somewhat disfigured, the bust itself is in fairly good condition.

CAPTAIN PERSHING HONORED.—Captain John J. Pershing, 15th Cavalry, has been selected by the War Department, as military attaché at Tokio, Japan, to succeed Lieutenant Colonel Wood, whose term of foreign duty has expired.

ORDERS ISSUED.—The following army and navy orders have been issued:

ARMY.

Major HENRY P. RITZIUS, retired, detailed for general recruiting service, Buffalo, relieving Lieutenant Colonel WILLIAM H. C. BOWEN, 13th Infantry, who will proceed to his regiment.

NAVY.

Lieutenant Commander F. W. KELLOGG, to navy yard, New-York.

Lieutenant A. T. CHESTER, to Hancock.

Lieutenant G. W. DANFORTH, retired, from St. Louis to home.

Paymaster V. S. JACKSON, to Isthmian Canal Commission, Washington.

MOVEMENTS OF NAVAL VESSELS.—The following movements of vessels have been reported to the Navy Department:

ARRIVED.

December 18—The Constellation, the Powhatan and the Narkeeta, at Newport.

December 19—The Missouri, at Newport News; the New-York, at Coquimbo; the Atlanta, at Barbados.

December 20—The Villalobos, at Shanghai.

SAILED.

December 18—The Sterling, from Lambert Point for Boston.

December 19—The Powhatan and the Narkeeta, from Newport for New-York; the Wasp, from Key West for Guantanamo; the Atlanta, from Barbados for Hampton Roads.

December 20—The Scorpion, from Portsmouth, N. H., for Hampton Roads.

PHILIPPINE SCOUTS COMING HERE.

To Take Part in Military Tournament at Madison Square Garden.

Washington, Dec. 20.—After the Cabinet meeting to-day, Secretary Taft announced that it had been decided that the Philippine scouts who constituted one of the features of the Philippine exhibit at the St. Louis Exposition, and who are to appear at the inauguration of President Roosevelt on March 4, should go from Washington after the inauguration to New-York, to take in the annual military tournament in Madison Square Garden. While the scouts are in New-York they probably will be quartered at Governor's Island. Soon after the tournament they will return to the Philippines by way of San Francisco. Until they come to Washington to attend the inauguration they will remain in barracks on the Fair Grounds in St. Louis.

MORE MARINES ARRIVE AT COLON.

Colon, Dec. 20.—The United States auxiliary cruiser Yankee arrived here this afternoon with 500 marines on board, to relieve the battalion which has been stationed at Empire Camp.

GEN. GRANT RETURNS TO NEW-YORK.

New-London, Conn., Dec. 20.—General F. D. Grant, commander of the Department of the East, U. S. A., after a visit to Fort H. G. Wright, on Fisher's Island; Fort Michie, on Gull Island, and Fort Terry, on Plum Island, on a tour of inspection, started for New-York to-night. General Grant was the guest of Colonel Davis, who is in command of the forts defending the eastern entrance to Long Island Sound, with headquarters at Fort Wright. General Grant expressed himself as pleased with the conditions as he found them at the island forts.

DOG SHOW IN BRONX.

St. Bernards in Force—Colonel Ruppert's Entries Winners.

The first dog show to be held in The Bronx was opened yesterday in Zeltner's Casino, Third-ave. and One-hundred-and-seventieth-st., under the auspices of the Bronx Kennel Club. The show will last until to-morrow night. Among the exhibitors are Colonel Jacob A. Ruppert, Mrs. Burke Roche, J. Blackburn Millie, of Newburg, N. Y.; Thomas Crimmins and the Willowmere Kennels, of Sound Beach, Conn. The judges are George Jarvis for sporting dogs and C. G. Hopton for all other breeds. There was a particularly fine showing of St. Bernards.

In the German dachshund class J. Blackburn Millie's Red Rival took first prize. For Dr. Morgell the French bull bitch Nino, not quite a year old, took two first prizes. The first prize for English pointers went to Christopher Jaesslie's Victor, the second being captured by Victor L. Forment's Lad, of Knowlton. Jules Ferone's Yorkshire terrier Derby King, just imported from Paris, took the first prize among the small dogs. In the Great Dane class George Beck's Bismarck took first prize. The first award for grayhounds went to William Fonderleith's Dasher. In the English bulldog class Colonel Jacob A. Ruppert's Broadmore was awarded the first prize. Colonel Ruppert also captured two first prizes with the smooth coated bitch Ruth IV.

To-day the judges will award the silver cups offered as special prizes by members of the club for dogs in the various classes. Three performances of Mme. Morrelo's troupe of trained dogs will be given in the course of the day.

A. G. VANDERBILT BUYS FOUR-IN-HAND.

Chicago, Dec. 20.—Full Dress, Rustling Silk, Sweet Marie and Polly Prim, the champion four-in-hand team of the year, are now the property of Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt. Mr. Vanderbilt made a special trip from the East to Chicago to purchase the champions, and when he left for New-York to-night all arrangements had been made for the horses to be shipped direct to his country place at Newport. The horses were purchased from J. Hobart Moore.

ATHLETICS FOR GIRLS.

To Be Started by Public School League—Four Fields Wanted.

School athletic fields for Manhattan, Brooklyn, Richmond and Queens, and a building in one of the congested districts of the city, with the roof an open air playground, and with gymnasiums and dressing rooms within—these are some of the plans proposed at the annual meeting of the Public Schools Athletic League, in the hall of the Board of Education, last evening.

The league last December held its first athletic meeting in Madison Square Garden, with fifteen hundred individual entries. In the spring games 803 boys competed and over ten thousand boys, so General George W. Wingate, the president, says, tried for places. District leagues have been organized in twenty out of twenty-three educational districts in the city which are promoting athletics in the schools. To interest as many boys as possible a bronze button will be given each schoolboy who meets certain tests in a short run, a jump and in chinning the bar. Already steps are being taken to organize a women's auxiliary of the league, which will start in to do similar work among the girls in the city's schools.

To teach the boys marksmanship, Treasurer Guggenheim of the league has had installed at a cost of $250, a "sub-target machine gun" in the High School of Commerce, and is to give three more. To increase the interest in the use of this gun, Harry Payne Whitney has given $500 for a permanent trophy to be held by the school that does the best rifle shooting.

The treasurer's report shows that the league has twenty-eight patrons, thirty-nine life and 189 annual members. It is as follows:

Total receipts to date	$9,710 39
Total disbursements to date	5,120 84
Balance to credit	$4,589 55
MONEYS RECEIVED.	
From 186 annual memberships	$2,225 00
From thirty-nine life memberships	1,050 00
From twenty-eight patrons	3,825 00
Subscriptions on account of medals, prizes, etc	135 00
Special funds donated	1,300 00
Miscellaneous receipts	475 39
	9,710 39
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Stationery, printing, office furniture, etc.	$976 87
Clerk hire	1,336 64
Securing contributions	1,333 30
Trophies, banners, etc	1,157 23
Sub-target gun machine	250 00
Rent, expressage, etc	66 80
	5,120 84
Balance	$4,589 55

The old officers were re-elected: George W. Wingate, president; Dr. John Huston Finley, first vice-president; the Rev. Dr. W. S. Rainsford, second vice-president; Monsignor Lavelle, third vice-president; S. R. Guggenheim, treasurer, and Dr. Luther Halsey Gulick, secretary.

City Superintendent Maxwell praised the work of the league, and told of 160 acres in Queens set aside for a truant school and farm, part of which, he said, might be available for an athletic field. A committee was appointed to confer with the Board of Education to see what could be done about getting the use of it for the league. Trophies won by the members of the league were on exhibition, including the big intercity cup, won by New-York schoolboys at St. Louis.

RACE FOR TELESCOPE.

High Wind the Other Winning Favorite at New-Orleans.

New-Orleans, Dec. 20.—Telescope and High Wind were the only winning favorites to-day. The card was ordinary and the sport rather tame. The weather was clear and the track good. The summary:

First race (four furlongs)—Antimony, 112 (H. Phillips), 7 to 2, won; Balance All, 102 (Romanelli), 30 to 1, second; Mrs. Bab, 102 (Fisher), 30 to 1, third. Time, 0:49⅘. Ethel's Pride, Lady Consuelo, Overture, Long Days, Dancing Nun, Bisque, Fair Calypso, Miss Hazy and Diamond Betty also ran.

Second race (five furlongs)—Telescope, 104 (J. Martin), 2 to 5, won; Mayor Johnson, 99 (Nicol), 11 to 2, second; Frontenac, 102 (W. Robbins), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:01⅘. Julia Junkin, Mary McCafferty, St. Tammany, Hudson and Onyx also ran.

Third race (seven furlongs)—High Wind, 110 (Gannon), 8 to 5, won; Tern's Rod, 87 (E. Rice), 13 to 5, second; John Doyle, 103 (J. Martin), 25 to 1, third. Time, 1:29⅘. Sis Lee, Shogun, Jungle Imp, Montebank and Miss Nannie L. also ran.

Fourth race (one and one-sixteenth miles)—Little Boy, 104½ (H. Phillips), 9 to 2, won; Arachne, 102 (McCafferty), 15 to 1, second; Always Faithful, 89 (Ryan), 60 to 1, third. Time, 1:53⅘. Reveille, Federal, Ernest Parham, Lee King, Custus and Pyrrho also ran.

Fifth race (one and one-half miles)—Lord Tennyson, 85 (E. Rice), 10 to 1, won; Brooklyn, 98 (Nicol), 10 to 1, second; Cataline, 88 (Aubuchon), 3 to 1, third. Time, 2:40. Little Elkin, George Vivian, Hymettus, Semper Vivax and Winesap also ran.

Sixth race (five and one-half furlongs)—Kilties, 102 (Brennan), 30 to 1, won; Escutcheon, 105 (J. Martin), 3 to 5, second; Annie Alone, 92 (J. Hennessy), 40 to 1, third. Time, 1:08. Norwood Ohio, Sponge Cake, Inspector Halpin, Ranger, Kilts, Russell A. and Miss Susie also ran.

OAKLAND HANDICAP FOR MANSARD.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—First race (seven furlongs)—The Cure, 108 (Larsen), 9 to 5, won; The Gadfly, 93 (Bonner), 4 to 1, second; Flora I, 104 (McBride), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:27⅘. Revolt, Karabel, Duke of Richelieu, Tannhäuser, Jerusha and Mary Pepper also ran.

Second race (six furlongs)—Nocorito, 104 (McBride), 10 to 1, won; Sol Lichtenstein, 109 (Helgesen), 5 to 2, second; Belle Reed, 107 (Sherwood), 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:13⅘. W. R. Condon, Redan, Frank Pierce and Maud Muller also ran.

Third race (one mile and seventy yards)—Follow Me, 107 (Larsen), 10 to 1, won; Stilicho, 104 (Travers), 7 to 5, second; Scotsman, 104 (Greenfield), 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:45. Major Tenny, Flaunt, The Ledean, Lady Kent and Fille d'Or also ran.

Fourth race (handicap; six and one-half furlongs)—Mansard, 109 (Helgesen), 3 to 5, won; Venator, 106 (Travers), 6 to 1, second; Albula, 97 (Greenfield), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:19¼. Vesuvian, Judge and Last Knight also ran.

Fifth race (Futurity course)—Sea Air, 100 (McBride), 6 to 1, won; Dr. Leggo, 105 (Bonner), 9 to 5, second; Smithy Kane, 102 (Kunz), 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:10. Lindsey Gordon, Ruby, Yada, Platt, A. Muskoday, Indicate, Lady Goodrich, Prince Brutus and Identical also ran.

Sixth race (selling; one and one-sixteenth miles)—San Nicholas, 102 (Travers), 9 to 5, won; Nigrette, 100 (Davis), 6 to 1, second; Leila, 96 (Greenfield), 6 to 5, third. Time, 1:46. Nigrette finished first but was set back for fouling. Oro Viva and Colonel Anderson also ran.

DIAMANTE FIRST AT ASCOT PARK.

Los Angeles, Dec. 20.—Diamante, from a position behind a field of seven, made the fastest finish ever seen on the local track, and won the last race at Ascot to-day from Heather Honey, the favorite, which had a lead of two lengths over the field at the head of the stretch. Diamante was 4 to 1 in the betting, and was well played. The weather was clear and the track fast. The summary:

First race (five furlongs)—Pacifico, 115 (Hildebrand), 1 to 2, won; Vevel, 112 (Kent), 15 to 1, second; Crown Princess, 112 (Wood), 50 to 1, third. Time, 1:02¼. Fer de Lance, St. Dixie, Del Coronado, Lady Wilt, Whitestone, Salario, Retador, Cholk Hedrick, C. F. Waterhouse, Sinicado and Aurora also ran.

Second race (Slauson course)—Edinborough, 108 (H. Smith), 11 to 5, won; Nanon, 105 (J. Howell), 6 to 1, second; El Verraco, 102 (Treubel), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:11. Trovator, Merry Sport, Graylatte, Chief Aloha and Sir Christopher also ran.

Third race (hurdles; one and one-quarter miles)—Sceptre, 130 (Russell), 12 to 1, won; Flea, 125 (Amos), 20 to 1, second; Dr. Long, 144 (Sullivan), 8 to 5, third. Time, 2:18½. Cazador, Allegiance and Mrs. Grannan also ran.

Fourth race (Slauson course)—Mad Mullah, 104 (Tooman), 9 to 10, won; Interlude, 99 (Kent), 6 to 1, second; Cerro Santa, 106 (Herbert), 9 to 2, third. Time, 1:10. Silver Heels, Happy Chappy, The Major and Durbar also ran.

Fifth race (six furlongs)—Capitanzo, 110 (Hildebrand), 2 to 5, won; Tramotor, 100 (Walsh), 6 to 1, second; Milton Young, 103 (Dugan), 9 to 2, third. Time, 1:14¼. Ralph Reese also ran.

Sixth race (one mile and a furlong)—Diamante, 103 (Treubel), 4 to 1, won; Heather Honey, 100 (McDaniel), 8 to 5, second; Merwan, 105 (Lawrence), 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:55. Jingler, Blue Ridge, Cincinnatus and William F. H also ran.

NEW-ORLEANS ENTRIES FOR TO-DAY.

First race (selling; six furlongs)—Ghats, 98; Optional, 100; Belle of Portland, 100; Laura Hunter, 103; Fleetfut, 106; Chamblee, 107; Mezzo, 99; Raggerly, 100; Unmasked, 100; Lady Draper, 103; J. W. O'Neill, 105; Jake Greenberg, 114.

Second race (selling; one and one-quarter miles)—Beauvaire, 89; Goldaga, 94; Burke Cockran, 99; The Way, 104; Key Note, 107; Semper Vivax, 93; Mainsring, 96; Bessie McCarthy, 101; Homestead, 105.

Third race (selling; five furlongs)—Lamplight, 108; Tarpon, 106; Halcyon Days, 108; Gasconne, 108; Mildred B., 110; Alcantara, 111; Jade, 105; Monamour, 107; Precious Band, 105; Esterre, 108; Queen Rose, 111; Swedish Lad, 111.

Fourth race (handicap; one and one-sixteenth miles)—Fruit, 87; Ram's Horn, 98; Rankin, 104; Ed Tierney, 79; Careless, 103; Garnish, 103.

Fifth race (six furlongs)—Caryota, 97; Aggie Lewis, 100; Yellowstown, 100; Lila Noel, 100; Topic, 100; Haywood, 108; Phillinch, 97; Twemlow, 100; Dusky, 100; Heritage, 100; Mimosa, 105; Magistrate, 108.

Sixth race (selling; one mile)—Circus Girl, 96; McWilliams, 101; Decoration, 101; Chanterelle, 101; Merry Acrobat, 104; Gravina, 112; Reckoner, 96; Kingstelle, 101; Royal Pirate, 101; Dr. Guernsey, 101; Barkelmore, 108; Cardinal Wolsey, 114.

BRITT WINS FIGHT.

Takes Honors from "Battling" Nelson in Fast Ring Battle.

San Francisco, Dec. 20.—"Jimmy" Britt got the decision over "Battling" Nelson in a twenty-round bout here to-night. The contest was one of the fastest ever seen here, and each received and gave plenty of punishment. Neither man scored a knockdown, although both men slipped to the floor in their efforts to land telling blows. Nelson had his nose damaged in the middle of the contest and Britt kept pegging at it to the end of the contest. Britt landed time and time again on Nelson's jaw, but most of the blows did not seem to feaze the Dane.

Britt had all the better of the first round. Nelson did not land a blow. Britt got in a hard right on the heart and a left on the stomach in this round. There was not much damage done to either man in the following round, but Nelson managed to get in a few good blows. After Britt missed several rights and lefts for the body, a right to the body and a left to the jaw dazed the Dane, and a terrific right to the jaw rocked Nelson's head just before the end of the round.

In the fourth Britt set Nelson's head rocking again with a left to the jaw. Britt was showing much cleverness, and ducked some dangerous looking blows. The fifth round opened with Britt missing a body blow. Nelson forced his opponent to the ropes, but failed to land. Later he got in a hard right to the body and a left to the jaw. Britt got in two good body blows as the gong rang.

In the sixth Britt landed many blows on his rival's body and jaw, but the latter took them without flinching. A tremendous blow for the body was missed by Nelson. The fight was easily Britt's up to this stage. At the opening of the seventh Britt hooked Nelson's head with a vicious right swing to the jaw, and a left uppercut for the jaw was blocked. Britt got in several hard rights to the jaw and left to the body before the round closed. Nelson seemed to be unable to land telling ly on his opponent.

Near the close of the eighth round Nelson got in a right and left to the jaw, and a furious rally ensued, in which Nelson sent Britt back with a right swing to the jaw. Britt retaliated with several jabs, and in trying to send a vicious swing Nelson slipped to the floor. It was slightly Nelson's round.

Nelson fought aggressively in the ninth, and the round ended on even terms. Britt went to his corner looking worried. In the tenth Nelson got Britt in a corner and landed a choppy right on the jaw, which evidently hurt Britt, and again sent his right and left to body, sending Britt to the ropes. It was Nelson's round. Britt had a slight advantage in the eleventh round, although both boys fought fast. Nelson's lorfing in seemed to puzzle the Californian.

Nelson continued to bore in through the twelfth round. Britt drove a wicket right uppercut to the jaw, but the blow was returned. Nelson then sent three rights to the face. Britt recovered quickly and rained a number of blows on the Dane's body and jaw. Nelson fought back desperately and planted two lefts to Britt's face. A terrible right swing to the jaw seemed to tell on Nelson. He went to his corner with the blood flowing from his nose.

Nelson again slipped to the floor in the thirteenth. Britt varied his hook with left hook to body. In the next the Californian was hissed for what looked like holding. In the sixteenth, after Britt had worked himself into a weak state, Nelson went at him hammer and tongs. Britt got in some more tremendous blows on Nelson in the nineteenth round. In the last round Nelson tried his utmost at the start to finish matters. In a clinch the referee had his hands full separating the belligerents. Britt then sent Nelson's head back with a left hook, and followed it with a left swing on the jaw. Then Britt once more hooked his left to jaw, and followed it with two right swings and a left hook to the face.

A challenge was read from Jabez White, of England, at 133 pounds, ringside. "Jimmy" Gardner also sent a challenge to the winner. When "Young Corbett" entered the ring and issued a challenge he was tremendously cheered. A message was also read from "Al" Herford, manager of "Joe" Gans, offering to match the colored man with the winner.

COLLEGE CHESS TEAMS NAMED.

Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton Meet Here To-day.

Teams for the thirteenth annual intercollegiate chess tournament, opening at the rooms of the West Side Republican Club to-day, were announced yesterday as follows:

Columbia—G. W. Tucker, jr., Joseph Tolins, Louis P. Wolff and John D. Van Buren. Substitutes—Abraham Lazinsk and Otto Brown.

Harvard—P. W. Bridgman, S. W. Howland, G. T. McClure and Q. A. Brackett. Substitutes—K. S. Johnston and L. D. Granger.

Yale—William N. Woodbury, Charles P. Kimball, Arthur S. Jameson and Clifford H. Owen. Substitutes—Harold E. Dimock and Harold W. Headley.

Princeton—Stanley F. Nelson, Theodore C. Mowry, Waldron M. Ward and Charles Williams. Substitutes—Harold C. Richard and Roger Hinds.

The order for the play of the three days of the tournament has been arranged as follows:

First day—Columbia vs. Yale and Harvard vs. Princeton.

Second day—Columbia vs. Princeton and Harvard vs. Yale.

Third day—Columbia vs. Harvard and Yale vs. Princeton.

The director of play is Charles Curt; referees, H. Helms and C. S. Howell.

BALTIMORE WANTS AMERICAN CLUB.

Eastern League Franchise May Be Transferred to Washington.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

Baltimore, Dec. 20.—Manager Hanlon has determined to place one of the big league teams in Baltimore next season, and has begun negotiations for the purchase of the Washington American League club. The plan is to transfer the Eastern League franchise now held by Baltimore to Washington. At present there is a difference of $27,000 standing in the way of the completion of the deal. The Hanlon and Frank interests have offered $48,000 for the franchise, players and grounds now the property of what is left of the Washington organization. President Johnson, representing the American League, in whose hands the Washington effects are vested, places the selling price at $75,000. T. C. Noyes, secretary of Washington club, said to-day that he knew nothing of a deal, but as such business would be conducted with President Johnson the latter might keep it to himself until the transaction was completed.

NAVY CHALLENGES COLUMBIA.

Intercollegiate Regatta at Poughkeepsie To Be Rowed July 1.

A challenge has been issued by the United States Naval Academy, at Annapolis, to Columbia University, for a race between the Annapolis crew and Columbia's second 'varsity, to take place at Annapolis on May 20. It is proposed also that the Columbia freshmen race the second navy crew on the same day. Columbia has also been invited to send a crew to Ithaca to race the second 'varsity crews of Cornell and Harvard on Memorial Day. It has practically been decided to accept the invitation of the Naval Academy for both second 'varsity and freshman races, and not to row at Ithaca.

The intercollegiate race at Poughkeepsie has been set for July 1, instead of June 28, as it was last year.

WILL USE THAT NEW-ORLEANS TRACK.

So Edward Corrigan Says—Doesn't Wish Turf War, Though.

[BY TELEGRAPH TO THE TRIBUNE.]

New-Orleans, Dec. 20.—"It is entirely too late for any talk of the Crescent City Jockey Club buying stock in the New-Orleans Jockey Club," said Edward Corrigan, on his arrival here to-day. "They cannot buy a share of stock," he went on. "It is not for sale to any one. Our track will be finished here within fifteen days, and we intend to see that it is used. We do not want to have a turf war, and are willing to do anything in reason to avoid one, but the kind of management which the Western Jockey Club is getting at the present time will have to come to an end or there will be trouble. Everything now depends on the action which the Western Jockey Club takes at the special meeting which is to be held as to whether there will be peace or war. There will be racing this spring at the new track of the New-Orleans Jockey Club."

Mr. Corrigan will remain here for several days looking over the new property.

WANDERERS' ROUGH WORK

Win from N. Y. A. C. Hockey Seven—Score, 3 to 1.

The Wanderers hockey team, the winners of the championship last season, met the New-York Athletic Club team in the opening contest of this year's championship at the St. Nicholas Rink last evening, and, as was expected, was victorious. The score was 3 to 1. Some of the Wanderers gave as unseemly an exhibition of rough work as has been seen at the rink for many a day. The offenders were Howard and Clark. Howard was ruled off for a few minutes in the second half, but how William Dobby, the referee, could allow Clark to go the game without se