THE WORLD OF SPORTS

BROWN PLAYERS BRAINY

TAKE LEAD AT CHESS.

Cornell Loses Two Games in Tri-Collegiate Tournament.

The second round in the annual tournament of the triangular college chess league between two students each from Brown, Cornell and Pennsylvania was played in the chess room at Villa Julia, the home of Professor Isaac L. Rice, president of the league, yesterday morning and afternoon. Brown won two games and took the lead with three victories and one defeat. Pennsylvania is second, with two games won and two lost, while Cornell, by losing two games yesterday, brings up the rear. The pairings, openings and results in the second round were:

First board—Hughes, Pennsylvania, beat Guenther, Cornell, in an irregular opening. Second board—Sweet, Brown, beat Smith, Pennsylvania, in a Petroff's Defence. Third board—McCoy, Brown, beat Black, Cornell, in a Ruy Lopez.

The first game decided was that between McCoy and Black on the third board. The latter failed to take advantage of a winning continuation by accepting a piece which was unsoundly offered for sacrifice, and later on got into trouble and resigned after thirty-three moves.

Sweet got much the better position on the second board against Smith, who was totally outplayed in the opening and middle game stage. Eventually he lost the exchange, and Sweet did not experience great difficulties in earning a winning position. Smith struggled along in hopeless difficulties to the fiftieth move, when he resigned.

Hughes won a well deserved victory after fifty-seven moves on the first board against Guenther. He won a pawn in the opening stage, but the Cornell player made such a brave fight that his chances looked bright for a draw at least in the end game. Hughes evolved a brilliant combination, however, and Guenther was forced to resign. The standing to date follows:

BROWN.	Won.	Lost.
McCoy	2	0
Sweet	1	1
Total	3	1
PENNSYLVANIA.		
Hughes	2	0
Smith	0	2
Total	2	2
CORNELL.		
Guenther	0	2
Black	1	1
Total	1	3

The third round will be played to-day in the following order: Black, Cornell, vs. Hughes, Pennsylvania; Sweet, Brown, vs. Guenther, Cornell, and Smith, Pennsylvania, vs. McCoy, Brown.

The games in detail follow:

SECOND ROUND—RUY LOPEZ.

M'COY. BROWN. White.	BLACK. CORNELL. Black.	M'COY. BROWN. White.	BLACK. CORNELL. Black.
1. P—K 4	P—K 4	18. Q—K B 4	Q—B
2. Kt—K B 3	Kt—Q B 3	19. R—B 3	P—K R 3
3. B—Kt 5	Kt—B 3	20. B x P	P—Kt 3
4. Castles.	Kt x P	21. B x B	Q x P
5. P—Q 4	B—K 2	22. Q—R 6	Q x K P
6. Q—K 2	Kt—Q 3	23. R—R 3	B—B
7. B x Kt	Kt P x B	24. B—B 5	Q—Kt 2
8. P x P	Kt—Kt 2	25. B—Q 4	Q x Q
9. Kt—B 3	Castles	26. R x Q	K—B
10. B—K 3	P—Q 4	27. R—R 8 (ch)	K—K 2
11. Q R—Q	Kt—B 4	28. R—K (ch)	B—K 3
12. Kt—Q 4	Q—Q 2	29. R—R 7	R—Q Kt
13. Q—Q 2	R—K	30. Kt—R 4	K—Q
14. P—B 4	Kt—K 3	31. Kt—B 5	B—Q 2
15. P—B 5	Kt x Kt	32. B—B 6 (ch)	K—B
16. Q x Kt	B—B	33. R—R (ch)	Resigns.
17. B—Kt 5	B—Kt 2		

SECOND ROUND—PETROFF'S DEFENCE.

SWEET. Brown. White.	SMITH. Pennsylvania. Black.	SWEET. Brown. White.	SMITH. Pennsylvania. Black.
1. P—K 4	P—K 4	26. Q—Kt 3	R—K Kt
2. Kt—K B 3	Kt—K B 3	27. P—B 5	Kt—B
3. Kt x P	P—Q 3	28. Q—R 3	P—B 3
4. Kt—K B 3	Kt x P	29. P—Q Kt 4	B—Kt 5
5. P—Q 4	P—Q 4	30. P—K 6	Kt—R 2
6. B—Q 3	B—K 2	31. Q—R 4	Q—Kt 2
7. Castles.	Kt—K B 3	32. B—B 4	B—B 2
8. R—K	Castles	33. R—K 3	Q—Kt
9. Q Kt—Q 2	P—B 3	34. B x B	Q x B
10. Kt—B	Q Kt—Q 2	35. Q—Q 4	Q—Kt 3
11. P—K 3	R—K	36. P—K R 4	R—Kt
12. Q—B 2	Kt—B	37. B—Q 2	R (Kt)—Kt 2
13. Kt—Kt 3	B—K 3	38. B—R 5	Q—B 2
14. Kt—K 5	Q—B 2	39. R—K B	Q—Q 3
15. B—Q 2	B—Q 3	40. R (K B)—B 3	Q—Q
16. B—K 2	K K Kt—Q 2	41. R—Kt 3	Q—K B
17. R—K	Kt x Kt	42. B—B 7	R x B
18. P x Kt	B—Q B 4	43. P x R	R x P
19. K—R	P—K R 3	44. R—K 6	R—K 2
20. Kt—B 5	B x Kt	45. R (Kt3)—K3	R x R
21. B x B	K—R	46. P x R	Q—K 2
22. P—K B 4	R—K 2	47. Q—B 5	Q x Q
23. Q—Q 3	Q R—K	48. P x Q	P—B 4
24. Q—B 3	Kt—R 2	49. P—K 7	K—Kt 3
25. B—B 2	P—Q Kt 4	50. P—K8(Q)(ch)	Resigns.

SECOND ROUND—IRREGULAR OPENING.

Hughes. Pennsylvania. White.	Gunther. Cornell. Black.	Hughes. Pennsylvania. White.	Gunther. Cornell. Black.
1. P—K B 4	P—Q 4	30. R—Kt 3 (ch)	K—B 3
2. Kt—K B 3	P—Q B 4	31. R—R 6 (ch)	K—K 2
3. P—K 3	Kt—Q B 3	32. K—B 2	B—Kt 5
4. P—Q Kt 3	P—K 3	33. K—K 2	B x B
5. B—Kt 2	Kt—K B 3	34. R x B	R x P
6. P—Q R 3	B—K 2	35. R x R	K x R
7. B—Q 3	P—Q Kt 3	36. R—R 8 (ch)	K—K 2
8. Kt—Q B 3	P—Q 5	37. R—Q R 8	R—B 3
9. B—Kt 5	B—Q 2	38. R—R 7 (ch)	K—B 3
10. P x P	Kt x P	39. R—Q 7	K—Kt 3
11. B—Q 5	B—B 3	40. R—Q 3	P—B 3
12. Kt—K 5	P—Q R 3	41. R—Q B 3	R—Q 3
13. Castles	Castles	42. K—K 3	P—K 4
14. Kt—K 2	Kt x Kt (ch)	43. P—Q 3	R—K 3
15. Q x Kt	B—Kt 2	44. P—K R 3	R—Q 3
16. K R—K	R—K	45. P—Kt 3	R—K 3
17. Q—B 2	P—B 5	46. R—B 5	P x P (ch)
18. Kt x P	B—B 4	47. K x P	R—Q 3
19. Kt—K 3	B x Kt	48. R—B 3	P—Kt 5
20. R x B	R—K B	49. P x P	R—Q 5 (ch)
21. Q—R 4	P—R 3	50. K—K 3	R x P
22. R—Kt 3	K—R	51. P—Q 4	P—R 4
23. R—R 3	R—B 4	52. R—Q 3	K—B 2
24. P x Kt	Q x B	53. K—B 4	K—K 3
25. Q x Q	P x Q	54. P—R 4	P x R 5
26. R x P (ch)	K—Kt 2	55. P x P	R x P
27. R—R 4	P—B 4	56. P—R 5	K—B 2
28. R—K	P—Q Kt 4	57. K x P	Resigns.
29. R—K 8	R—Q		

FIRST MOVE TO NEW CLUBHOUSE.

Jefferson Seligman Chairman of Sign Post Committee of Auto Club.

S. M. Butler, secretary of the Automobile Club of America, announced yesterday that the executive offices of the club will be removed on Monday to the new clubhouse in 54th street, west of Broadway, where the business of the club will be transacted. The telephone number is 7000 Columbus.

The new building will not be open for the use of members until its final completion, due notice of which will be given. The temporary quarters at No. 703 Fifth avenue will be discontinued after December 31.

Mr. Butler also announced the appointment of Jefferson Seligman, chairman of the sign post committee, for the ensuing year. Touring members who may note the desirability or necessity of placing directing signs on the road in various localities are requested to communicate such information to Mr. Seligman for action by his committee.

GOLF TOURNAMENTS AT LAKEWOOD.

S. K. De Forest, chairman of the greens committee of the Lakewood Country Club, has announced an all-day open handicap golf tournament, at eighteen holes, over the club links at Lakewood to-morrow. An open handicap will also be held on New Year's Day. Cups will be offered for the best gross and net scores. Post entries will be received.

NEWARK BAY HOLDS LEAD

Three Series Rolled in the Athletic Bowling League.

Three series were bowled in the Athletic Bowling League last night. Passaic, the tailenders in the championship race, won two out of three games from Newark Bay, the league leaders, but did not force the team from top place. The New York Athletic Club five improved its standing slightly by taking two out of three games from Columbia, while Roseville tied with Jersey City for second place by winning the odd game from the Elizabeth club.

The scoring was on the low side in the Newark Bay-Passaic series, but the games were close and hard fought. Passaic won the first game by a margin of two pins, and the third by forty-six pins, thanks to a 228 by Olsen. Newark Bay earned the second game, Griffith helping matters with 234, top score of the night.

Willard, of Passaic, injured his middle finger in the second game and Harper was substituted.

NEWARK BAY.				PASSAIC.			
Griffith	187	234	155	Seabrook	174	169	163
Woodward	154	159	163	Refferts	144	167	190
Jaeger	134	207	186	Willard	156	161	—
Terry	155	187	150	Harper	—	—	149
Vreeland	190	170	167	Elston	177	188	137
				Olsen	171	174	228
Totals	820	948	821	Totals	822	859	867

The New York Athletic Club team visited the Columbia alleys and won the odd game after losing the first by the narrow margin of 15 pins, and this in spite of a 215 total by Sherwood. Arnold and Clute were not at their best in this game, but they made up for it with better totals in the other games. The scores follow:

NEW YORK A. C.				COLUMBIA.			
Beam	167	149	170	Ross	191	172	165
Sherwood	215	179	178	Kimball	165	149	123
Klingelhoffer	191	149	204	Hartzel	172	178	164
Arnold	141	171	215	Huesman	162	168	162
Clute	137	155	189	Keller	177	135	215
Totals	851	803	956	Totals	866	798	829

Roseville made a new high total of 1,028 in winning the odd game from Elizabeth. It was in the second game bowled. Van Ness made 232, while Olozaga and Pierson were both over the 200 mark. Elizabeth won the first game with 950 to 919, but could not hold the pace, and Roseville took the next two games easily. The scores follow:

ROSEVILLE.				ELIZABETH.			
Meyer	187	191	221	Nolte	212	183	154
Olozaga	194	219	173	A. West	194	163	144
Woods	191	185	164	R. West	180	157	147
Van Ness	166	232	232	Clauss	198	185	209
Pierson	181	201	166	Pope	166	205	215
Totals	919	1,028	956	Totals	950	843	869

The standing of the clubs, with high scores, follows:

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	High scores.
Newark Bay	8	4	958
Jersey City	7	5	1,020
Roseville	7	5	1,028
Elizabeth	6	6	989
New York Athletic Club	6	7	992
Columbia	5	7	970
Passaic	5	7	939
Montclair	4	8	845

JACK MARTIN SUSPENDED.

Set Down for Rough Riding—Six Favorites Defeated.

New Orleans, Dec. 27.—Jack Martin, the jockey, was suspended for three days for rough and foul riding in the fifth race at the Fair Grounds track to-day, and his mount, Belle Strome, which finished second, was disqualified.

Frontenac made the early running, but Belle Strome, the favorite, challenged in the stretch and interfered with him so badly that he fell back beaten. Belle Strome then appeared to be winning, but Phil Finch closed with a rush and got up in time to win by a head.

Six favorites went down to defeat, and Garner failed to ride a winner, so that the majority of those present went home in ill humor. The slaughter of the choices began in the first race, when Chase, at even money, was beaten by Western, a 6 to 1 shot. The latter came from far back in the stretch, to win by a neck. The other beaten favorites were Posing, Tudor, St. Valentine, Belle Strome and Orly II.

Judge Post and Phil Finch were heavily played by a wise few, and these profited well, as both won. The chief surprise of the day came in the victory of Terris Rod in the last race, at 15 to 1. The summaries follow:

First race (six furlongs)—Western, 98 (Lloyd), 6 to 1, won; Chase, 107 (Garner), even, second; Zick Abrams, 101 (L. Smith), 50 to 1, third. Time, 1:14⅘. Lady Vimont, Demo, Imperlinence, Royal Bond, Captain MacCormick, Malta, Kaiserhoff, Mazie O'Neill and Malaio also ran.

Second race (five and a half furlongs)—French Nun, 101 (Lloyd), 8 to 1, won; Babe B., 101 (Martin), 15 to 1, second; Tichimingo, 106 (Garner), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:07⅘. Muffins, Gold Bearer, Oasis, Abjure, Posing, Miss Ferris, Come On Sam, Hocus Pocus and Great also ran.

Third race (New Year's Preliminary, seven furlongs)—Judge Post, 102 (J. Hennessy), 3 to 1, won; Beau Brummel, 102 (Garner), 5 to 2, second; Voting 102 (Mountain), 30 to 1, third. Time, 1:27⅘. Lucie Marie, De Oro, Tudor, Pompadour and Paragon also ran.

Fourth race (handicap, one mile)—Orbicular, 101 (Mountain), 3 to 1, won; Minnie Adams, 113 (Nicol), 16 to 5, second; St. Valentine, 114 (Garner), 11 to 5, third. Time, 1:39⅘. Pride of Woodstock, Juggler and Debar also ran.

Fifth race (six furlongs)—Phil Finch, 111 (Warren), 5 to 1, won; Lady Vashti, 106 (Hennessy), 4 to 1, second; Calabash, 105 (Rice), 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:13⅘. Frontenac, Paul Clifford, Mafalda, Trepca, Sidney F. and Belle Strome also ran.

Belle Strome was disqualified for fouling.

Sixth race (one mile and a sixteenth)—Terns Rod, 102 (Bilac), 15 to 1, won; Huntington, 101 (Trueman), 10 to 1, second; Merry Pioneer, 109 (Austen), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:47⅘. Footlights Favorite, Doelie, Iole, Mollie, King Ellsworth, Bulwark, Bellindian, Orly II and Lemon Girl also ran.

PROFESSIONAL FOOTBALL TROUBLES.

Stevenson Trying Hard to Collect Salary for Playing at Canton.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Canton, Ohio, Dec. 27.—Stevenson, the star quarterback at the University of Pennsylvania a year ago, who started out with the Canton professional football team this fall, is here trying to collect the salary that his contract is said to call for. Stevenson says he signed a contract which called for $1,200. Of this amount he has received $100.

"Bloody" Wallace is also here waiting for his suit for $25,000 against Massillon to come up. Professional football was not a success in any way here or at Massillon last fall. Both teams went badly in debt and the salaries of many of the players have not been paid. The games that were played were so brutal that at times the spectators hissed both the teams.

SKATING RACES AT VERONA LAKE.

Montclair, N. J., Dec. 27 (Special).—A set of ice skating races will be held at Verona Lake on New Year's Day. It is expected that most of the prominent amateur flyers in this vicinity will compete. Should the weather prove unfavorable or the ice poor, the meet will be held on the following Saturday, January 5.

A three days' ice skating carnival will take place at Saranac Lake on January 28, 29 and 30, at which there will be skating races, hockey matches and masked costume skating. Several skaters from the Verona Lake Skating Club will participate. The championship meet at Montreal will be held on February 2.

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BALLOON RACE PLANS

St. Louis May Be Chosen as Start of International Contest.

Only one month now remains for entries to be made for the next international balloon race for the Bennett Cup, the trophy won from Europe last year by Lieutenant Lahm, of the Aero Club of America. The club is now considering the choice for the starting place for the race—the Coupe Internationale des Aéronautes. Two prime factors have to be considered in the club's choice—quality and quantity of gas and distance of the starting point from the water.

Denver has been suggested, but the club will probably choose St. Louis. The latter city is the best situated in regard to distance from tidewater of any city yet considered, and if gas of a proper specific gravity can be had there and in sufficient quantity, it may be the starting place, not only for the race for the Bennett trophy, but also for the new Lahm cup.

For long distance balloon racing, St. Louis is peculiarly well situated. The nearest tidewater is the Gulf of Mexico, about 700 miles or 1,120 kilometres, to the south. The Atlantic Ocean, toward which the balloons probably will sail, is about 900 miles, or 1,440 kilometres, to the east, and the Pacific is some 2,300 miles, or 3,680 kilometres, to the west. To the south and north the balloons would have the broad sweep of the Mississippi Valley, while there would be little trouble under ordinary conditions in passing over any part of the Appalachian Range on an easterly drift.

The contest probably will be held in October, after the September gales have blown themselves out and there is the greatest likelihood of strong, steady winds from the west.

Foreign clubs in the Fédération Aéronautique Internationale will have little trouble in getting their balloons through the Custom House. Under the present tariff laws balloons have an ad valorem tax of 45 per cent imposed, but arrangements are being made to bring the balloons into the country in bond and to facilitate their passage through the Custom House. By February 1 the list of entries will be complete, and the officials of the Aero Club believe that the number of starters will exceed that in the race at Paris last summer.

Besides the James Gordon Bennett Cup there is also the Lahm Aeronautic Cup to be contested for. This is a challenge cup open to aerostats, aeronauts and aeronefs for the longest continuous trip made in the United States. The first winner must exceed 648 kilometres (402.64 miles) to gain possession of the cup. The distance will be measured in a straight line from point of ascent to point of descent, the latter to be properly certified to by witnesses.

The Aero Club of America—the winner of the biggest balloon event of the year—started only a year ago without a balloon. Now it owns two club balloons, the Orient and Le Centaure, the latter being the one in which the Comte de la Vaulx established the present long distance record. Among the private balloons are Dr. Thomas's Nirvana, Alfred N. Chandler's Initial, Lieutenant Lahm's United States, three balloons belonging to A. Leo Stevens, You and I, Sky Lark and Grand Air, and also his Klondike, which has the huge capacity of 90,000 cubic feet.

In addition to the gas bags are the aeroplanes and dirigible balloons owned by A. Leo Stevens, Edward C. Boyce, Captain Thomas S. Baldwin, Roy Knabeshue, Miss E. L. Todd, Israel Ludlow and Dr. Thomas. Most of these were shown at the club's exhibit in conjunction with the recent automobile show.

Only two accidents of serious moment marred the record of the first year of enthusiastic aeronautics in this country, and neither of them was a club event. Paul Nocquet made a successful trip out to sea in Lapazzi's parachute balloon and came back to die later from exhaustion in the South Bay marshes, after a successful landing. Late in the spring Israel Ludlow dropped to the Ormond beach with his aeroplane and still goes out in a wheeled chair as the result.

On New Year's Day the Aero Club will move to new quarters in the Flatiron Building. Arrangements are being made, however, to procure permanent quarters elsewhere.

In the last few months several new prizes for various kinds of aeronautical contests have been offered. Among them are "The London Daily Mail's" prize of $50,000 to the first aeronaut to fly from London to Manchester in twenty-four hours. The others are:

The Car, $2,625 for longest distance flown in the United Kingdom without touching the ground by any self-propelled machine heavier than air during any year, beginning January 1, 1907. Lowest limit twenty-five miles. Also, $25 a mile for every mile successfully accomplished up to twenty-five miles. Prize divided between steersman and designer, apart from the engine.

The Brooklands Automobile Racing Club, $12,500 to the owner of any aeroplane which completes the circuit of the Brooklands motor course (three miles) without touching the ground, at an altitude of thirty to fifty feet. Open until December 31, 1907. Three weeks' notice must be given by competitor. Machine must cover the course in not less than eighteen minutes or at a minimum speed of ten miles per hour.

Barnum & Bailey offer $10,000 and an engagement for a flying machine.

Adams Manufacturing Company, manufacturers of the Antoinette engine, offer a $10,000 aeroplane prize, open to any combination of aeroplane and motor, providing flights are made within the next two years and that the machine is entirely British built. The competition is not restricted to the use of the Antoinette engine.

Ruinart Pere & Fils offer $2,500 to the first aeronaut to fly across the English Channel in a machine heavier than air before January 1, 1910.

The Paris "Matin" offers $50,000 to the winner of an aerial race in Paris in 1908.

The Deutsch-Archdeacon Grand Prix of $10,000 to the first aeronaut who flies a kilometer in a closed circuit has not yet been won. Open to heavier than air machines.

SUBSTITUTE GOLF.

Those Who Qualified Yesterday and Pairings for To-day.

In addition to the qualifying scores made on Wednesday in the interscholastic "substitute golf" tournament in the Wanamaker Building the following were made yesterday:

B. W. Blakeman, 96; J. Morton, 96; Joseph Kerwin, 96; A. K. Hobby, 96; N. Hayman, 99; C. A. Warner, 99; J. L. Mott, 100; A. H. Callagnan, 102; E. Engel, 102; P. R. Deschers, 102; A. Orback, 104; W. E. Untermeyer, 105; A. Pickhardt, 105; C. H. Johnson, 106; F. B. Simmons, 106; A. Eiseman, 107; H. Wise, 107; M. F. Abramson, 111; H. S. Tilton, 111; F. M. Silverstein, 112; M. Newstadt, 114; F. H. Fairweather, 117.

The list of those who qualified and the time of start for match play to-day follow:

First sixteen—10, Irwin Tracy and A. H. Callaghan; 10:03, M. Adelson and C. A. Warner; 10:06, N. Hayman and E. Engel; 10:09, A. Eiseman and J. L. Mott; 10:12, B. W. Blakeman and Joseph Kerwin; 10:15, J. F. Swackhamer and H. Bonner; 10:18, A. K. Hobby and George Richard; 10:21, William Mackey and J. Morton.

Second sixteen—10:24, A. Orback and W. W. White; 10:27, J. S. Marks and P. R. Deschere; 10:30, A. Johnen and F. B. Simmons; 10:33, A. Pickhardt and H. Wise; 10:36, W. E. Untermeyer and D. Rosenfeld; 10:39, Robert F. Shepard and C. H. Johnson; 10:42, Alfred Knopf and William W. Bardsley; 10:45, Beverly M. Eyre and P. R. Iseman.

Third sixteen—10:48, M. F. Abramson and M. Newstadt; 10:51, Fred Baruth and H. S. Tilton; 10:54, Dale S. Barton and A. Hess; 10:57, Daniel W. Howells and F. H. Fairweather; 11, B. Etler and F. M. Silverstein; 11:03, Newell Weed and J. H. Reilly; 11:06, L. J. Wyeth and Duncan M. Lasher; 11:09, Russell H. Ford and John M. Nicholson.

YACHTING NEWS AND NOTES.

The racabout yacht Firefly, which, under the ownership of G. P. Granbery, of the New Rochelle Yacht Club, won the championship of Long Island Sound for two seasons, has been sold by Macconnell Cook for M. B. Pendas, her late owner, to E. L. Woodward, of Norfolk, Va., who intends to enter her in the open races under the direction of the yachting committee of the Jamestown Exposition.

The auxiliary yawl Gladys, recently owned by L. H. Wittemore, of Fishkill Landing, N. Y., has been sold, through the same agency, to Fred Grimpe, of New London, Conn.

Charles Lane Poor, of the New York Yacht Club, who recently bought the racing sloop Weetamoe from Henry F. Lippitt, intends to use the yacht for an extended eastern cruise next summer. The Weetamoe, which was sold through Stanley M. Seaman, won ten out of the sixteen races with the Effort last season.

The board of directors of the Colonial Yacht Club have been empowered by Commodore Frank Torren to make arrangements for building a new clubhouse, in place of the one now at West 108th street. John W. Noble, fleet surgeon; C. G. McGlone and M. C. Kimball were appointed a committee to secure temporary quarters for the members. The Colonial Yacht Club's ball will be held at the Harlem Casino on January 16.

WON'T TAKE UP CHARGE

Mutual Refuses to Consider the Peabody Coercion Allegations.

The Mutual Life Policyholders' Association, a Tribune reporter learned last night, has no intention of pressing charges of coercion against President Peabody, as suggested by District Attorney Jerome. Mr. Jerome in his letter to ex-Justice Herrick, of the association's counsel, stated that if it should be the wish of Mr. Herrick or his clients to press the charge Mr. Jerome would "at this time co-operate" with them, adding that he understood the witnesses were not within Mr. Jerome's jurisdiction, but would come at Mr. Herrick's request.

Speculation was rife in insurance circles yesterday as to the meaning of Mr. Jerome's letter, in view of the fact that Thomas R. and Herbert N. Fell, two of the witnesses, were both residents of this city; that Edward Sutton, of Springfield, Mass., another witness, had made affidavits of coercion before Nathan A. Smyth, Mr. Jerome's assistant, and even made a special visit to this city at Mr. Jerome's request, to appear as complainant against Mr. Peabody.

The association understands that these men, as well as F. O. Paige, of Detroit, and Colonel Biscoe Hindman, are all willing to testify as to the alleged coercion if Mr. Jerome should wish them to do so.

The association takes the view that, as one of its members declared yesterday, "it was not organized for the suppression of crime," and that the ballots now having been cast, it has little or no interest in and no funds available for the punishment of coercion.

Representatives of the "selected fusion ticket," it is understood, take similar views. Just what are Mr. Jerome's intentions could not be learned, although it was pointed out that his refusal to investigate until after the actual election day holds good no longer.

Somewhat contrary to expectations, the grand jury handed down no New York Life indictments when it reported to Recorder Goff soon after 1 o'clock. It is understood, however, that there was at least one ballot taken on the question of indictments, although there seemed to be little indication that the grand jury was favorably disposed toward the finding of indictments in the insurance cases.

There will be another session this morning.

Lewis L. Delafield, personal counsel for George R. Perkins, again was a visitor at the Criminal Courts Building, and conferred with Mr. Jerome.

INSURANCE COUNT LONG.

Inspector Says Result May Not Be Known Until March.

One of the inspectors of election for the New York Life told a Tribune reporter yesterday that the inspectors would not be able to announce the actual results of the election in this company before March 1, 1907, at the earliest. It is expected that the count of the votes will begin this morning.

Jay E. Lawshe, chairman of the inspectors for this company, in a statement issued early in the evening, said that the time necessary to finish the count would depend on the number of simultaneous units of work and the number of clerks available.

Mr. Lawshe said that the plan the inspectors had adopted involved the distribution of the votes geographically, according to the company's classified lists of policyholders. Through a series of classifications, he said, the ballots then would fall into groups subject to challenge and official tally.

At a conference between counsel representing the various "administration" and "opposition" interests in the Mutual Life the international committee decided not to challenge the opening of envelopes to aid in the tabulation of the envelope names and addresses. The tabulation card for this company involves, apparently, the entry of more than forty distinct items.

It is expected that the tabulation will begin this morning, although the special employes made a tentative opening yesterday afternoon.

Officers and actuaries representing more than a score of life insurance companies doing business in this state, including the "Big Three," held a conference with Otto Kelsey, State Superintendent of Insurance, at No. 11 Broadway, regarding the new standard forms of insurance, as told already in The Tribune. Superintendent Kelsey announced no decision, and the conference probably will continue to-day.

The new Association of Life Insurance Presidents will meet this morning to discuss the question of the acceptance of the constitution and by-laws passed at last week's meeting.

AUTO MEN DINED.

Senator Martin Saxe Encourages Followers of Motor Vehicles.

Senator Martin Saxe was one of the chief speakers at the fourth annual dinner given by the automobile firm of Wyckoff, Church & Partridge at Reisenweber's last night.

Although the Senator began his speech by saying that he had bought a "gold brick," referring to an automobile which he had bought, he finished his talk in a manner most encouraging to all those interested in the motor vehicle. He condemned the wrongdoings of chauffeurs, especially those who use their employers' machines without permission.

"Prejudice against the automobile is dying out more each day, and they are becoming more popular," he said. "Men upstate are interested in the automobile, and we will lend our hand to the greater development of the industry."

More than two hundred persons attended the dinner. The tables were handsomely decorated with roses and smilax. "Tom" Moore, of the firm, acted as toastmaster, and his humorous remarks caused much applause. Job Hedges, Charles T. Terry and Dr. F. A. Cook also spoke. Many well known automobile enthusiasts attended.

IRISH ATHLETES HONORED.

Martin Sheridan and John Flanagan Receive Statuettes of Themselves.

The friends of the athletes Martin Sheridan and John Flanagan had an opportunity to show their admiration for them last night at a public reception and presentation to them under the auspices of the United Irish-American societies at the Grand Central Palace. Each received a life-like bronze statuette of himself—Sheridan in the attitude of throwing the discus and Flanagan throwing the hammer. The presentation speech was made by Daniel F. Cohalan, after a few introductory remarks by William P. McLoughlin, chairman of the Entertainment Committee.

The feature of the evening was preceded by a varied programme. There was jig, reel and hornpipe dancing by Miss Eileen Graney, Miss Julia Comerford and Miss Monica Graney and John Maloney, D. J. Murphy and J. R. Kelly. James Brady sang "The Irish Emigrant." "The Banks of the Lee" was sung in Gaelic by Mrs. Helen O'Donnell. William F. Hooley sang "The Boys of Wexford." There were moving pictures of scenes in Ireland and music by Professor Bayne's 69th Regiment Band. The 1st Regiment of Irish Volunteers was out in force, and the officers of the regiment acted as an escort of honor to the two athletes during the presentation ceremonies.

MOTOR BOAT EXHIBITION AT KIEL.

Programme Announced for Big International Show in June.

The programme has been announced for the international motor boat exhibition at Kiel, Germany, from June 15 to 20, under the patronage of His Royal Highness Prince Henry of Prussia, and supported by the Imperial Navy, the German Sea Fisheries Union and other bodies. The Imperial Navy has placed at disposal for the exhibition a piece of ground finely situated on the harbor. Information may be obtained from Baron von Moltke, the business manager of the exhibition in Kiel. This matter is one of much importance, for not only has it a significance for our own industry and that of Germany, but it nearly concerns all people employing motor boats.

The scope of the exhibition has been planned as follows:

First. Naval craft.—(a) Warships' boats: admirals' galleys, motor launches, pinnaces, motor cutters, motor gigs. (b) other boats: boats for harbor traffic, coastwise boats (small torpedo boats, etc.).

Second. Mercantile craft.—Passenger boats for harbor and river service, cargo boats, lifeboats, motor lighters and motor sailing boats.

Third. Fishing craft.—Fishing sailing craft with auxiliary motor; motor fishing craft with or without auxiliary sails; literature on motors and motor fishing craft and boats; drawing designs and models of sea fishing craft and boats with motor, also with motor and screw, or auxiliary screw.

Fourth. Sporting craft.—Racing boats, touring boats without cabin, touring boats with cabin, small boats, sailing yachts with auxiliary motor, motor yachts with auxiliary sail.

Fifth. Motors and their appurtenances.

Sixth. Articles of equipment of all kinds for the above-mentioned craft.

Seventh. Fuel and its preservation.

Eighth. Machinery for the construction of the above-mentioned objects.

A DOLLAR FOR A YARN

It Tells the Tale of a Shipwrecked Crew, and Here It Is.

Eight shipwrecked seamen of the schooner P. T. Barnum, who had drifted for eighteen hours in a small boat off Cape Hatteras, came up to the city yesterday from Communipaw, N. J., where they were landed by the Standard Oil tugboat Astral. The men separated when they arrived in Manhattan, and Frederick Peterson was the only one who cared to tell of his experience off Hatteras.

"I've got a genuine story of what we went through," said Peterson, "and if you've got a genuine dollar bill to exchange for the genuine yarn you may have it."

He said the P. T. Barnum, which was a three-masted schooner of 631 tons, left Jacksonville on December 15 with lumber for New York. On December 17 a few miles to the northeastward of Hatteras she ran into a heavy northeasterly gale and shipped a lot of water.

"There was at least five feet of water in the hold by the 18th at 4 p. m.," said Peterson, "and we actually rode on our cargo. The steam pump failed to work, and the hand pumps, which got balky, at last actually broke down, and there was no way to fight against the flood that poured through the seams and down the hatches.

"Captain Hankins said he would stick by the schooner, and wanted us to stand by, too, but my life is as good as anybody's, and I told him I'd take to the small boat first. The mate was sick, but we got him out and carried him aft. There was a high sea running, but we got him in the small boat, and then the rest of us joined him. The captain he says don't cut the painter, but we gave him just five minutes to come with us or go down with the schooner. Suddenly she pitched her bow way under and her stern went high up. I guess this took the snap out of the skipper's nerve, for he crawled into our boat and we cut loose. There was no such thing as saving that schooner. When the pumps went bad we threw over our deckload, but that only made matters worse. For eighteen hours we rowed through a regular mountain range of seas. Four men rowed while four men baled, and it was a toss up as to which men worked the harder.

"The captain said he was sure that if we could get ten miles to the eastward we would then be in one of the coastwise lanes and run a chance of being picked up. About eighteen hours after we left the schooner we signalled the schooner Henry Weller, bound for Fernandina, and she took us aboard. On the morning of December 20 the Standard Oil tugboat Astral took us off and landed us in Communipaw."

PLANS NEW THEATRE.

Meyer Bimberg Purchases $375,000 Plot in 46th Street.

Meyer Bimberg announced last night that he had purchased a site on the north side of 46th street, 100 feet west of Broadway, for $375,000, on which he was going to build a new theatre, to be known as Booth's Theatre. He has selected George Keister as the architect, he said. The plans call for an outlay of $350,000. The building will be in Gothic style, and will have a seating capacity of 1,400. The ground would be broken next spring, Mr. Bimberg said, and the theatre would be finished on January 1, 1908. He expects to lease it to E. H. Sothern for some time, after its completion.

COL. MANN'S DEFENCE.

Employes Testify That He Did Not "O. K." the "Count" Ward Letter.

The trial of Colonel William D'Alton Mann for prejury was resumed yesterday morning before Recorder Goff. By recess Assistant District Attorney Garvan had finished the case for the prosecution, and the afternoon session marked the opening for the defence.

Charles Stokes Wayne, formerly one of the editors of "Town Topics," testified that Colonel Mann had ordered him to publish the complimentary notices about "Count" Reginald Ward. He identified several letters written to Ward by Colonel Mann. The witness was not allowed to answer the question whether or not he ever used the initials of the defendant. Witness said that he was at present employed by "Collier's Weekly" at a salary of $100 a week.

Here Mr. Garvan announced that his case was closed, but he asked permission to prove later, if necessary, that Colonel Mann was in town on January 31, 1901. This was granted him. Counsel for the defence seemed rather curious over Mr. Garvan's object in making this request.

After recess Mr. Littleton opened the case for the defence. He moved that it be dismissed, on the ground that the alleged perjury was not material. The motion was denied, as was another to have the evidence of all the experts stricken from the record. Mr. Littleton then addressed the jury. "The case," he said, "rests upon the statement made by Wooster. I shall show you that Wooster's testimony is unworthy of belief. I shall show you that it was the duty of Char