TRAP SHOOTING ❧ BASEBALL ❧ AUTOMOBILING ❧ HOCKEY

M'CARTY WINS TITLE

SHOOTS IN RARE FORM.

Storm Has No Terrors for Gunners in Championship Match.

Under the most trying weather conditions that trapshooters have been called upon to face in years, G. S. McCarty, of the Keystone Shooting League, of Philadelphia, won the amateur championship of the United States by breaking 96 out of a possible 100 blue rocks at the Travers Island traps of the New York Athletic Club yesterday. The Quaker marksman did exceptionally fine work, returning three full strings of 25 and one card of 21 targets. It was during the morning that the Philadelphia gunner missed his clay birds. At that hour a light rain was falling, a haze was hanging over the Sound, and every now and again the blue rocks were whirled into seemingly impossible angles by a cold northeast wind.

Under the conditions, it was really astonishing that the gunners, particularly McCarty, Foord and Culver, did so well. Several of the favorites fared badly in the morning hours, notably John H. Hendrickson, of the Bergen Beach Gun Club, winner of the title in 1906, who missed ten of the little clay pigeons. Hendrickson did better in the afternoon, as he missed only a single target.

W. M. Foord, of Wilmington, Del., a member of the Wawasset Gun Club, who won the championship in 1906, finished second with a card of 95. He shot consistently throughout the day, breaking strings of 23, 25, 23 and 24. Dr. D. Culver, of the Jersey City Gun Club, took third prize. This marksman succeeded in finding fairly good shooting conditions during the morning, and had a high card of 48 for the final fifty targets. After luncheon Dr. Culver did not do so well, breaking 22 and 23, which gave him a grand total of 93.

Considering the weather conditions, there was an exceptional field of gunners at the traps. One hundred and twenty marksmen reported, and, with the exception of twelve professionals, all were competing for the amateur title. In the lists there was one woman and one sturdy little youngster in short trousers, who bravely stood on the firing line. The lad was the fourteen-year-old son of Dr. Betts, of Newark. He had the satisfaction of returning 64, the same score as his father.

Mrs. G. W. Butler, of Troy, N. Y., was the woman who tried for the amateur title. She started off well with a score of 21, but the conditions were such that her aim became poorer with each string, and her other cards were 19, 18 and 16, which gave her a total of 74.

John Philip Sousa was also one of the competitors. The bandmaster did not do particularly well, returning a card of 54. D. A. Upson, the Cleveland marksman, who won the preliminary shoot on Thursday, was another marksman who "fell down" yesterday. His total was 87. Dr. Gleason, of Boston, who won the championship last year, did not defend his title yesterday.

J. A. R. Elliott, of Brooklyn, was high gun among the professionals. He made the excellent scores of 24, 25, 25 and 24. There were also two special events for silver plates after the championship events. One was taken by J. H. Hendrickson, of Brooklyn, and the other by H. Kahler, of Philadelphia. Each had a full score of 25.

AMATEUR CHAMPIONSHIP—100 TARGETS.

Name and club.	Strings of 25.
G. S. McCarty, Keystone S. L.	25 25 25 21—96
W. M. Foord, Wilmington, Del.	23 25 23 24—95
Dr. D. L. Culver, Jersey City G. C.	24 24 22 23—93
G. H. Saunders, Albany, N. Y.	23 23 22 24—92
F. A. Hoagman, N. Y. A. C.	22 22 24 23—91
F. W. Moffett, Crescent A. C.	21 24 23 23—91
J. A. Herold, Sunbury, Penn.	21 23 23 24—91
F. Hall, N. Y. A. C.	21 22 23 24—90
C. L. McClave, North River G. C.	19 25 23 23—90
C. Gibson, Carteret G. C.	20 23 24 23—90
L. B. Mallory, Jr., Bradford, Penn.	24 23 21 22—90
G. E. Jenssen, Crescent A. C.	23 21 22 22—88
T. D. Hackett, Atlantic City	24 23 18 23—88
J. H. Hendrickson, Bergen Beach	20 20 24 25—89
E. E. Gardiner, Orange, N. J.	21 22 23 22—88
H. Kahler, Philadelphia	23 23 20 22—88
J. L. Ten Eyck, N. Y. A. C.	19 22 24 24—89
G. F. Pelham, N. Y. A. C.	19 23 22 23—87
D. A. Upson, Cleveland, Ohio	19 22 21 25—87
S. S. Hemsen, Crescent A. C.	23 23 22 19—87
F. F. Smith, Boston, Mass.	22 22 21 22—87
M. J. Soctor, Englewood, N. J.	21 24 21 21—87
F. B. Hoagmann, Crescent A. C.	22 21 22 22—87
F. Groesbeck, North River G. C.	19 22 22 23—86
W. J. Brennan, North River G. C.	23 23 20 20—86
G. S. K. Hemsen, Crescent A. C.	22 22 23 18—86
J. T. Ropes, Bergen Beach	22 20 21 23—86
J. D. Reid, N. Y. A. C.	22 18 23 23—86
W. Etnling, Atglen, Penn.	22 22 19 22—85
E. M. Hind, Albany, N. Y.	23 23 18 21—85
G. H. Piercy, Jersey City G. C.	20 21 21 23—85
A. J. Bostwick, N. Y. A. C.	21 24 19 21—85
W. Billings, N. Y. A. C.	19 22 21 23—85
W. Simonson, Port Washington	24 22 17 21—84
G. E. Crater, Bergen Beach	19 23 21 21—84
W. H. Matthews, Trenton, N. J.	24 21 20 19—84
G. W. Butler, Troy, N. Y.	16 23 22 21—83
H. Iverough, unattached	19 19 24 21—83
F. C. Herman, unattached	22 21 17 23—83
Rehrel, Fox Hills	19 22 21 22—83
H. D. Bergen, Bergen Beach	20 21 20 22—83
A. Stone, Amityville, Long Island	21 20 20 22—83
A. Schaeffer, N. Y. A. C.	19 22 20 22—83
F. K. Kouwenhoven, Bergen Beach	24 20 22 17—83
J. Tank, North River G. C.	21 21 20 21—83
R. M. Owen, N. Y. A. C.	24 15 23 20—82
De Quillfeldt, Amityville, Long Island	21 21 18 22—82
F. Dorgery, Hammonton, N. J.	21 20 20 21—82
A. B. Allan, Montclair, N. J.	23 24 19 16—82
J. Hal, Pennsylvania G. C.	14 21 21 23—81
H. W. Dryer, Bergen Beach	21 18 22 20—81
H. W. Ludecker, Englewood, N. J.	22 20 21 18—81
T. Englert, Atglen, Penn.	20 22 19 19—80
M. V. Lenane, New York A. C.	21 19 20 19—79
J. Grimmel, New York A. C.	21 21 21 14—79
T. Wagner, Bradford, Penn.	19 22 19 19—79
J. O. Roberts, Troy, N. Y.	19 18 19 23—79
C. D. Henline, Bradford, Penn.	21 19 18 21—79
A. Lockwood, Crescent A. C.	21 21 16 21—79
J. Marten, Bergen Beach	19 20 22 20—79
C. E. Nicholas, Montclair	20 19 19 20—78
W. A. Gregory, Danbury, Conn.	18 19 19 22—78
J. Perry, unattached	21 20 20 17—78
M. Edgarton, Boston	21 21 19 18—78
T. O'Donohue, Jr., New York A. C.	17 22 19 19—77
F. Voorhees, Bergen Beach	14 22 21 20—77
A. Von Dohren, unattached	16 23 16 22—77
C. Schwyzinger, North River	19 18 20 20—77
J. W. Peabody, Jr., Crescent A. C.	20 20 18 19—77
H. Bates, Ridgetown, N. J.	18 22 18 19—77
J. Twetis, unattached	20 21 18 18—76
J. W. Crater, Bergen Beach	20 20 18 18—76
J. Lenane, Jr., N. Y. A. C.	21 21 17 17—76
H. Tuthill, Chester, N. Y.	20 23 17 16—76
J. Dey, New York A. C.	17 18 23 21—76
J. M. Booth, unattached	20 23 23 13—76
W. Chalmers, New York A. C.	20 21 18 18—75
W. E. Crane, Hammonton, N. J.	15 19 21 20—75
T. Baldwin, unattached	17 19 18 21—75
J. J. Elias, New York A. C.	19 17 16 23—74
J. M. Brigham, Crescent A. C.	19 21 15 19—74
F. M. Waterhouse, unattached	18 22 17 17—74
Mrs. G. W. Butler, Troy, N. Y.	21 19 18 16—74
M. W. Wynne, Bergen Beach	17 18 19 20—74
J. H. Ryder, Bergen Beach	17 18 17 22—74
J. C. Lindley, Newark, N. J.	15 22 19 19—75
J. Simpson, unattached	14 24 15 20—73
J. M. Hearst, Albany	18 22 16 16—72
J. Lesh, Crescent A. C.	18 17 16 20—71
J. W. Hetherington, unattached	15 18 20 18—71
J. J. O'Donohue, Fox Hills	14 19 19 19—71
A. A. Henderson, Bergen Beach	11 21 21 22—71
J. Lewis, Pittsburg	21 13 21 15—70
J. K. Smith, Boston	16 17 17 19—69
J. Thomas, unattached	19 16 18 16—69
J. Hyatt, Crescent A. C.	22 15 15 16—68
J. Cobden, New York A. C.	12 19 20 17—68
J. Young, unattached	21 19 14 13—66
J. F. Goodwin, unattached	16 19 19 12—66
J. Betts, Newark, N. J.	22 15 12 15—64
J. Betts, Newark, N. J.	15 16 16 17—64
A. E. Hendrickson, Crescent A. C.	14 14 21 14—63
J. Julian, unattached	12 11 16 17—56
J. F. Knous, N. Y. A. C.	15 14 19 16—54
J. Sebring, Bergen Beach	17 11 12 9—49

PROFESSIONAL SHOOT—100 TARGETS.

J. A. R. Elliott, Brooklyn	24 25 25 24—98
J. German, Aberdeen, Md.	23 23 22 25—97
J. Agar, New York	22 24 23 24—93
J. G. Welles, New York	22 23 23 24—92
J. H. Stevens, New York	22 22 22 24—90
H. Keller, Jr., New York	18 23 24 24—89
J. S. Fanning, New York	24 22 22 21—89
J. Skelly, New York	19 23 22 22—88
J. Glover, New York	20 23 23 24—87
J. Maxwell, Holstein, Neb.	19 20 23 23—85
J. Brown, New York	21 23 17 18—82
F. E. Butler, New York	12 20 17 21—70
A. Coburn, New York	13 11 17 16—47

SKATING RECORDS IN DANGER.

Kearney and Granger Among Other Stars Entered for St. Nicholas Races.

Nearly one hundred of the fastest speed skaters ever seen on the ice will participate in the races at the St. Nicholas Rink to-night, and the indications are that the indoor records in both the half-mile and two-mile events will be lowered. The scratch men in these races are Phil Kearney, whose record of victories in championship events is only excelled by that of Joe Donoghue, Newburg's famous champion. Clarence Granger, of the Wanderers Hockey Club, who has been beating all the middle distance records in practice; Joe Miller, of the New York Athletic Club, who won the local championship at Verona Lake last season, and Woodward Sutphen, of Long Branch, the Shrewsbury River champion.

A special handicap for each heat has been arranged, with a view to bringing this quartet of flyers together in the finish heat, and the rivalry for individual honors is keen. On the short marks are representatives from the various skating clubs at Orange and Verona lakes, Hoboken, Saratoga and Saranac.

Over thirty ambitious young skaters will start in the one-mile race for novices. They will be under the jurisdiction of the Eastern Amateur Skating Association, and John D. Slayback, president of the organization, will be the referee, assisted by a competent staff of officials from the various athletic clubs.

THE NEW CHAMPION AT THE TRAPS.

GEORGE S. M'CARTY, OF PHILADELPHIA, ON THE LEFT.

POMFRET SEVEN WINS

Scores Five Goals at Hockey to One for St. Mark's.

In a one-sided hockey match at the St. Nicholas rink last night the Pomfret School seven defeated St. Mark's by a score of 5 goals to 1. The first period was hard fought, although loosely played. Clark scored for Pomfret in the last minute of play, after a scrimmage in front of the St. Mark's net. It looked as if one of the St. Mark's boys kicked the puck in by mistake, but the goal was claimed by Clark and allowed by the referee. In this period most of the boys fell about as if on the ice for the first time.

The play improved in the second period so far as skating went, and the Pomfret seven forced the fight and scored three goals in quick succession. Norton got the first after a pretty shot from on side, Chauncey the second and Norton the third.

After that St. Mark's took a hand, and Dewey saved his team from a shut-out by racing down the ice and shooting so fast that Alexandre failed to stop the puck. Within a minute of the next face-off Chauncey secured the puck and shot a neat goal for Pomfret, the last of the match.

The line-up and summary follow:

Pomfret (5).	Position.	St. Mark's (1).
Alexandre	Goal	Bird
Romeyn	Point	Bless
Scully	Cover point	Booth
Norton	Centre	Dewey
Stevenson	Left wing	Ervin
Chauncey	Right wing	Tomes
Clark	Rover	Rushmore

Goals—For Pomfret, Norton (2), Chauncey (2), Clark; for St. Mark's, Dewey. Substitute—Morgan, for Tomes. Referee—W. C. Russell, Hockey Club of New York. Umpire—H. Hornfeck, Wanderers Hockey Club. Time of halves—Twenty and fifteen minutes.

SHRUBB SIGNS TO RACE.

Will Meet Longboat Over the Full Marathon Distance.

Alfred Shrubb, the famous English long distance runner, came to New York yesterday and signed an agreement to race Tom Longboat, the Indian, over the full Marathon distance in Madison Square Garden on January 8 or 9. Shrubb accepted the challenge to meet Longboat, as told in The Tribune, on Thursday, following the Indian's victory over Dorando on Tuesday evening.

Shrubb has persistently held out in the past against engaging in a race over the full Marathon distance, twenty-six miles 385 yards, and has confined himself as a general rule to five, ten and fifteen mile contests. At these distances he has been practically unbeatable, and his great speed may give him enough of an advantage in a Marathon to win. In making the match with Longboat for his first effort, he is not trying to pick out an "easy mark."

Immediately after signing the agreement to meet Longboat Shrubb went back to his home in Boston, where he will train for the race. Longboat, accompanied by his manager, Tom Flanagan, went to Canada night before last, and will remain there until January 1, when he will go to Buffalo to meet Dorando in a fifteen mile race. The Indian will then come to New York and train for the Shrubb match, Dorando going West to race in St. Louis, Kansas City and Chicago.

AUTO ACCIDENTS IN ENGLAND.

More Persons Killed and Injured This Year in Stated Time than Last.

Washington, Dec. 18.—In spite of fines, increased stringency of regulations and growing popular indignation and outcry, the number of automobile accidents and violations of law by motorists in England continue to increase, as shown by a statement and statistics given by the secretary of the British Highways Protection League, and submitted to the bureau of manufactures by Consul Mahin, at Nottingham.

It shows that one hundred person were killed in July, August and September, 1908, as compared with eighty-eight during the corresponding months of 1907, and that the number of accidents increased from 361 to 444.

MONTCLAIR GOLF CLUB OFFICERS.

Officers to serve for the ensuing year at the Montclair Golf Club were elected on Thursday as follows:

President, H. H. Spies; vice-president, T. H. Stephens; secretary and treasurer, Walter Brown; captain, Jason Rogers. Other members of executive committee, C. D. Backus, H. B. Perley, E. W. Townsend, H. J. Droste and J. A. Kelsey.

The following committees were named:

Greens committee, C. B. Droste, chairman; Jason Rogers and J. A. Kelsey.

House committee, Walter Brown, chairman; W. B. Perley and E. W. Townsend.

Membership committee, C. D. Backus, chairman; T. H. Stephens and Walter Brown.

Tournament committee, Jason Rogers, chairman.

BONHAG TO REMAIN AN AMATEUR.

George Bonhag, the former indoor long distance champion, denies that he has thought of turning professional in order to run in one of the Marathon races. Bonhag says that he has no intention of quitting the amateur ranks, and instead of increasing the distance that he will run he has decided to try the shorter races.

The Irish-American champion has started training for the mile, and is working at Columbia College every day. He will make his next appearance at the Xavier A. A. games, which are to be held at the 22d Regiment Armory on January 9.

AUTO RUN FOR WOMEN

Entry Blanks Out for First Contest of Its Kind Held Here.

Entry blanks were issued yesterday for the two-day run of the Women's Motoring Club of New York, from this city to Philadelphia on December 29 and 30. It is the first run exclusively for women ever held in this country, and the interest aroused exceeds expectation. Hardly had the announcement of the contest been made than inquiries began to pour in from women motorists, asking for information regarding the run.

The committee is now at work framing the rules for the run. They are to be based on the skill, grace and accuracy in driving with immunity, or the reverse, from punctures or tire trouble. It is the first time that this phase has been applied in a contest on tires.

The start will be made from the Hotel Plaza, where the committee meets. A tire concern in Newark will entertain the contestants at a luncheon when they reach that city, while the Quaker City Motor Club and the allied automobile clubs of Philadelphia will escort the tourists into Philadelphia.

A number of prizes will be offered in the various classes. Benjamin Briscoe will give a bronze trophy to the driver who leads the Maxwell contingent. Entry blanks may be had from the secretary of the run, Alexander Schwalbach, Thoroughfare Building.

Preparations are being made for the three-day automobile carnival to be held at the fair grounds track, New Orleans, on February 20, 21 and 23. The track will be banked on the turns and oiled. On the second day of the tournament the programme is made up of a twenty-four hour race. To avoid the possibility of manufacturers fixing up cars with material and implements that are not "stock," a clause in the rules forces entrants to agree to sell the competing cars for cash at the price entered.

The races will be held in connection with the New Orleans Mardi Gras, and in the street parade on the opening night of the celebration, February 18, the floats will be carried on motor trucks.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Atlanta Chamber of Commerce the other evening the movement to build an automobile course for an international race next fall failed to meet with favor. When the question came up half a dozen well known citizens of Atlanta, some of whom visited Savannah during the Grand Prize race on Thanksgiving Day, made speeches, in which they stated that Savannah had pre-empted the automobile race enterprise, that Savannah had handled the matter ably and well, that the result had been a credit, not only to Savannah and Chatham County, but to the entire state, and that it would be unbecoming in Atlanta to play the dog-in-the-manger act. The result was that the following resolution was adopted:

"Resolved, That if this matter is taken up by the Automobile Club or others, this Chamber of Commerce will at a later date appoint a committee, if it seems advisable."

The committee in charge of the stock car race for the Briarcliff Trophy last spring has instituted a suit against State Engineer Skene to recover the deposit of $4,600 made at that time to cover any damage to the state roads.

It is claimed that the roads were damaged to the extent of $4,000, but the committee claims that the State Engineer had no legal right to exact or collect any money from it for the purpose.

INDOOR ATHLETIC GAMES.

Some of the Best Known Runners of the District to Race To-night.

With an entry list made up of Olympic, national, metropolitan and Canadian champions, the carnival of sport under the auspices of the College of the City of New York wil be held at the 22d Regiment Armory to-night. Melvin Sheppard, Harry Hillman, Charley Bacon, Harry Gissing, Harry Sedley, Jim McEntee and other fleet mid-distance runners are entered in the special 600-yard scratch race.

Mike Driscoll, Fred Bellars, Tom Collins, Win Bailey, Eddie Carr, Joe Malone, William Kramer, Jim Clarke and John Reilly, practically the same field that competed in the five-mile run at the indoor championships when Tom Collins broke Eddie Carter's long standing record, will measure strides in the four-mile race, and the old record may fall.

The annual indoor games of the 2d Battalion Naval Militia Athletic Association will be held this evening at the armory, in 52d street, Brooklyn. Over two hundred athletes have entered for the various events. Among the guests of the evening will be Rear Admiral Goodrich, commandant of the Brooklyn navy yard, and his staff. The officers' cup is the point trophy the various divisions will strive for.

RACING TEST CASE POSTPONED.

New Orleans, Dec. 18.—Judge Baker, sitting in the Criminal Court, ordered the arraignment of S. F. Heaslip, W. W. Lyles, Placide Frigerio and R. M. Sheffield, against whom information was filed in connection with the one-race meeting at City Park on Wednesday to test the racing law, be continued until Monday. Edward Corrigan, who, it is said, will be in New Orleans by that date, may be arraigned with those mentioned.

GLOVER KNOCKED OUT BY MADDEN.

Frank Madden knocked out Mike Glover in the fifth round of what was to have been a ten-round bout at the National Athletic Club last night.

CENSURE FOR CHICAGO

TICKETS BADLY HANDLED.

No Collusion with Scalpers, Baseball Commission Finds.

Cincinnati, Dec. 18.—The Chicago National League Baseball Club was censured for the part it played in handling the tickets for the world's championship games between the Cubs and the Detroit Tigers in a decision handed down to-day by the National Baseball Commission, made up of August Herrmann, Harry C. Pulliam and Ban B. Johnson. The opinion was expressed that hereafter the commission will handle the sale of tickets, and the various clubs were urged to use their influence so far as possible to secure legislation against ticket scalping.

President Murphy was freed from any complicity on the ground that he was out of the city at the time, and it was also pointed out that no direct charge was made and no proof submitted that the Chicago club or any of its employes were in collusion with the ticket scalpers.

The commission made a full and complete investigation of the charges, and hands down a decision of some fifteen hundred words, in which the whole question is reviewed in detail. In conclusion, the commission says:

From the finding of facts we are of the opinion that the Chicago club is deserving of the severest criticism and censure for the manner in which it handled the sale of the tickets during the last world's series, and that it must be held responsible for the great annoyance caused many patrons of the game in Chicago, and that the complaints filed with the commission by the Chicago public were justified and warranted.

As we have already stated, there was no direct charge made or proof offered that any one connected with the Chicago club as an employe was in collusion with the so-called scalpers; yet at the same time we call Mr. Murphy's particular attention to finding No. 10, and request that he make a further examination of this particular feature of the case, to ascertain, if possible, just in what manner these tickets were secured by these persons.

Finding No. 10 reads: "No public sale of tickets was made at any time previous to the opening of the gates at the park on Sunday, excepting in the offices of the Chicago club. It follows, therefore, that whatever tickets came into the hands of scalpers, no matter through what source, had their origin, in so far as the original purchase was concerned, in the office of the Chicago club." The report continues:

The evidence also shows that preference was given so-called regular customers of the Chicago club over the general public; and, while it may be that any club would have acted likewise, yet the commission condemns the fact that the reservations were secured by parties who never took them up, and held almost to the last minute and then returned the tickets without settling for them. We believe it will be a very hard matter to prevent tickets during the series reaching the hands of scalpers, even without collusion on the part of any one connected with the winning clubs, unless the city authorities themselves pass proper laws and ordinances to prevent scalping of tickets, and for that reason the commission recommends that an effort be made by every major league club to secure the necessary legislation in their respective cities for this purpose.

From what has happened and from this investigation the commission is strongly of the opinion herein announced, that hereafter all of the tickets for all the games during the entire series will be handled by it, and that an attempt will be made to adopt rules with reference to the sale, to prevent not only such tickets reaching the hands of scalpers, if possible, but to afford the general public every opportunity to get them quickly at several points and at prices not in excess of those fixed by the commission.

It was admitted by the Chicago club that 680 tickets were sold to one person.

BASEBALL NEWS AND NOTES.

Cincinnati, Dec. 8.—Cincinnati will get Fromme and Karger, pitchers, from St. Louis to complete the deal by which Bresnahan left New York for St. Louis in exchange for Schlei, the Cincinnati catcher, and Murray and Raymond.

Baltimore, Dec. 18.—Ed Hanlon, president of the Baltimore club, of the Eastern League, has released Jack Dunn, who managed the team last year.

COLUMBIA FIVE BEATS TRINITY.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 18.—In a one-sided game here to-night the Columbia basketball team overwhelmed the Trinity team by a score of 35 to 11, the New York men entirely outclassing the home team. In goal getting Kiendl and Melitzer surpassed and Gildersleeve and Carroll were altogether unable to prevent frequent scoring by the visiting collegians.

WEST POINT HOCKEY SCHEDULE.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

West Point, N. Y., Dec. 18.—The Army hockey schedule, issued to-day, is somewhat smaller than last year's only thirteen games being listed, all to be played at West Point. Hayes is the only man left from last year's team, but there is a large number of promising players trying for the team. The quartermaster is building a rink on the plains, which promises to be the best the cadets have had since the game gained a place in Army athletics.

The schedule follows:

January 6, Newburg Academy; January 9, Brooklyn Polytechnic; January 16, Pawling; January 20, Albany High School; January 23, Dartmouth; January 26, Columbia; January 30, Rensselaer Polytechnic; February 3, Stevens Institute of Technology; February 6, Company K, 7th Regiment; February 10, Carnegie Technical School; February 13, Cornell; February 20, Amherst, and February 22, Williams.

N. Y. U. RUNS UP BIG SCORE.

The New York University basketball team overwhelmed the St. Stephen's College five at University Heights last night by the score of 80 to 6. The summary follows:

New York (80).	Positions.	St. Stephen's (6).
Dale	R. F.	Jepson
Wachenfeld (Newins)	L. F.	W. Allen
Brodhead	C.	Craste
Girdansky	L. G.	Brady
Bowe (Smith)	R. G.	Boak

Goals—Wachenfeld (4), Brodhead (16), Bowe (1), Dale (4), Girdansky (5), Newins, Smith (8), Cragie, Boak. Fouls—Dale (2), Jepson (2). Referee—J. E. Tuohy, New York.

CAPITOL SENTENCES THE MAXIMUM.

Two Years and Fines of $500 Meted Out to Four Convicted Pennsylvania Grafters.

Harrisbrg, Penn., Dec. 18.—Two years' imprisonment and a fine of $500, the maximum penalty, was the sentence meted out to-day by Judge Kunkel, in the Dauphin County Court, to each of the four men who were convicted in connection with the furnishing of the State Capitol. Application for a supercedeas was granted this afternoon in the Superior Court at Philadelphia, and bond was fixed at $25,000 in each case pending argument in the Superior Court next spring or summer.

The four defendants are John H. Sanderson, of Philadelphia, contractor for the furniture; James M. Shumaker, of Johnstown, superintendent of the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings at the time the contract for furniture was let; William P. Snyder, of Spring City, and William L. Matheus, of Media, respectively Auditor General and State Treasurer during the operation of the contract and, by virtue of their positions, members of the Board of Grounds and Buildings. The men were convicted of defrauding the state of $19,308 in a contract for wooden furniture. Other charges involved large sums in the aggregate. They were tried last spring, and last week a new trial was refused.

The men convicted to-day were tried a second time and acquitted of a charge of defrauding the state in a metal furniture contract.

TREAT FOR LONG ISLAND NEWSIES.

Mrs. W. Butler Duncan Gives Them Hippodrome Tickets and New Dollar Bills.

Thirty-six boys who sell papers around the railroad station and the entrance to the 34th street ferry, in Long Island City, were made happy yesterday morning, when Mrs. W. Butler Duncan, carrying a package of Hippodrome tickets and a roll of crisp $1 bills, visited the scene of their activities to arrange to give the boys a Christmas treat. Mrs. Duncan gave each a ticket for Christmas Eve. A. E. Meeks, chief train announcer in the Long Island railroad station, who knows all the newsboys, was made custodian of the tickets and the money, and he has been designated as guardian to the boys on their visit to the city. Each boy will get one of the dollars when he appears at the show—as if he needed that inducement!

COGGEY UNDER FIRE.

Commissioner of Correction Ignorant of Department Details.

Commissioner John V. Coggey of the Department of Correction was put on the grill yesterday by the Cassidy finance investigating committee at the City Hall. He admitted that he depended on his subordinates for knowledge of the practical running of his office. He testified, in response to questions by Charles A. Collin, counsel to the committee, that there was contained in the budget estimate no statement as to stock on hand or of the value of such stock on hand or "in store." He produced a copy of the budget estimates for 1908-09.

"You swore yesterday," said Senator Cassidy, of the committee, "that your estimate contained a statement of the stock on hand. Does it?"

"No."

Commissioner Coggey said that he had relied on his auditor and other subordinates.

"Commissioner," asked Mr. Collin, "have you relied for your correction this morning on your auditor?"

"Yes," replied Commissioner Coggey.

"Then, as a matter of fact, you don't know of your own personal knowledge whether your statement of this morning or your statement of yesterday is the correct one."

"No," admitted the commissioner.

John P. Dreyer, auditor of the department, told of the methods of making requisitions, general and special, for supplies for Blackwell's Island. Witness said he did not know the members of the firm who had the meat contract, amounting to $140,000. He said that some requisitions for supplies had been disapproved by the commissioner and the auditor because of lack of funds, or the belief that they were not necessary. It appeared that a bath tub and fixtures were deemed unnecessary luxuries for Hart's Island. It was the overseer there who had the temerity to suggest that one might be of use in his home.

Witness said that he endeavored to secure goods cheaply, and that it was his duty, in case of complaint, to examine the goods and reject them if justifiable.

"You don't inspect, though, unless complaint is made?"

"No."

"The storekeeper is not responsible for goods purchased in open market?"

"No."

"You say that he is not responsible for inspections as to quantity or quality. Do you mean to say that?" asked Senator Cassidy.

"Yes."

"He testified here that he was."

"I think he referred to goods bought under contract. I am speaking of goods bought under open market order."

"ARE YOU A MASON?" IN YIDDISH.

Policeman's Description of "A Son of Abraham" Fails to Convict Prisoners.

Jacob Louis, of No. 457 Grand street, manager of the Star Vaudeville House, at No. 8 Forsyth street; Solomon Krassmer, the ticket taker, of No. 108 East Houston street; Louis Gilrad, a theatrical performer, of No. 108 Chrystie street, and Minnie Pilpal, an actress, of No. 55 Forsyth street, arrested on Sunday charged with violating the Sunday law, were discharged yesterday in the Essex Market court by Magistrate Droege.

"What were they playing?" asked the magistrate.

"They were playing in Yiddish 'Are You a Mason?' but instead of calling it 'Are You a Mason?' they called it 'A Son of Beth Israel' or 'A Son of Abraham,' I forgot which now," said Patrolman Freud.

"Describe the play," said Magistrate Droege.

"Well, this here Gilrad was supposed to be made a Mason," replied Patrolman Freud.

"I object to what he supposes it to be," interjected the counsel for the defendant.

"Well, this is all supposed to be," replied the policeman. "He was made a Mason. I'll call it that in English. His son-in-law was supposed to join, also, so he told his wife, in the play. Toward the last of the act the husband went out," Patrolman Freud said.

"I saw the play 'Are You a Mason?' but I would never recognize it from the description," remarked Magistrate Droege, and he discharged the defendants.

PALACE CARPET BRINGS $740.

Collection of Oriental Art Objects Draws Throng to Sale.

A royal Meshed palace carpet, with a dark blue medallion centre, brought the top price yesterday at the third day's sale of the Prince Malhas Mourad Shah-Mir collection of Oriental rugs and carpets at the Fifth Avenue Art Galleries. E. Post paid $740 for the carpet, which measured 21 by 15.6 feet. G. Lockwood got an antique Bijar carpet for $480, and M. Livermore was the buyer, for $330, of a Tabriz palace carpet.

A Kechan silk rug was sold to A. B. Cochran for $310, and Louis Sherry obtained, for $200, a Serrebend palace carpet 15.3 by 6.7 feet. Dr. T. V. Lucas paid $450 for what is said to be the choicest piece in color and design in the collection. It was an antique silk palace carpet. The total of yesterday's sale was $11,746.50, and the total to date $31,246.50. The buyers included Mrs. E. P. Dutton, Mrs. Peter Cooper Hewitt and Mrs. Eastman Johnson.

A. J. EARLING HERE.

A. J. Earling, president of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway Company, arrived here from Chicago yesterday, and it is understood that his visit is in connection with the organization of the new corporation which is to be formed to take over the several subsidiary companies which have had in charge the construction of the Pacific Coast Extension of the St. Paul road.

It was stated authoritatively yesterday that the new line to the coast, including the tunnel through the Bitter Root Mountains, would be connected within the next sixty days, or a month in advance of the date set recently for the completion of the work.

COPPER REPRESENTATIVES MEET.

About two hundred representatives of copper producing, refining and selling companies in this country attended the meeting yesterday called to organize an association for furnishing statistics and supplying information to the trade, details of which were printed in The Tribune yesterday. Owing to the fact that a number of the leading copper interests were unable to be present the meeting adjourned without taking definite action. Preliminary steps for the formation of the association were taken, however, and a committee appointed to draw up the plans, which will be submitted at the next meeting.

GUGGENHEIM DEFENDS

NO CAUSE FOR WORRY.

Smelters President Discusses Ryan-Cole Activity—Stock Breaks.

Following the sharp break in Smelters yesterday, Daniel Guggenheim, president of the American Smelting and Refining Company, in discussing the new smelting and refining company organized by the Ryan-Cole interests, defended his company and denied several rumors.

"Some years ago the speculating public were kept in a ferment by the cry of wolf in connection with Sugar Refining stocks due to competition between the Havemeyers and the Arbuckles," said Mr. Guggenheim. "It is now the Smelting company, with other large financial interests. It seems that the people must be fed upon something of this kind. As the American Sugar Refining stocks are now so largely absorbed and put away in the boxes, the American Smelting and Refining Company's common stock is being speculated with in its stead.

"This will continue until it is absorbed and put away in the boxes, unless some other security shall in the mean while become more popular with the speculators. There is nothing new that I can see or any change of policy in the so-called Ryan-Cole development of the copper smelting business.

"The group of men known as the Ryan-Cole and their following have been for many years in the copper mining and copper smelting business. They are great believers, undoubtedly, in copper as a metal. So am I. They can see that a great deal of money can be made in this business, as it can be when intelligently prosecuted. They have interests in copper smelters and copper mines in various parts of the United States and properties in various parts of the world.

"It is a business they have gone into, and whether or not they have now formed a large company for the purpose of taking in other interests, or for the purpose of building new smelters and buying new mines, it is nothing new, nor is it anything that the American Smelting and Refining Company's shareholders need look upon with any concern whatsoever, because the American Smelting and Refining Company has not a single exclusive copper smelter in the United States. They have a few copper furnaces at some of their plants, which are simply used as auxiliary furnaces to provide for by-products and such ores as are contiguous to their locality.

"The American Smelters Securities Company have only one exclusive copper smelter in the United States. Neither of these companies is likely to have in the near future any more exclusive copper commission smelters, because they look upon copper smelting as extremely annoying business. The American Smelting and Refining Company is largely interested in copper refining. I, personally, am very fond of and believe in copper mining as a highly profitable business and copper refining as a very satisfactory business; but I would not personally go into the copper commission smelting business or advise any companies with which I am connected to go into the copper smelting business, unless to smelt the copper ores from their own mines. By that I mean I do not believe that the smelting of copper ores on commission for others is a business that, at the present time at least, is desirable.

"As regards the lead smelting business of the American Smelting and Refining Company, fully 90 per cent of all the lead ores of the United States and in the Republic of Mexico are now controlled by ownership of mines and by long time contracts. These ores are either controlled by the American Smelting and Refining Company or by its present competitors. The earnings of the Smelting company at the present time, as well as of the Securities company, are considerably in excess of the dividends that are being paid."

The break in Smelters yesterday carried the price down to 76¾, a new low record for the movement. It rallied at the close, however, to 79⅝, a net loss of 2 points for the day. The preferred broke to 98 and closed at 100, a net loss of 1 point for the day.

The slump in Smelters upset the market generally, and declines of from 1 to 2 points in several of the leading stocks resulted. Steel common broke to 52⅝, Southern Pacific to 118¼, Union Pacific sold at 179 and Amalgamated Copper to 77⅝. Heavy supporting orders which came in the late trading, however, rallied the market, and most of the list closed at a small net advance.

BANKS CHANGE HOMES TO-DAY.

National City and Brooklyn Institution to Move Millions Through Streets.

The work of transferring the fixtures, books and other paraphernalia of the National City Bank from the present office at No. 52 Wall street to its new home across the street in the remodelled Custom House was begun yesterday, and by to-night it is expected that everything will have been taken over.

After the close of banking hours at noon to-day gold and silver, amounting to over $55,000,000, and securities to the value of between $400,000,000 and $500,000,000, will be transferred to the great steel vault in the new building, which, in addition to its sysem of mirrors, so arranged as to betray the presence of any person near it, is protected by steam pipes, from which, upon touching one of several buttons in different parts of the bank, live steam from the boilers will envelop the vault and scald to death any one within reach.

At the same time another bank in this city will transfer its millions through the streets when the Dime Savings Bank of Brooklyn will move its assets from the old home of the bank, at Court and Remsen streets, to its new building in DeKalb avenue, near F