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TIGERS IN DEFEAT

GO DOWN AT CHESS.

Columbia and Yale Lead in Big Tourney.

Columbia and Yale carried off the honors in the first round of the eighteenth annual intercollegiate chess tournament at the rooms of the West Side Republican Club in this city yesterday afternoon and evening.

The New Yorkers succeeded in wresting victory from their old-time rivals of Harvard by a score of 2½ games to 1½, thanks to Captain Ramsdell and J. B. Beadle, who won their games, and a draw by S. H. Childs. Yale defeated the champion Princeton team by the same totals. J. R. Chandler had the distinction of lowering the colors of Captain Stephens of Princeton at the top board and on the next table G. Burgess, of Garden City, Long Island, a son of Bishop Burgess, outpointed J. W. Alexander. A draw by G. F. Parsons at the fourth board of this match gave Yale the odd point.

Play began at 1 o'clock, at which time Edward A. Caswell, Yale, '86, the originator of these tournaments and secretary of the alumni committee, opened the proceedings. Roy T. Black acted as the director of play.

Gluck, of Columbia, was the first victim of the day, although he outplayed Byerly, the Harvard captain, who had resorted to the Steinitz variation in the Ruy Lopez, in the early stage. Energetic play enabled the New Yorker to put the black king to rout and win several pawns, but he indulged in a combination, quite needlessly, which left a loophole through which Byerly could crawl. The latter was not slow to avail himself of the opportunity and won his opponent's queen. After thirty-nine moves Gluck resigned.

Burgess, of Yale, playing the black side of a queen's pawn opening, scored against Alexander, of Princeton, after forty-seven moves, despite the fact that he lost the exchange on the twentieth turn. Through an oversight, Alexander allowed his king and queen to remain on the same file, exposed to the attack of a black rook. The Princetonian paid the usual penalty.

Forger, of Princeton, had a narrow escape at the hands of Parsons, of Yale, and drew only because of the latter's failure to pick out the winning move. Throughout the greater part of the game, however, the players appeared to be evenly matched. After forty-eight moves, Julius Finn, the referee, was asked to adjudicate, and he declared the game a draw.

Childs, of Columbia, played the French Defence against Priest, of Harvard, and acquired two pawns in the course of play. Priest made things so hot for his opponent that Childs returned the extra pawns, and agreed to a draw after a lengthy struggle lasting sixty-eight moves.

One of the best games of the round was won by Beadle, of Columbia, from Mitchell, of Harvard, the former playing the Sicilian Defence and winning a pawn on the twenty-second move. Fifteen moves later, he forced the exchange and won the game in forty moves.

Tiemann, of Princeton, was the next to score at the expense of Jefferson, of Yale, in forty-nine moves, winning pawn after pawn, until finally he was four pawns ahead. Chandler, of Yale, won a pawn from Stephens, of Princeton, on the twenty-sixth move, to which advantage he adhered tenaciously until he forced his opponent's resignation after sixty-six moves.

The last game to be finished was that between Captain Ramsdell, of Columbia, and Hadley, of Harvard, the New Yorker having the white pieces in a Queen's Gambit declined, and winning a pawn on the thirtieth move. Pieces were exchanged and after forty-five moves it was agreed to have the game adjudicated. Mr. Helms, one of the referees, decided the position in favor of Ramsdell.

In the second round this afternoon and evening, Columbia will be pitted against Yale, and Harvard against Princeton.

Two of the most interesting games follow in detail:

QUEEN'S PAWN OPENING.

Alexander. WHITE.	Burgess. BLACK.	Alexander. WHITE.	Burgess. BLACK.
1 P—Q 4	P—Q 4	25 B—Q 4	R—Kt 4
2 Kt—K B 3	Kt—KB 3	26 R x B	P x B
3 Q Kt—Q 2	Kt—B 3	27 Q R—Q	R x Q ch
4 P—B 4	B—Kt 5	28 P x R	Q—K 5
5 P—K Kt 3	P—K 3	29 R—B 2	Kt—Q 6
6 B—Kt 2	B—Q 3	30 K R—Q 2	Q—K 6 ch
7 Castles	Castles	31 K—B	Kt—K 4
8 Q—K	Kt—Q 2	32 R—Q 8 ch	K—Kt 2
9 P—K 4	P x P	33 Q R—Q 2	Q—K 6 ch
10 Kt x P	B—K 2	34 K—K 6	Q—B 6 ch
11 P—K 5	Kt—B 3	35 K—K	Q—K 5 ch
12 Kt—B 5	P—QKt 3	36 K—B 2	Q x R P
13 Kt—Q 3	Kt—Q 4	37 K R—Q 4	Q—B 4
14 Kt x Kt	B x Kt	38 K—Kt 3	P—Q R 4
15 Kt x Kt	B—K B 4	39 P—R 4	P—R 5
16 P—Q B 4	Kt—K 2	40 P—Kt 5	P—R 6
17 Q—B 3	P—K B 3	41 P—R 5	P—R 6
18 P—K Kt 4	P x Kt	42 P x P	Q x P ch
19 P x P	B x P	43 K—B 4	Q—B 4
20 B x B	P x P	44 K—Q 5	P—Kt 4
21 Q x P	Q x B	45 P—R 6 ch	K—B 2
22 Q—Kt 4	B—K 3	46 P—Kt 6 ch	K x P ch
23 B—Kt	Kt x P	47 K—Kt 5	Q—K 6 ch
24 P—B 3	Kt—Kt 5	Resigns.	

RUY LOPEZ.

WHITE. Gluck (Columbia).	BLACK. Byerly (Harvard).	WHITE Gluck (Columbia).	BLACK. Byerly (Harvard).
1 P—K 4	P—K 4	21 P—Q 6	Kt x B
2 Kt—KB 3	Kt—QB 3	22 P x Kt	Q—Kt 2
3 B—Kt 5	P—Q 3	23 P—QKt 3	Q—Q 4
4 P—Q 4	B—Q 2	24 Kt—R 3	K x P
5 P x P	Kt x P	25 Kt—B 4	P—K B
6 Kt x Kt	P x Kt	26 R—K	P—K 5
7 Q—Q 5	Kt—K 2	27 P—K B 3	Q—Q 5 ch
8 Q x Kt P	P—Q B 3	28 K—B	R—Q
9 P—Q B 4	Kt—Kt 3	29 R—K 2	K—B 2
10 Castles	B—Q B 4	30 R—Q 2	R—K 4
11 P—Q	B—Q Kt	31 Kt—B 4	Q—C 8 ch
12 B x P ch	K x B	32 R—K	P—K 7 ch
13 P x B ch	B—K 2	33 K—B 2	R—K
14 Q x B P	Q—K	34 P—R 3	Q—Q 6
15 Q—K 3	R—Kt 3	35 Kt—K 3	Q x P
16 Q—Q 3 ch	K—B	36 P—R 4	Q—Q 5 ch
17 B x P	R—Kt 4	37 K—Kt 2	Q—B 2
18 R—K 8	R x Q	38 P—R 4	Q—Kt 2
19 R x R ch	K—K 2	39 Kt—Q 2	Q—K 5
20 P x R	Q x R	Resigns.	

A BOOM FOR SOCCER.

Irish Team Invited to Play in This Country.

So much interest in soccer football was aroused in the West by the visit of the Pilgrims of England, who were brought out by the International Soccer Association of St. Louis, that arrangements are being made to have a team of Irish players come here in the spring. An invitation has been sent to the Irish Football League by the Peel challenge cup commission of Chicago, of which Joseph G. Davis, a former New York cricketer, is the secretary. Charles Comiskey, president of the Chicago White Sox, is interested in the undertaking. The schedule will be made up for the months of March and April.

The New York Amateur Association Football League has selected the following players for the match against the Pennsylvania Football League, to be played in Philadelphia on Christmas Day: W. Haughie, goal; H. Hynd, right back; J. Ross, left back; J. Hart, right half; J. Lyons, centre half; T. Hoyle, left half; E. Newman, D. Hastie, J. Joyce, S. Coward and R. MacCulloch, forwards. Substitutes—G. Wilson, W. Poll, W. Garland, R. O'Halloran and F. Maskell.

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R. M. RYAN, Assistant Manager.

MEN WHO ARE STRIVING FOR A CHESS TITLE.

Left to right (seated)—C. S. Hadley, C. H. Ramsdell, L. W. Stevens, J. R. Chandler, (standing) J. L. Tieman, J. W. Alexander, G. F. Parsons, jr., J. B. Beadle, E. L. Gluck, R. T. Black, F. P. Byerly, H. R. Ferger, D. B. Priest, W. M. P. Mitchell.

GAME FOR POMFRET

SCORES EIGHT GOALS.

St. Mark's Team Badly Defeated at Hockey.

In a hockey game, the outcome of which was never in doubt after the opening face-off, the Pomfret School seven, of Pomfret Centre, Conn., defeated the St. Mark's School team, of Southborough, Mass., by the score of 8 goals to 0 at the St. Nicholas Rink last night. The winning seven outweighed, outplayed and outskated the team from Massachusetts in much the same manner that St. Paul overpowered Princeton on Tuesday night. Another good sized crowd was in attendance.

The game had not been in progress long before it became noticeable that concerted action was missing among the St. Mark's boys. Under the circumstances they seldom succeeded in working the puck far into the other's domain, but when a chance did afford itself for a shot at the net Alexandre, the Pomfret goalkeeper, proved a stone wall. Furthermore, the Pomfret wings, Stevenson and Chauncey, developed both speed and skill, Chauncey, in particular, doing creditable work. He made no less than three of the eight goals.

Stevenson's eagerness to help his side along got him into difficulties in the second half, when he cross-checked Belmont, the opposing wing, sending the latter to the ice. Because of this Gus Hornfeck, the referee, sent the auburn-haired Stevenson to the side for a two minutes' breathing spell, which, by the way, was the only penalty of the night.

The game began smartly with St. Mark's on the defensive, and although pressed hard by the Connecticut seven, nothing happened in the scoring line until Whitman, Pomfret's cover point, shot a brilliant goal from the middle of the rink after six minutes of play. More hard work followed, during which the puck travelled hither and thither with little cessation, but finally Clark scored the second goal in fourteen minutes.

About this stage the St. Mark's defence seemed to waver somewhat, and the other side, taking advantage of every opening, counted rapidly, Stevenson, Norton, Chauncey and Clark all shooting goals during the remaining six minutes. That left the count 6 to 0 in favor of Pomfret at the end of the first half of twenty minutes.

Either Pomfret let up a little or else St. Mark's braced during the second period. Anyhow, there was less scoring, although it was plain to all that the Connecticut seven was always able to carry the struggle into the opposing territory. Shortly after play had been resumed Randall replaced Clintock at right wing for St. Mark's.

Chauncey made the first goal in this period by a clever side shot after nine minutes and thirty seconds of play. The same player also counted again two minutes later after a lively scrimmage immediately in front of the opposing net. In a final rally just before the end of the game St. Mark's twice threatened the other goal, but the ever ready Alexandre again dashed the hopes of the Blue.

The line-up was as follows:

Pomfret (8).	Position.	St. Marks (0).
Alexandre	Goal	Swift
Wing	Point	Stevens
Whitman	Cover point	Beetle
Norton	Rover	Cunningham
Clark	Centre	Morgan
Stevenson	Right wing	Clintock
Chauncey	Left wing	Belmont

First half—Goal by Whitman, 6:30; by Clark, 14:14; by Stevenson, 15:30; by Norton, 15:40; by Chauncey, 18:20; by Clark, 18:2. Second half—By Chauncey, 9:30; by Chauncey, 11:30. Penalty—Stevenson, 2 minutes. Referee—Gus Hornfeck. Assistant referee—J. Smeaton. Time of halves—Twenty and fifteen minutes. Substitution—Randall for McClintock.

Princeton and Williams will take the ice to-night in what promises to be an interesting, hard fought game.

POWERS RIDES WELL.

Handles Three Winners at Jacksonville Track.

Jacksonville, Fla., Dec. 22.—The Daytona Selling Stakes, valued at $1,000, the feature of the programme at Moncrief Park this afternoon, was won by Charlie Eastman, the heavily played favorite, at even money.

Guy Burns, who had the mount, eased up in the stretch, and Question Mark, with King in the saddle, finished with a rush and almost turned defeat into victory.

Powers was in excellent form and rode three winners—Ballot Box, Mary F. and Crepps Beckham. All three horses were quoted at 3 to 1 or better, so that his followers enjoyed a profitable day.

The summaries follow:

First race (purse; five and a half furlongs)—Bosom Friend, 119 (Howard), 4 to 1, won; Katherine Van, 109 (Obert), 8 to 1, second; Sister Phyllis, 114 (Trocher), 4 to 5, third. Time, 1:08. Harkaway, Mizralm, Countermand and Bitter Miss also ran.

Second race (purse; five and a half furlongs)—Lotta Creed, 105 (Page), 9 to 5, won; Ferrand Orillion, 105 (Musgrave), 6 to 5, second; Scrutiny, 105 (Howard), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:11 4-5. Ben Lohr, McLeod F., Herdsman, Colonel Austin and Martin May also ran.

Third race (selling; six furlongs)—Ballot Box, 109 (Powers), 3 to 1, won; Mystifier, 106 (King), 13 to 1, second; John A. Munro, 107 (McCarthy), 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:19. Druid, Melodeon, Dolly Bultman, Eustacian and Roseburg II also ran.

Fourth race (Daytona Selling Stakes; six and a half furlongs)—Charlie Eastman, 108 (G. Burns), even, won; Question Mark, 103 (King), 9 to 2, second; Hasty Agnes, 98 (Glanz), 7 to 1, third. Time, 1:24. Waponeca, Pocomoke and Ben Double also ran.

Fifth race (selling; seven furlongs)—Mary F., 111 (Powers), 18 to 5, won; Dr. Barkley, 109 (King), 4 to 1, second; Aunt Kate, 106 (G. Burns), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:33 3-5. St. Joseph, Billy Pullman, Royal Captive and Flarney also ran.

Sixth race (selling; one mile and a sixteenth)—Crepps Beckham, 109 (Powers), 3 to 1, won; Polar Star, 109 (Musgrave), 18 to 5, second; Mamie Algol, 111 (Burton), even, third. Time, 1:54 1-5. Low Cavanagh, Gatten Lass and Killicrankie also ran.

Football Acquitted Once More

Death of a Mackenzie Schoolboy Cannot Be Charged to the Sport.

One more name has been withdrawn from the list of fatal injuries charged to football last fall. According to a certificate signed by five physicians, Clinton Brown Kissam, a pupil in the Mackenzie School, did not die as the result of injuries received on the gridiron.

This reduces still further the fatalities in the game and lends added force to the facts as printed in The Tribune on Sunday concerning the exaggerated perils of football.

The following letter explains the desirability of further publicity on the death of young Kissam:

To the Sporting Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: Our attention having been drawn to your efforts to correct the erroneous reports circulated by the press with regard to the fatalities in football the last season, we desire to add to your information the inclosed certificate with regard to the death of one of our pupils in the middle of the football season.

The reporter, who could have called up the school by telephone without any cost to himself, and thereby have learned the exact facts, accepted the most superficial gossip of the street and sent a report to his paper to the effect that our pupil, Clinton Brown Kissam, had died as the result of an injury received in a game of football. This reckless reporter was guilty of a cruel wrong, that added to the poignant grief of a sorely stricken mother.

We offer you the professional certificate of the five physicians in charge of the case. We are all the more anxious to embrace this opportunity of making a correction because so reliable a publication as "The Educational Review" has specifically and by name included Clinton Kissam's death among the football fatalities of the last season. Very truly yours,

MACKENZIE SCHOOL.
(Per H. R.)

December 21, 1909.

The certificate inclosed in the letter and signed by five physicians follows:

After a careful study of the case of Clinton Brown Kissam, including a bacteriological examination of the spinal fluid, we are of one mind that he died of anterior polyiomyelitis, more familiarly known as infantile paralysis, which is a germ disease and could not possibly have been caused by an injury received in football or any other athletic game.

(Signed) Francis H. Stuart, M. D., No. 123 Joralemon street, Brooklyn; Flavius Packer, M. D., No. 64 West 56th street, New York City; Israel Strauss, M. D., Rockefeller Institute, New York City; Pearce Bailey, M. D., No. 52 West 53d street, New York City; Robert Denniston, M. D., Dobbs Ferry, N. Y.

FUN FOR N. Y. U. FIVE.

Princeton Badly Beaten on Basketball Court.

The New York University basketball team easily defeated the Princeton five at University Heights last night by a score of 46 to 23. The home team fairly outclassed the Tigers, baffling them by their fast team work. The New York players caged baskets almost at will in the first half, which ended with the score at 29 to 14.

Princeton braced in the second half and exhibited a strong defence for the first five minutes of play, but the New York men soon began a rapid fire at the basket, which sent the score climbing.

Girdansky, Wackenfeld and Broadhead played their usual strong game for New York. Veeder, of Princeton, was conspicuous. His ability in snooting goals from fouls helped to swell his team's score.

The line-up and summary follows:

New York (46).	Position.	Princeton (23).
Smith	Left forward	White
Wackenfeld	Right forward	John
Broadhead	Centre	Hughes
Girdansky	Left guard	Warner
Bale	Right guard	Veeder

Goals from field—New York: Longworth, Smith (5), Wackenfeld (6), Broadhead (4), Girdansky (5) and Bale; Princeton: White (2), Felt, Heath, Hughes (2), Veeder (2). Goals from foul—Broadhead (2), Veeder (7). Referee—Tom Thorpe, Columbia. Time of halves—Twenty minutes. Substitutions—Lyongworth for Smith, Heath for Felt.

WIN BY ONE BASKET.

Public School 62 Earns a Double Title.

The basket ball teams of Public School 62 won both the senior and junior elementary public school championship of Manhattan in the 22d Regiment Armory yesterday. The senior team won a hard earned victory from the five of Public School 64 after an extra period by the score of 16 to 14. The junior team had little difficulty in vanquishing the team from Public School 83 by a score of 27 to 14.

Four thousand pupils from the three schools attended the contests equipped with all kinds of noise making devices, and pandemonium reigned. The senior players of Public School 62 snatched the game from their opponents in the second half. With the score at 8 to 2 against them, the boys worked hard, and tied the score two minutes before the half ended, thanks to a pretty basket from the middle of the court by Waxman.

Waller, the clever shooter of No. 64, had an opportunity to win the game for his school when a foul was called against No. 62, but he missed the basket.

After the teams had been playing for several minutes in the extra period Tropin caged a basket, and some two thousand boys scampered on the court and carried off the winning players.

The line-up and summary follow:

P. S. 62 (16).	Position.	P. S. 64 (14).
Waxman	Right forward	Feltman
Rischer	Left forward	Diamond
Goldman	Centre	Waller
Isreal	Right guard	Zinchero
Tropin	Left guard	Stern

Goals from field—Waxman (2), Goldman (3), Tropin, Feltman (3), Diamond, Waller. Goals from foul—Waxman (4), Waller (4). Referee—T. Smith, P. S. A. L. Umpire—Harper, P. S. A. L. Time of halves—Fifteen minutes. Substitution—Friedhel for Rischer.

The juniors of Public School 62 won their title by clever team work and accurate shooting. The line-up and summary follow:

P. S. 62 (27).	Position.	P. S. 83 (14).
Archer	Right forward	Auster
Kaposk	Left forward	Jordan
Forman	Centre	Michaelson
Finkelstein	Right guard	Groop
Grassman	Left guard	Seidman

Goals from field—Archer (3), Kaposk, Forman (4), Finkelstein, Grassman, Michaelson (3). Goals from foul—Michaelson (6), Kaposk (7). Points awarded on fouls—Public School 83, 2. Referee—Harper, P. S. A. L. Umpire—T. Smith, P. S. A. L. Time of halves—Fifteen minutes. Substitution—Greenbaum for Kaposk.

YALE TO PLAY VANDERBILT.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 22.—Vanderbilt University and Yale will meet at football next season at New Haven on October 22, according to present plans. Yale's offer of a game for that date was accepted last night by the Vanderbilt games committee.

KEEN BOUTS ON MAT.

"Human Gibraltar" Crushes Rival to Floor.

Chianti flowed freely last night in those upper East Side cafés where conversations are carried on chiefly in Italian, for Giovanni Raiseviet, of Italy, the "Human Gibraltar," at one time the Greco-Roman wrestling champion of the world, easily defeated Hans Koch, said to be the wrestling champion of Germany, at the Harlem Casino. It did not take Giovanni long to make the shoulders of the German champion touch the mat, either, the time of the first fall being recorded as three minutes and twenty-two seconds and that of the second in five minutes and forty-two seconds.

The bout itself was of the "rough house" order, and the not overlarge audience, audience, among whom were many women, seemed to enjoy the fun immensely, judging by the "bravos" and similar exclamations of delight. Raiceriet looked the "Gibraltar" part, if ponderous weight is a sign, but Koch, who has a magnificent physique, was quite his equal, in looks at least. If the latter falls into capable hands he is likely to be heard from later. The "Gibraltar" used the toe hold to advantage.

Giovanni has a brother, Emilio, also built on the "Gibraltar" plan and heralded as the champion of Italy. He had an appointment to meet Noel de Bordeaux, the champion of France, but for some reason the latter did not "show up," so Signor Ruggiero, the Italian champion of Boston, took his place. Emilio didn't know much about wrestling, but he had the "Gibraltar," weighing something like a hundred pounds more than his opponent, who was a pretty well built fellow, too. Emilio won the two falls in quick time. Once he got his opponent on the mat he just laid on him and it was all over.

Signor Caramatte won the lightweight championship of the Italian Sporting Union, under whose auspices the bouts were held, by defeating Signor Inarentelli in two out of three falls. It took the latter 20 minutes and 22 seconds to get the first fall. Caramatti won the second in 10 minutes and 11 seconds, and the first named took the last fall and the championship in 7 minutes and 15 seconds.

William Meyer, of New York, and Signor Eschimi, of Boston, pulled and tugged each other for about twenty minutes, Meyer winning the contest in two straight falls.

SPORTS AT COLUMBIA.

Freshman Crew in Good Standing Once More.

The directors of the Columbia University Rowing Club are satisfied with the spirit that the freshmen have shown in the three weeks' trial and have decided formally to reinstate the crew. They have made provision, however, that if at any time in the training season Rice or the rowing club thinks that the freshmen are not living up to their word the crew will be abolished once and for all.

The directors have made a change in the constitution of the rowing club by providing that all men who ever rowed in a 'varsity eight or four at Poughkeepsie are by that fact honorary life members of the club.

Spring rowing practice will begin on January 6, the day Columbia opens after the Christmas recess. This is earlier than usual, but the coach feels that the men will need all the practice they can get to be in condition for rowing on the river later in the season. Outdoor work will probably begin on March 15.

The Columbia 'varsity hockey team, after a week's rest, will get together on next Thursday for regular practice, and on New Year's Day will play the South Orange Field Club at South Orange. Following the hard practice match with the Hockey Club of New York team on Tuesday night, which Columbia won by a score of 4 to 1, the Blue and White players are confident that they will finish the coming season with a better record than any Columbia seven has had since the sport was first taken up on Morningside Heights.

SPORTS OF THE DAY

LYNCH MAKING PLANS

Asks Help of Umpires—Jimmy Sebring Dead.

Thomas J. Lynch, the new president of the National League of Baseball Clubs, addressed a letter yesterday to the six veteran umpires—Hank O'Day, Bob Emslie, Steve Kane, James E. Johnstone, William J. Klem and Charles Rigler—asking them to communicate with him as to where most of their troubles with the players originated last season and whether coachers, managers or "bench warmers" were primarily at fault.

President Lynch, who was one of the best umpires in the history of the game, hopes to curtail the friction that has existed in the past between the umpires and players. His letter says in part:

"As a National League umpire, I want you to answer to the best of your ability this question:

"Where did most of your trouble with the ball players last season come from—the team playing the game, the coachers, the managers or the players sitting on the bench?

"As your answer will have important bearing on some reforms for both umpires and players that I wish to make in the running of the game on the diamond next season, I want you to give this question careful study and report to me at your earliest convenience."

Word comes from Williamsport, Penn., of the death of James D. Sebring, the well known baseball player. He died there in a hospital on Tuesday evening after a short illness.

Jimmy Sebring played centre field for Brooklyn in the early part of last season, but was released unconditionally in the summer, as he failed to play up to the promise of his earlier days in the major league. Sebring made a name for himself as a hard hitter and clever fielder with Pittsburg and Cincinnati, but when released by the latter club to Chicago some years ago he jumped his contract and joined a club in the then outlaw Tri-State League. When the Tri-State joined the ranks of organized baseball Sebring was signed by President Ebbets of the Brooklyn team.

Bill Dahlen, the new manager of the Superbas, is continuing to weed out some of the players on the Brooklyn reserve list, and has now asked waivers from the other clubs on fourteen men.

Dahlen, one of the keenest strategists of the game, has a suggestion to offer on the rule governing the following play:

With one man out and runners on first and third the batter hits a fly to the outfield and the man on first races down to second before the ball is caught. The fielder throws to first, doubling up the runner who had gone down to second for the third out, but in the mean time the man on third scores.

This run is allowed to count under the rules, but Dahlen insists that it should not. He declares that almost invariably such a play is caused by stupid base running, and even might be brought about intentionally by a player in order to get across what might prove to be the winning run.

He says, further, that not only is a team benefited under this rule by the stupidity of one of its players, but the opposing club is penalized, although it is playing the game. He insists that the double play is a continuous one, just the same as though there were a force out, and that the run should not count.

A. J. Joyner, one of the most popular trainers of the day, sailed on the Mauretania yesterday for England to take up the horses of Harry Payne Whitney and prepare them for their early engagements next year. Joyner, who enjoyed a most successful season on the English tracks this year, sending many winners to the post, will have thirty-two horses in his charge next season, including a two-year-old by Persimmon for which Mr. Whitney paid $13,000.

Before sailing Mr. Joyner spoke in glowing terms of Whiskbroom, a coming three-year-old by Broomstick, which is rated only three pounds behind Lemberg and six behind Neil Gow, the champion two-year-old of England last year and the present favorite for the Derby. Whiskbroom is not eligible for the blue ribbon fixture of the English turf, but is well engaged in other stakes.

Alfredo De Oro, champion of the world at three-cushion billiards, issued a sweeping challenge yesterday. He said: "I will play Hoppe, Slosson, Sutton, Cline, Demarest, Cutler or Morningstar at three-cushion billiards for $2,000 a side, under any conditions and at any number of points they may suggest."

This challenge was the outcome of a statement credited to Willie Hoppe, in which the "boy wonder" said he had set his heart on winning three titles, at 18.1, 18.2 and three cushions. Hoppe said yesterday that he was not a three-cushion player and did not propose to become one. Morningstar also made light of the challenge on the same grounds. Hoppe added:

"The games are almost as distinctly different as balkline billiards and pool. I appreciate De Oro's mastery of the angle game. It is unlikely that I could make a good match with him after a year's practice."

MUST CHANGE RULES.

Faculty at Wesleyan Declares Itself on Football.

Middletown, Conn., Dec. 22.—By a vote of the faculty of Wesleyan University today, Professor F. W. Nicolson, who will represent the university at the annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association in New York next week, has been instructed to inform that body that Wesleyan is opposed to the football rules as they now stand.

Wesleyan's football schedule for 1910 as announced to-day comprises nine games. The opening contest will be with Yale at New Haven on September 28, and the season will close on November 19, in a game with Bowdoin. The schedule follows:

September 28, Yale at New Haven; October 1, Rutgers at Middletown; October 8, Amherst at Middletown; October 15, Hamilton at Middletown; October 22, Union at Schenectady; October 29, Trinity at Middletown; November 7, New York University at New York; November 12, Williams at Williamstown; November 19, Bowdoin (place to be named later).

JACK GLEASON HAS HIS SAY.

Disagrees with Rickard as to Place for the Big Fight.

San Francisco, Dec. 22.—Jack Gleason, who is associated with "Tex" Rickard in the promotion of the Jeffries-Johnson fight, said here yesterday that he did not think there was any chance that the big bout would be held in Salt Lake City, and that he was certain enough of it to wager $5,000 to that effect.

Gleason argues that there is no possible chance of getting positive assurance that the authorities will offer no interference, and that unless such assurance is received there is too much at stake to risk having the bout prevented at the last minute.

He made the statement in response to one given out by Rickard, who seems to feel sure the fight will be staged in the Utah city

TIMELY AUTOTOPICS

LOUIS STRANG HOME.

Daring Driver Tells of His Latest Record.

Louis Strang has returned from Indianapolis, where he drove his 175-horsepower Fiat car five miles in 3 minutes 17 seconds at the races held on the new speedway last week.

In speaking of the performance yesterday, Strang said that he believed he could have made still better time had it not been for the extremely cold weather. The conditions during the contests, he said, reminded one of Greenland and the Far North. Then again, he believed that the corners of the speedway are not yet banked enough to get all the speed out of a car.

The course before the meeting last week has been surficed with with vitrified brick, which cuts like a knife. Strang declared that after his five-mile record drive it was surprising to see how the bricks had worn down the inside of the tires. The rubber was all stripped off to the fabric.

Strang said that he regretted to hear that there was only a slim chance of an contests being held on the Ormond-Daytona beach this winter, as he was perfectly confident that his car could beat the mile record of 28 1-5 seconds made by Marriott in his Stanley steamer a few years ago.

The Long Island Automobile Club has sent out invitations for its usual New Year's Eve supper, between the hours of 10 and 12 o'clock. The purpose of the feast will be to see the old year out, and a jolly time is expected. Women friends of the members have been invited. Those desiring to attend can have tables reserved in advance by notifying Edwin Melvin, chairman of the entertainment committee.

At a meeting of the Cleveland Automobile Show Company, held the first of the week, the members decided to sign for more space and to spend more money on decorations than ever before.

An important change, to be effected gradually during the next six months in the operating plans of the Chalmers-Detroit and the Hudson Motor Car companies has just been announced.

Beginning not later than July 1 next these two companies will be owned and operated separately. Heretofore they have been largely owned and controlled by one group of men, the controlling group in both companies consisting of Hugh Chalmers, R. E. Thomas, R. D. Chapin, H. E. Coffin, F. O. Bezner, James J. Brady, Lee Counselman, J. L. Hudson, R. B. Jackson and George W. Dunham.

Some time during the spring, according to the announcement given out by Mr. Chalmers and Mr. Chapin, three of the present Chalmers-Detroit officers, namely, Messrs. Coffin, Bezner and Chapin, will assume control of, an ddevote their time and attention to the Hudson Motor Car Company, while Messrs. Chalmers, Counselman, Brady, Ford and Pfeffer will continue with the Chalmers-Detroit Motor Company. Mr. Chalmers as president and general manager, Mr. Counselman as vice-president and assistant general manager, Mr. Brady as second vice-president and factory manager, H. W. Ford as secretary, and C. A. Pfeffer as treasurer.

Mr. Dunham, chief engineer of the Hudson Motor Car Company, will assume a similar capacity in the Chalmers-Detroit concern.

The new officers of the Hudson Motor Car Company will be: J. L. Hudson, chairman of the board; D. D. Chapin, president; H. E. Coffin, vice-president; F. O. Bezner, secretary; R. B. Jackson, treasurer and general manager, and E. C. Morse, sales manager. Mr. Jackson has been treasurer and general manager of the Hudson company since its inception.

BILLIARD AND POOL NOTES.

George H. Sutton, the handless billiard player, defeated Sylvester Levy in two 18.2 balkline exhibition games at McGraw's academy yesterday. Sutton played well in the evening game, winning by 150 to 51, for an average of 13. In the other game Sutton won by 150 to 68.

John J. McGraw, the manager of the Giants, will play a match with Sutton at 2:30 o'clock to-morrow.

Louis Mangus defeated James Blair in the three-cushion tournament at Doyle's Academy last night by a score of 40 to 30. Mangus had a high run of 6.

In a close and interesting game Charles Grogan, of Manhattan, defeated Arthur Barrow, of Brooklyn, in the continuation of the pool tournament at the Orpheum Billiard Academy last night by a score of 125 to 115. Grogan's high run was 31 and Barrow's 27.

BIGGER DRYDOCKS URGED.

One at Pearl Harbor to Accommodate Longest Ships.

Washington, Dec. 22.—Contending that it would be a grave mistake to build the $2,000,000 drydock at Pearl Harbor just long enough to take the Wyoming, the largest battleship, Chief Hollyday of the Bureau of Yards and Docks has submitted a memorandum to the Secretary of the Navy, who favors the enlargement of the dock. Mr. Hollyday also considers the enlargement of the Norfolk dock at a cost of $250,000 a very important project.

If, under authority from Congress, the Navy Department should make the Pearl Harbor dock sixty feet longer than now planned, it would hold the Northern Pacific liner Minnesota, probably the largest ship on the Pacific, which is 627 feet long. Chairman Foss of the House Naval Affairs Committee is in favor of making a dock at Pearl Harbor "for all time."

BIG PROFIT IN TRACTION SALE.

Emerson McMillin, chairman of the board of the American Light and Traction Company, announced yesterday that that company had obtained for its stock in the Quebec-Jacques Cartier Electric Company, which has been sold to the new Quebec Light, Heat and Power Company, about $1,400,000, and that Emerson McMillin & Co. and James M. McCarthy, owners of the Frontenac Gas Company, had sold that property to the same purchaser for a sum in excess of $500,000. The American Light and Traction Company bought the Quebec-Jacques Cartier Electric Company four years ago for $330,000.

MAY ENLARGE DRYDOCK NO. 3.

Washington, Dec. 22.—As soon as the Navy Department, through contractors, gets Drydock No. 4 at New York completed, it will probably ask for an appropriation for lengthening Drydock No. 3, according to Assistant Secretary Winthrop.

"Would Drydock No. 4 accommodate a vessel as large as one of those the English government is building?" asked Representative Padgett of Mr. Winthrop.

"I cannot answer that question offhand," replied Mr. Winthrop.

READY TO LAUNCH THE UTAH.

Philadelphia, Dec. 22.—Governor William Spry of Utah, with his family and a party of friends, arrived in this city to-day to attend the launching of the battleship Utah to-morrow at Camden. Miss Mary A. Spry, daughter of the Governor, will name the battleship

IN ARMY AND NAVY

Military Roads in Alaska Needed.

[From The Tribune Bureau.]

Washington, December 22.

ASKS $150,000 MORE.—Major W. P. Richardson, 9th Infantry, has arrived at the War Department from Alaska, where he has been on duty as head of the Board of Alaska Road Commissioners superintending the expenditure of $250,000 appropriated at the last session of Congress for the construction and maintenance of military and post roads, bridges and trails in the great northwestern territory. It will be necessary to obtain from Congress as soon as possible, Major Richardson finds, a supplemental appropriation of $150,000, to be used in connection with the amount last appropriated. That sum was intended to cover the work for two years, based on estimates submitted by the board of road commissioners, and embracing what appeared at that time to be necessary under the conditions of proper aid along this line in the development of the territory.

The plans of the board have not been changed, but, unfortunately, an unusual season of rain prevailed through the interior, which flooded the streams, destroyed property and delayed the work of the board to an extent which increased the cost of the Valdez-Fairbanks road alone to an amount equal to $80,000, and the cost of damage and delays to the work in other parts of the interior would probably bring this total to $100,000. That sum, indeed, represents a deficiency estimate to cover losses which could not have been expected by the board. The additional $50,000 is considered necessary by Major Richardson in view of the discovery, late in the season, of a new district known as the "Iditarod." There have been received already repeated and urgent appeals for early aid in the construction of a winter road from the head of Cook Inlet to the new district.

ORDERS ISSUED.—The following orders have been issued:

ARMY.

Colonel JOSEPH F. HUSTON, 19th Infantry, to home, preparatory to retirement from active service.

First Lieutenant CHARLES C. BURT, coast artillery, assigned to 116th Company, to Fort Screven.

Leaves of absence: Colonel JOSEPH F. HUSTON, 19th Infantry, to February 23; Captain JAY P. HOPKINS, coast artillery, and Captain RUSH S. WELLS, 14th Cavalry, one month; First Lieutenant E. ALEXIS JEUNET, 13th Infantry, two months from January 2.

NAVY.

Commander W. S. SMITH, detached board of inspection and survey, Washington; to duty as member of board of inspection and survey of ships.

Lieutenant Commander G. W. WILLIAMS, detached the Montana; to command Atlantic torpedo fleet.

Lieutenant Commander D. M. WOOD, detached the New York; to the Montana.

Ensign E. R. SHIPP, detached command of the Rowan; to command the Paul Jones.

Ensign W. T. GRIFFITH, detached the Hopkins; to command the Stewart.

Ensign E. A. SWANSON, detached the Goldsborough; to command the Preble.

Ensign S. H. LAWTON, jr