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BALL TEN YEARS AGO.

STARS WHO WERE STARS THEN ARE NOW FORGOTTEN.

The Champion Bostons of 1883 and the Present Boston Pennant Winners—Brouthers the Only One of the Detroit "Big Four" Left—Anson's Great Chicago Team Scattered—Few Old-Timers in the Game.

Does the baseball crank of to-day ever stop to think what changes have taken place during the last ten years? Does he consider how many players who were brilliant stars in 1883 are now in this season of 1893 entirely forgotten? Of the men who figured as National League players in '83 there are now playing ball the following: Jim O'Rourke, Dan Brouthers, Anson, Kelly, Pfeffer, Burns, Glasscock, Bennett, Conner, Ward, Ewing, Denny, Cliff Carroll, Wise, and Radford. The others have sunk into oblivion, and these remaining have only a few years more to shine in the eyes of the bleacherites.

Just ten years ago the Bostons were winning the League pennant just as the Bostons are getting there this season. But what a difference in the champions of '83 and the champions of '93! Not one of the former is playing to-day except Paul Radford and Sam Wise of the Washingtons. In those days Bostonians doted on big Jim Whitney, the swiftest pitcher in the country, now dead. Then there was Charley Buffinton, whose great drop ball was the wonder of the day. "Buff" has retired and is living in Fall River, Mass. Whitney's catcher was Mike Hines, and Buffinton's "receiver" was Mertie Hackett, both of whom have long since given up the game. On first base was one of the then cleverest fielders in the profession, John F. Morrill. He was the manager and captain of the team, and was regarded as the star handler of players in that year. Morrill is engaged at present in the sporting goods business in Boston. The "King of Second Basemen" was none other than John Burdock, "Black Jack," as he was familiarly known in Boston. Burdock was his own worst enemy, and soon had to give way to younger and more ambitious players. He is in Brooklyn out of a job now, although playing an occasional game with local semi-professional teams.

Ezra Sutton played third base, and was the League's king pin in this position until he was displaced by Billy Nash. "Uncle Ezra" retired soon after to take care of his flour mill up in the State somewhere. Big Sam Wise was the short stop, and a great one, too. Liquor ruined this player's ability, but recently he took the pledge, and this summer has electrified old timers with his wonderful work for the Washingtons. Joe Hornung, now a League umpire, was Boston's star left fielder, and the longest thrower in the League. Joe quit ball playing this year when he was released by the Providence Club of the Eastern League. The centre fielder was a man named Smith, who dropped out of baseball a year or so after he left Boston in '84. Paul Radford played right field, and was a fine player then, as he is now.

The old Bostons were remarkable for the fact that there was absolutely no key possessing like in the present Boston team, and their games were won by hard, clean playing, coupled with magnificent team work. The Bostons of to-day are entirely different. They are noisy and are sometimes inclined to play "dirty ball." Their team is composed of men who have revolutionized baseball with a new system of team work and scientific play that makes them well nigh invincible.

There were eight cities in the League in 1883, representing Boston, Providence, New York, Philadelphia, Buffalo, Cleveland, Chicago, and Detroit. The New Yorks had such well-known players as Clapp, Hankinson, Troy, Welch, Dorgan, Caskins, Gillespie, Connor, O'Brien, Ward, and Ewing, of whom only Connor and Ward of the present New York team and Ewing of the Clevelands are left. Anson had a great team in Chicago, in marked contrast to the present outfit that is having hard work keeping away from the tail end. Then "Anse" held the rod over Mike Kelly, the "King." Fred Goldsmith and Larry Corcoran, the celebrated pitchers; Fred Pfeffer, Ed Williamson, Tommy Burns, Dalrymple, Silver Flint, and George Gore. Anson is still in the game, although he is expected to retire before another season ends. Kelly has seen his best days, and will be released by the New York Club this fall. Pfeffer is playing second base for the Louisvilles. Burns is managing and playing second base for the Springfield Eastern League team. Flint and Corcoran are dead. Gore is in the saloon business opposite the Polo grounds in this city. Dalrymple was last heard of in the Pacific Northwestern League, and Goldsmith has dropped out of sight.

Of the Buffalos Brouthers and O'Rourke are still playing in the League. Hardy Richardson, Jim White, and Jack Rowe who, with Brouthers, constituted the famous "Big Four" of the old Buffalos to Detroit, are out of it, although Rowe has been playing some with the Buffalo Eastern League team. Curry Foley, "Orator" Shaffer, Pitcher Derby, Little "Davy" Force, Doc Kennedy, and Jimmy Galvin were numbered among the "has beens." Glasscock is the only member of the Cleveland team of 1883 still at the old game. Pete Hotaling, Jim McGormick, Fred Dunlap, "One-armed" Dailey, "Big Bill" Phillips, Briody, Tom York, Jake Evans, Mike Muldoon, George Washington Bradley, and "Doctor" Bushong are all on the retired list.

The Providence Grays have also been scattered to the winds. Jerry Denny of the Louisvilles and Cliff Carroll of the Bostons are all that is left of the once great team. Joe Start, the first baseman, Vincent Nava, and Barney Gilligan, the catchers, "Old Hoss" Radbourn, pitcher, Short Stop Arthur Irwin, Second Baseman Jack Farrell, Richmond, Paul Hines, and Casey are all dead to the baseball world.

Charley Bennett, Boston's catcher, alone represents the old Detroit nine of 1883, which contained Sadie Houck, Ed Hanlon, Powell, Sam Trott, Joe Farrell, Joe Quest, Dick Burns, George Wood, Pitcher Wiedman, and Tom Mansell. Harry Wright's Philadelphias of that year have all disappeared from public view. Emil Gross, the catcher, Fred Lewis, Jack Manning, Catcher Gaunt, John Neagle, "Bill" McClellan, Catcher Ringo, who is dead, Hardie Henderson, "Blondie" Purcell, and John Coleman, the pitcher, were members of the team.

Ten years have certainly worked wonders in baseball; but let the crank ask himself this question and then ponder: How many of the present League stars will be doing their turn before the cranks ten years from now, in 2003? Not many.

Gossip of the Ring.

E. Hunt.—George Dixon is 5 feet 3¼ inches tall.

"Chick" Johnson, an east side bantam, wants to arrange a fight with Charley Kelly at 108 pounds for a purse.

The date of the Leeds-Ernst contest, which was originally scheduled to take place at Coney Island on Aug. 18, has been changed to Monday, Oct. 9.

Jimmy Danforth says that as he has heard nothing from Cal McCarthy he is willing to take on somebody else in his class. He thinks McCarthy is afraid of him.

A subscriber New York.—The purse for which George Dixon and Eddie Pierce battled at Coney Island on Aug. 7 was supposed to have been $6,500, of which $500 went to the loser.

Billy Edwards has returned from his vacation, and his numerous friends are glad to see him back. For the past two months he has been rusticating at Saratoga, and is very much improved in health.

Joe Lewis, backer of Billy Smith, told a reporter of THE SUN yesterday that Smith was willing to fight Tommy Ryan of Chicago to a finish, providing, of course, a tempting inducement is forthcoming.

Fred Morris, "the Black Cyclone," is very anxious to arrange a match with Billy Smith or Tom Tracey to a finish. He will fight Billy Hennessy, if the latter will meet him at from 140 to 142 pounds, to a finish.

Dick Abrams, Solly Smith's manager, said he was unsuccessful in getting his $1,000 forfeit back which he deposited with the Columbian A. C. to arrange a fight with Dixon. Abrams now threatens to bring suit for the amount.

Walter Edgerton, known as the "Kentucky Rosebud," has been matched to fight Barney Hubbard of Boston fifteen rounds, before the Crib Club, Boston, on Oct. 3. The men are to weigh 122 pounds at the ringside, and ba.e for a purse of $750.

Billy Hill, the "Pickaninny," told a SUN reporter yesterday that as he had not managed to get a fight sober only for a purse at 122 pounds, weigh in at 8 o'clock on the day of the contest, or at 120 pounds, give or take a pound, weigh in at 1 o'clock.

Dan Creedon has made up his mind to fight Joe Butler, the colored middleweight of Philadelphia, for the $5,000 purse which the Coney Island A. C. offered a few weeks ago. Col. John R. Hopkins, his manager, has notified the Coney Island people to that effect.

Col. Hopkins, who has Tom Tracey, the Australian lightweight, under his management, finds it rather difficult to arrange a match for his protégé. He wants to put him against anybody in the world. It is likely, since Billy Smith has been unable to get on a fight with Dempsey, that the latter will meet the Australian.

A. P. Ripley, Livingston—Jack McAuliffe and Billy Myer fought before the Olympic A. C. of New Orleans on Sept. 5, 18 2. for a $1,000 purse and a side wager of $5,000. McAuliffe weighed 134½ pounds, and Myer 137½. The fight was 108 rounds. John L. Sullivan and Jim Corbett fought before the same club on Sept. 7, 1892, for a $25,000 purse and a stake of $10,000 a side. Sullivan weighed 212 pounds, and Corbett 178.

Dooney Harris, the old-time middleweight champion, is suffering from lung troubles and a series of complicated diseases at his home, 260 West Twentieth street. Harris is in destitute circumstances and wishes to see some of his old friends again before he dies. A SUN reporter visited the unfortunate pugilist yesterday and found him to be very ill, and he says his friends intend to arrange a benefit for him. Stanton Abbott and George Young, and Billy Edwards, whom Harris trained for Billy Mack in the ring, are interesting themselves in Harris's behalf.

In answer to Tommy Creedy's willingness to meet him, Jerry Barnett writes to THE SUN as follows: "I observe that Tommy Creed has changed mind to fight him to a finish. I take a great deal of pleasure to state that as I have beaten him twice, and left no room for doubt as to my superiority over him, I don't think it is necessary to fight him again. Let him go and whip Mazey Haugh, the conqueror of one of the boxers in my class, and then I will offer to fight him on Oct. 9. I am out for better card.

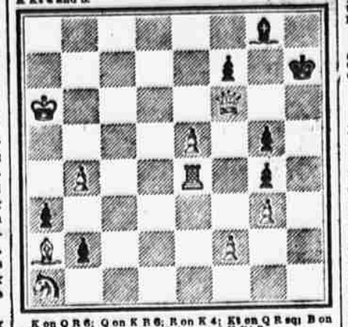
Billy Plimmer intends to become a citizen of this country, as he will take out his first papers in a few days. "I like America so much that I propose to make it my permanent home," he said to a SUN reporter yesterday. "Of course, I'll take a trip home once in a while." Industrial Palace Hall has been secured for Plimmer's proposed benefit. It will be held on Sept. 14. Plimmer denies he ever said Dixon would defeat Smith.

OUR CHESS CORNER.

PROBLEM NO. 157—BY THE LATE B. B. WORMALD OF LONDON, ENGLAND.

BLACK—SEVEN PIECES.

K on K R 2; B on K Kt sq; Ps on Q R 6, Q Kt 7, K B 2, K Kt 4 and 5.



K on Q R 6; Q on K R 6; R on K 4; Kt on Q R sq; B on Q R 2; Ps on Q Kt 4, K 5, K R 2, and K Kt 3.

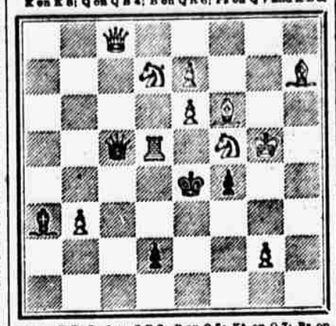
WHITE—NINE PIECES.

White to play and mate in three moves.

PROBLEM NO. 158—BY T. H. BILLINGTON, BIRMINGHAM, ENGLAND.

BLACK—FIVE PIECES.

K on K 8; Q on Q B 4; B on Q R 6; Ps on Q 7 and K B 5.



K on K Kt 5; Q on Q B 8; R on Q 5; Kt on Q 7; Bs on K B 5 and K R 7; Ps on Q Kt 3, K 3, K 7, and K Kt 3.

WHITE—ELEVEN PIECES.

White to play and mate in two moves.

SOLUTIONS TO PROBLEMS NOS. 155 AND 156.

The following is the author's solution to No. 155:

1. B—Q sq, Kt—Q 7; 2. Q—K R 4 ch, K x Q; 3. B—B 6, mate.
1. B—Q sq, Kt—Q 7; 2. Q—K R 4 ch, K—B 4; 3. Q—B 6, mate.
1. B—Q sq, Kt—Q 7; 2. Q—K B 4 ch, K—Kt 5; 3. Q—B 6, mate.
1. B—Q sq, Kt—R 6; 2. Q—K R 4 ch, K x Q, K—B 4 or K—Kt 5; 3. B or Q mates.
1. B—Q sq, Kt—B 6; 2. Q—K R 4 ch, K x Q, K—B 4 or K—Kt 5; 3. Q or R mates.
1. B—Q sq, K—Kt 8; 2. Q x P ch, K x Q; 3. B—B 5, mate.
1. B—Q sq, K—Kt 8; 2. Q x P ch, K—Kt 4; 3. Q—K 5, mate.
1. B—Q sq, B—K 8; 2. R—K 5 ch, K—Kt 8; 3. B—B 5, mate.
1. B—Q sq, B—K 8; 2. R—K 5 ch, B—B 4; 3. Q—Kt 4, mate.
1. B—Q sq, B—Kt 4; 2. Q x B, mate.
1. B—Q sq, B—Q 2; 2. Q—R 4 ch, K x Q, K—B 4, or K—Kt 5; 3. Q or B mates.
1. B—Q sq, B—B sq; 2. Q—R 4 ch, K x Q, K—B 4, or K—Kt 5; 3. Q or B mates.
1. B—Q sq, R—K 7; 2. R x P ch, K—B 4; 3. Kt—B 6, mate.
1. B—Q sq, R—K 7; 2. R x P ch, K—B 4; 3. Q x R, mate.
1. B—Q sq, R—K R 7; 2. R x P ch, K—R 4, B 4 or B—Kt 5; 3. Kt or Q mates.
1. B—Q sq, R—K B 7; 2. R x P ch, K—R 4, B 4 or B—Kt 5; 3. Kt or Q mates.
1. B—Q sq, R—Q 7; 2. R x P ch, K—R 4, B 4 or B—Kt 5; 3. Kt or Q mates.
1. B—Q sq, P—B 4; 2. Q—B 4 ch, K—Kt 8, R—K 6, mate.
1. B—Q sq, P—B 3; 3. Q—R 4 ch, K x Q; 3. B—B x P, mate.
1. B—Q sq, P—B 3; 2. Q—R 4 ch, K—B 4 or Kt 8; 3. Q x P, mate.
1. B—Q sq, P—R 3; 2. Q—R 4 ch, K x Q, K—B 4 or Kt 8; 3. Q—B 5, mate.
1. B—Q sq, P—R 4; 2. Q—Kt 8, mate.
1. B—R sq; B x P; 2. K x B, mate.

Correct solutions received from W. L. Knight, Boston, Mass.; M. W. Franks, New York; Henry Simmonds, New York; H. J. Fechtler, Brooklyn; John Richards, Brooklyn; A. Cohen, New York; S. Targent, Newark, N. J.; A. Walter, Brooklyn; Alexander Friend, New York; A. W. Richman, Paterson, N. J.; Charles Freundlich, New York; A Beginner, Albany, N. Y.; W. N. Masterson, Buffalo, N. Y.; Otto Weber, Brooklyn; Adolph Schirer, New York; Herbert Yates, Jersey City; Henry W. Smith, New York; F. W. Wright, New York; Francis Bodenstedt, New York; Louis W. Linter, Newark, N. J.; Jacob Levy, New York; Noblesse Oblige, New York; Max Erkenberg, Brooklyn; Nemo, New York; Eugene Carter, Boston, Mass.; A New Island, New York; A. N. Other, New York; Junior, New York; Right You Are, New York; Stephen G. Ruth, New York; Joseph Bradley, Brooklyn; Otto Lehmann, New York; F. W. Herrmann, Brooklyn; Adolph Siegel, Hoboken, N. J.; F. M. Teed, New York.

The following is the author's solution to No. 156:

1. Q—R sq, Q x Q; 2. R—Q sq, dis. mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q x Kt; 2. R—Q 4, dis. mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q x R; 2. Q x P, mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q x P; 2. K—Kt 6, mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q—Kt 6; 2. Kt—Kt 6, mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q—B 5; 2. Kt—Kt 6, mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q—R 6; 2. R—Q 3, dis. mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q—Kt 8; 2. R—Q 8, dis. mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q—Kt 1; 2. R—Q 7, dis. mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q—Kt 7; 2. R x Q, dis. mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q—Q 7; 2. R x Q, dis. mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q—K 7; 2. Kt—Kt 6, mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q—B 7; 2. R—Kt 6, mate.
1. Q—R sq, Q—Kt 7; 2. Kt—Kt 6, mate.
1. Q—R sq, P—R 3; 2. Kt—Kt 6, mate.
1. Q—R sq, P—R 4; 2. R—Kt 6, mate.
1. Q—R sq; B x P; 2. K x B, mate.

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HUNGARIAN GEMS.

The other day the death of Franz Erkel, the famous Hungarian musical composer, was announced in THE SUN. It was statistical at the time to say that Erkel was considered one of the finest of European chess players. Appended are two interesting games played by this expert:

EVANS GAMBIT.

EREKI. White.	SZEN. Black.	EREKI. White.	SZEN. Black.
1 P—K	P—K	9 B—Kt 2	Kt—R 3
2 Kt—K B 3	Kt—Q B 3	10 Q Kt—Q 2	P—Q 4
3 B—B 4	B—B 4	11 P x P	Kt x P
4 P—Q Kt 4	B x P	12 B—K 3	B—K 3
5 P—K 3	P—Q 4	13 Kt—K 4	P—B 3
6 Castles	P—Q 3	14 R—K sq	K—B 2
7 P—Q 4	P x P	15 Kt—Q 6 ch (!)	
8 P x P	P—Kt 3		

BLACK (SZEN)—FOURTEEN PIECES.

WHITE (EREKI)—THIRTEEN PIECES.

15	P x Kt	22 P x P ch	K—B 2
16 R x B (!)	K x R	23 Kt—Q 4	R—K 4
17 R x Kt ch	K—Q 2	24 Kt—R 5 ch	R x Kt
18 R—B sq	K—B sq	25 Q x R	Q—K 2
19 Q—B 4	P—Kt 3	26 R—Q sq	R—Q sq
20 B x Kt ch	P x B	27 P—Q 6	P—Kt sq
21 P—Q 5	R—B sq	28 R—B sq and wins	

There is no defence for the threatening B x P ch.

KING'S BISHOP'S GAMBIT.

EREKI. White.	SZEN. Black.	EREKI. White.	SZEN. Black.
1 P—K	P—K 4	19 Kt x Q P (!)	K x Kt
2 P—K B 4	P x P	20 Kt x Kt P ch	K—B 3
3 B—B 4	Q—R 5 ch	21 P—Q 6 ch	K—Kt sq
4 K—B sq	Q—K Kt 4	22 Q—R 5 ch	K—B 2
5 Kt—K B 3	B—Kt 2	23 Kt—Q 7 ch	B x Kt
6 P—K Kt 3	P x P	24 Q—K 4 ch	B—K 4
7 K—Kt 2	Q—R 5	25 B x B	K x B ch
8 P—Q 4	P—K 3	26 K—Kt	Q x P ch
9 P—Q 4	Q—R 3	27 B—K 2	R—K 2
10 Kt—R 3	P—K R 3	28 Q—R 5 (!)	R—Q 5
11 P x P	Q—Q sq	29 P—Q 7	B 3 ch
12 P—K 5	Kt—K 2	30 R—B 3	R—Kt 8
13 R—R 3	B—Q 2	31 R x Q	R x Q
14 P x P	P x P	32 R—K 8	Kt—Q 3
15 Q—Q 2	Q—Kt—B 3	33 R x Kt	Q R—Q sq
16 Q R—K sq	P—R 3	34 B—K 5	R R—Kt sq
17 P—Q 5	Kt—K 4	35 B—Kt 8	R—Kt 8
18 Kt—K 4	Kt—B sq	36 R x R and wins.	

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

F. M. Teed, New York.—Much obliged for your kind consideration in sending two prettty problems. F. H. Mitchell, Jr.—The Committee of the Columbian Chess Congress has adjourned sine die; the Secretary's name is F. G. Janusch, Manhattan Chess Club, Twenty-second street, New York city; at Brentano's, New York; no. Steinitz has not completed the second volume; the German Handbook, Staunton, Chase for Beginners, by L. B. Swinton, London, 1895. G. H. —Dosch's Theoretical Bus, No. 2,209 Second Avenue, New York city.

E. Y.—Your letter sent 146 has been misplaced; please send the query again, together with the diagram of the said problem. Wm. A. G. Ve. Harrington, N. J.—For neither A. G. Ve. Harrington, N. J.—Your criticism seems to be unjust. H. Brooklyn—Appended you will find some specimens of Erkel's games. A. B., Albany—Anson was born on Nov. 10, 1848, at Kilkenny, Ireland. He has a brother in New York, but THE SUN cannot give you his address. N. J. G., New York—Ernest Morphy was an uncle and teacher of Paul Morphy. T. M. D., Hoboken—Lasker's periodical is called the London Chess Fortnightly.

A LOCAL HANDICAP.

Chess players are invited to take part in the fourth annual handicap of the Luenemann Chess Club, at 28 Clinton place, New York. All comers are welcome to enter. Play will commence on Sept. 11.

THE Y. M. C. A.'S BIG DAY.

Plenty of Sport to be Provided at Wanamassa—Gymnasium Work Begins.

The Labor Day games of the Y. M. C. A. at Wanamassa Camp are attracting more attention than it was generally thought they would. They will be in the nature of a tri-State reunion, as Christians from New Jersey, New York, and Pennsylvania will participate. Many of the men who have wheels rode to Wanamassa yesterday. The camp consists of fifteen acres of land, divided into two plots, on Deal Lake, N. J. Each plot is a peninsula, one containing the tents and buildings, the other being a remarkably good athletic field. The field covers seven acres. On these are a gymnasium 30 by 60 feet, furnished with the best modern apparatus, a bowling alley 30 by 100 feet, with regulation alleys; baseball diamond, lawn tennis courts, croquet grounds, track, and a grand stand which seats several hundred persons. Then there are fine boating and bathing facilities. The camp proper consists of an executive office building and residence, a grand auditorium 80 feet square and seating 2,000 persons, a well-ventilated kitchen and dining room which seats 250 persons, and 100 tents 12 by 14 feet laid out in streets and having boarded floors. Each of the tents will accommodate four persons.

The East Eighty-sixth street branch of the city association are getting ready for gymnasium work. The room has been repaired, and was reopened to gymnasts last Friday. The gymnasium classes for the season will be as follows: Afternoon classes, Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, from 5 to 5¾ o'clock; regular evening classes in gymnastics, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, from 8:10 to 9 o'clock; Wednesday and Friday evenings, classes in athletics, a new feature, from 8:10 to 9 o'clock. The branch will engage in four bowling tournaments, as follows: The free bowling, inter-branch, a tournament with New York and New Jersey association clubs, and the annual branch spring tournament. Director Howland has arranged several attractive gymnastic and athletic contests for the winter. On Sept. 11 there will be a grand opening meeting at the branch. In October an extensive exhibition of gymnastic work for members and their friends will be held. A valuable feature of the season's work at Yorkville will be four illustrated talks by W. H. Stumpfel, Edmund J. Woodward, Dr. J. Giannini, James H. McCurdy, M. D., Dr. Watson L. Savage, Dr. Adolph Rupp, Dr. W. L. Stowell, and Dr. D. P. Pease.

The Prospect Park branch of Brooklyn intends to establish a temporary gymnasium in the basement of their new home. When funds can be secured the branch will build a new place on grounds adjoining their mansion. The Ladies' Auxiliary of the branch will hold a fair in October for the benefit of the fund. At present the ground is being used by the team's players, and there is some talk of holding a tournament this month. The crack players are: Harry Woodford, Longthor, Harry Braus, John Sundell, and Charlie Gold. The Prospects are holding a chess tournament. Arthur A. Michel, Thomas R. Green, and William R. Wilson, are looked upon as possible winners.

The baseball team of the Eighty-sixth street branch have arranged the following games this summer: Beat the Staten Island Y. M. C. A. by 15 to 6, lost to the Washington Heights team by 9 to 18, beat the Twenty-third street branch by 16 to 5, lost to the Mt. Vernons by 11 to 12, lost to the Y. M. C. A. of Paterson by 12 to 13, beat the Young Men's Institute by 10 to 0, beat the Monarch club by 16 to 15, beat the Roanokes by 9 to 3, beat the Alphas by 2 to 7. The team are: Luk J. La Rolle, catcher; William M. Esterbrook, pitcher; Theodore Hastings, first base; Lancashire, second base; J. A. Crosby, third base; George Hyshaw, shortstop; F. Freese, left field; F. Lange, centre field; T. Moritz, right field. Capt. Esterbrook says that they are in favor of forming a Metropolitan League for next season. The new league will be played for if the league is organized. The Yorkville men suggest that each of the teams wear the same uniform, with the name of each branch on the blouse. It is the intention to push the matter.

Jersey City's New Handball Court Receives a Good Send Off.

The handball players of Jersey City, enthusiastically abetted by a large delegation from the Mannattanville Club of this city, made the opening of the new court at 223 Mercer street on Tuesday one of the most memorable events of the handball season. Proprietor John Egan had everything in readiness when the first installment of visiting players arrived, and the fun was set agoing in prompt order. After the first rush of patrons even standing room became acceptable, and toward evening the premises could not accommodate more than half the crowd of doubled devotees of the game.

Some disappointment was felt at the absence of Phil Casey and his expert associates of the Company's club, the reason being that when he appeared against Larry Forde for the inaugural game was of the heartiest description. When Forde and Lawler parted off together they were hailed as winners, and Delaney they were booked as sure winners, but the latter team played superb handball and won most decisively. Toward the close of the first brilliant day's sport, and the sport continued without cessation until 9 o'clock.

The lady friends of the new club members then stormed the premises, and converted the court into a dancing pavilion. An orchestra, in which an Irish piper played a prominent part, furnished exhilarating music, and the players let themselves out for a high old time. Next Thursday evening the club will formally organize, elect officers, and adopt a constitution and rules. Nearly all the members are already enrolled, and all look forward to a prosperous season.

Martin Sweeney kept the scores of the day, which were as follows:

L. Forde (10 aces)	17	21	88
John Lawler	21	18	89
H. Gilbody and J. Delaney	21	12	54
J. Lawlor and L. Forde	10	21	43
W. Cashman and G. Howard	21	14	56
W. Dwaine and J. O'Connell	17	21	56
W. Cashman and G. Howard	21	21	68
P. Walsh and R. Frost	8	14	20
N. Norway and J. Flaherty	21	21	63
J. Egan and W. Moran	21	14	57
P. Egan and T. Fleming	21	14	56
P. Scott and T. Flaherty	18	21	59
M. Reddington and J. Fleming	21	21	62
P. Dougherty and P. Egan	18	16	54
J. Tinany and T. Waldron	21	21	63
E. Ficks and W. McDermott	16	18	50

Tennis at Bergen Point.

In the presence of a large throng of partisans of both organizations, representatives of the Bergen Point Lawn Tennis Club of Bayonne and the Danforth Lawn Tennis Club of Greenville, Jersey City, contested a series of games for the interform championship on Tuesday afternoon on the courts of the Bergen Point Club. The contests were all at gentlemen's doubles, the conditions being four teams for each organization and the best two of three sets of games for each pair of competing teams. The result was the overwhelming defeat of the Bergen Point Club's players, none of its team capturing a round of sets. A summary of the contests follows:

J. and E. Bennert, Greenville Lawn Tennis Club, defeated Louis D. Ayres and Charles C. Wheeler, Bergen Point Lawn Tennis Club, 6—2, 6—3, 6—1. H. Chamberlain and J. Illing, Greenville Lawn Tennis Club, beat Newton H. Day and William H. Stilson, Bergen Point Lawn Tennis Club, 6—4, 6—2, 6—0. J. Detwiller and N. Graham, Greenville Lawn Tennis Club, outplayed Messrs. C. Montague Hall and J. Ruggles, Bergen Point Lawn Tennis Club, 6—1, 6—3, 6—0.

Want to Play Games.

Among the many amateur, semi-professional, and junior baseball clubs in this city and surrounding places the following are anxious to arrange games. All communications pertaining to this matter from responsible clubs will be published, provided they are signed by an official:

Dauntless Club—Have Labor Day open to play any first class club willing to guarantee the guarantee. Address F. T. Caughlar, 157 Myrtle avenue, Brooklyn.

Monitors of Harlem—Would like to arrange a morning and afternoon game for Labor Day with any amateur players averaging between 15 and 16 years. Address George Palmer, 500 Columbus avenue, New York city.

Jersey City Baseball Club of Hoboken—Have a few more dates in September open to play any uniformed team averaging between 17 and 18 years. The Fulton, Jr.'s preferred. Address Chris Lippert, 625 Washington street, Hoboken.

Manhattan Field Club—Ready to play two games on Labor Day with some good out-of-town club offering a suitable guarantee. Address Otto Ross, manager, 8 West Thirty-fourth street, New York city.

Stanton Athletic Club—Would like to hear from any club on Sundays whose players are under 16 years. Address R. B. Morgan, 1,882 Madison avenue, N. Y.

Lincoln Juniors—Would like to hear from teams of players averaging 17 years old for Sunday games. Address C. J. McNeill, Tompkinsville Post Office, S. I.

Essex County A. C.—Would like to hear from some strong amateur or semi-professional club offering a suitable guarantee. Address E. Sullivan, captain, 145 First street, Orange, N. J.

Holy Communion Cadets.—Have Sept. 2, 9, 16, and 23 open to play any amateur team. Address R. H. Macdonald, 120 West Forty-second street, New York city.

Unique A. C.—Would like to play any first-class uniformed club. Address Cornelius Seibert, Blythebourne, L. I.

Murray Hills—Have Sept. 9 and 16 open to play any first-class club offering a reasonable guarantee. Address Nat C. Strong, 500 Third avenue, New York city.

Montgomery Baseball Club of Jersey City—Have Labor Day open to play any first-class club within fifty miles of this city. Address Joseph F. Hart, manager, 187 Sussex avenue, Jersey City, N. J.

Y. M. C. A. of Newark—Would like to play some good club, offering a reasonable guarantee, on Sept. 9. Address S. Lum, manager, care of Clark's Thread Company, Newark, N. J.

Hustler Baseball Club—Will meet any team of players under 16 years, the Cedars and the Vestibules preferred, upon receipt of a reasonable bond, or 2,209 Second Ave., New York city.

GILT-EDGED SPORT IN ENGLAND.

Bradley Breaks a World's Record—Tyers in the Swimming Championships.

Nearly every sportsman of note in the north of England was present at the international swimming match between Joey Nuttall, the British celebrity, and McCusker, the American. The wagering on the result was fast, heavy, and remarkably even, odds not being obtainable against either man.

It was whispered around that McCusker had done a trial in 26 minutes, but this did not phase the Nuttall party, and their confidence was well-founded, as, while McCusker showed none of the form expected by his admirers, the Englishman covered the mile in the record time of 26 minutes 8 seconds with consummate ease. The London *Sporting Life* states that McCusker will probably be again matched against Nuttall, as the former's backer believes him capable of a much better performance.

Saturday, Aug. 19, was a red-letter day in the career of J. H. Tyers, the phenomenal English amateur swimmer. The event then decided was the five-mile championship. The course was laid in the Mersey, and Tyers was opposed by M. Drake of London, the 1892 champion, and Arthur Smith, the Mersey champion. Tyers never gave his rivals the semblance of a chance, as he won by a good quarter of a mile from Drake in 1 hour 17 minutes 1⅘ seconds. Tyers now occupies a position unique in amateur swimming history as the winner off the reel of every championship from 100 yards to five miles.

At the fourteenth annual swimming gala in Gorbal's Baths, Glasgow, on Aug. 21, Joseph Farrell of the Edinburgh Hibernians won the graceful diving championship of Scotland for the second successive year. Nineteen experts competed, and the tests were in neatness at high diving, low diving, and racing plunge.

Two of the most sterling athletic champions of the season appear to have started down the toboggan. Sid Thomas went over to Ireland on Aug. 19, and tried for the five-mile run at the Belfast games. L. McIlvenny, the Irish four-mile champion, was there on the same mission, and with 120 yards start the native won cleverly in 26 minutes 25 seconds. At London on the same date, E. C. Bredin had to play second fiddle to A. Millett in the scratch three-quarter-mile run. E. C. Pierce, the four-mile champion, was third. Time, 3 minutes 15 2-5 seconds.

A brilliant set of games took place at Glasgow on Aug. 21, under the auspices of the Celtic F. C. Starting from scratch in the 1,000-yard run, F. E. Bacon, the English mile champion, won in 2 minutes 19 2-5 seconds, a new Scotch record. He was beaten in the two-mile handicap by G. Crossland, his clubmate, in 9 minutes 48 1-5 seconds, off the fifteen-yard mark. The track was turf and far from fast, owing to rain. This fact did not prevent C. A. Bradley, the great sprinting champion, from winning the 120-yard run in even time.

The conservative watch holders have at length conceded the crowning honor to Bradley for his extraordinary career on the path. The time returned for his 120-yard run at Cardiff, Aug. 12, is 11 3-5 seconds, which eclipses the world's record of 11 4-5 seconds, made by W. P. Phillips at London, March 25, 1882. Lon Myers's fastest trip was 12 seconds. Bradley's performance was fully vouched for, and no doubtless be accepted in due course. As a sort of preliminary to his big effort, Bradley had won a first and third on the Monday at Stoke, a first on Tuesday at Birmingham, and a first at Cardiff an hour before making his record. The number and value of his prizes for the past two seasons reach figures which would be a shock to the disconsolate American amateur of the present day.

The race for the county cricket championship is getting very exciting, especially between Lancashire and Yorkshire. The scoring is figured by points. In counting these, losses are deducted from wins, and drawn matches are ignored. The score of the leading quartet now stands: Yorkshire, 42; Lancashire, 5; Middlesex, 3, and Kent, 2. The losses of the others so far exceed their wins.

Lancashire played havoc with Sussex in their match at Brighton on Aug. 17. With a substantial nucleus of 126 put together by A. Ward the Lancastrians ran up 385 before going out. Then Mold let himself loose with the ball among the Sussex batsmen and bowled them without mercy, actually taking eight wickets of their second innings for twenty-nine runs. Lancashire won by an innings and 113 runs.

A noticeable feature of the recent county match between Gloucester and Middlesex was the début of two Clifton College boys on the Gloucester eleven. The one was W. G. Grace, Jr., a chip of the old block, but as yet by no means as serviceable a player as his redoubtable father, who made the top score of 68 on the occasion. The second novice was C. Townsend, who pleased the critics himself and showed promise of being a tiptop bowler when he reaches maturity. He is only 17 years old. The new blood failed to change the Gloucester luck, and Middlesex won by an innings and 98 runs.

Middlesex had an entirely different story to tell after the match with Yorkshire. The favorites for the championship made an aggregate of 418, and then by clever work in the field kept their opponents down to 273, winning by 145 runs. No remarkable individual scoring was done, the highest being 56 by S. W. Scott for Middlesex.

The Metropolitan County had a rare set-to in the return match with Notts on Aug. 19 to 19. The previous match played on Lord's in June resulted in a victory for Middlesex by 57 runs. The Notts players opened with the determination to get even, and their star bowler, Mee, started auspiciously by taking the mighty A. E. Stoddart's wicket with the first ball. Middlesex was all-out for a century and had on the first innings, but added 319 next time, making their total 503. J. T. Hearne gave the Notts men no chance of closing the gap. He bowled seven of them for 99, and they were 160 on the wrong side when the last wicket fell.

Nuttall Wins the Medal.

LONDON, Sept. 2.—The swimming match for the valuable medal offered by Richard K. Fox took place to-day in the great tank of Paul Boynton's water show at Earls Court, and resulted in a victory for Nuttall who won easily in 12 minutes 7⅘ seconds, Greasley second. The distance was one mile.

The Articles that Dempsey and Burge Have Signed.

Amended articles of agreement for the fight between Jack Dempsey and Dick Burge of England has been received at the *Police Gazette* office. They are:

"Articles of agreement entered into this 26th day of July, 1893, between Dick Burge of Newcastle, England, and Jack Demp