# INTERSCHOLASTIC SPORT.

### MANY PLANS FOR A BRISK SEASON ON TRACK AND DIAMOND.

**Important Meeting of the Local Association Called—Expected Trouble Over the Registration Question—The Leading Schools Select Their Baseball and Athletic Teams.**

On Tuesday, April 12, the New York Interscholastic Athletic Association will hold a special meeting for the purpose of making final arrangements for the outdoor season. Several matters are set for discussion, the most important, perhaps, being the registration law of the A. A. U. Secretary D. H. Brown of the National Interscholastic Athletic Association will address the delegates and give his views on the registration law. It has been rumored that there is a movement on foot to reorganize the national association, and also that it is the intention to have two other interscholastic associations combine with the local association to fight the A. A. U. Secretary Brown neither affirms nor denies the rumor. The stand taken by the Intercollegiate Athletic Association has stirred up the youngsters, and it is not at all unlikely that something startling will be done. The majority of the schools are bitter against the registration law and refuse to abide by it.

The naming of the date and location for the annual spring meet of the local association is another matter which may lead to debate. The association this year will demand from the management of the grounds training privileges from the beginning of April to the date of games. The Chairman of the Track Committee says that no grounds will be engaged unless the youngsters can train there. The adding of throwing the discus to the interscholastic events for this year and the adoption of the baseball schedule are among the other questions awaiting adjustment.

This month will mark the opening of the baseball season for the young athletes representing the schools of the local and Long Island interscholastic associations. Active preparations are being made at all of the schools, and from present indications some rattling good games will be played. Several sets of outdoor athletic games will also be held. The first games will be those of the Berkeley School Athletic Association at Berkeley Oval on Saturday, April 23. The games of the Cutler School Athletic Association will be held at Berkeley Oval on Friday, April 29. Next in order will come the games of the Trinity School Athletic Association, which are booked for Columbia Oval on May 3.

As the gymnastic season is over at Trinity School, the candidates for the various teams have been able to take steady practice. Every afternoon the lads go through a course of training for track and diamond in the gymnasium. At a meeting of the athletic association, held last week, the following events for the annual games were selected:

Open—120-yard hurdle race, 220-yard dash, junior; one mile run, one-mile bicycle race, putting the shot and throwing the discus.

Closed—100-yard dash, senior; 100-yard dash, junior; 75-yard dash, under 14 years; 50-yard dash, under 12 years; 440-yard run, running high jump, and running broad jump, all handicaps except the 100-yard dash, senior.

The following nine has been selected to represent the school in the baseball series:

R. McClune, catcher and captain; S. McClune, pitcher; Kirkby, first base; A. Brown, second base; Greene, third base; Jackson, shortstop; Myles, left field; Lane, centre field; V. Gardner, right field.

R. McClune played on the football team last season and is an excellent choice for the position. He is a sure batter and can be counted upon for a hit when needed. S. McClune has fine control of the ball and can be relied upon in a close pinch. His curves are very deceiving. Kirkby is another good player. He has a long reach and can stop many apparently safe hits. A. Brown at second base will be a stone wall. He is a fast runner, a sure hitter, and covers a lot of ground. Greene is a very valuable boy for his position and is of great assistance to the shortstop. His pickups are good and he is an excellent batter. The rest of the players have got the science of the game at their finger tips. With such a fast lot the school is confident of victory, and a hard try will be made to land on top of the heap when the season ends.

The final gymnastic competition was held in the gymnasium of the school last week and was a great success. Physical Director P. M. Sexias started the ball rolling with a fine exhibition on the different apparatus, and his work was loudly applauded. The work done by the youngsters was the best ever seen at the school. Summary:

Dumbbells—Won by Upton, G. Goodwin second, Morgan third.

Indian Clubs—Won by Bolton, Wilpermann second, Upton third.

Horizontal Bar—Won by Morgan, Upton second, Miller third.

Flying Rings—Won by Morgan, Upton second, Miller third.

Parallel Bars—Won by Morgan, Upton second, Miller third.

The candidates for the baseball team of the De La Salle Institute have availed themselves of every fine day, and have done quite some outdoor practice. From the abundant material at hand Manager Smith has picked the following boys for the interscholastic series:

O'Brien, pitcher; Brun, catcher; Engle, first base; Rice, second base; Fallon, third base; Shea and Curtain, outfield; Gardner, shortstop; Stone, left field; McCormack, centre field; Sullivan, right field.

Substitutes—Lynch, Birmingham, McManus, Morrissey, Caine, Gallagher, Raleigh, Dunn, and Lenone.

That the track team is wofully lacking in energy was clearly shown in the Barnard School games. However, those that participated in the different events did as well as could be expected from the little indoor practice they had. If plans talked of are put into effect, there will be a different tale to tell in the outdoor games. The interclass athletic games held in the gymnasium on Friday, March 25, resulted as follows:

Quarter-Mile Walk, Senior—Won by T. McCormick, J. Tonyan second.

Quarter-Mile Walk, Junior—Won by T. Delaney, E. Grimley second, A. Dempsey third.

Putting the Shot—Won by J. Tonyan, H. Connolly second, E. Connolly third.

15-Yard Dash, Junior—Won by T. Delaney, A. Miller second, A. Dempsey third.

Standing Broad Jump, Senior—Won by J. Tonyan, J. Ryan second, T. McCormick third. Distance, 8 feet.

The students at the Columbia Institute are showing unusual interest in athletics this year, and are going into interscholastic sport to do or die. No less than five distinct teams have been organized to uphold the school's colors. Dr. E. Fowler, head master of the institute, is enthusiastic on the subject of athletics, and is doing everything in his power to assist the boys in winning the cup this year. He has established a fund, however, that athletics must take precedence of football, and that all candidates must stand well in their percentages if they desire to make the team. The annual drill of the battalion will occur on April 22 at the Twenty-second Regiment Armory. It will include battalion and company movements, military gymnastics, Gatling gun drill, review and parade. Major Thurston of the Twenty-second Regiment is drill instructor and Col. Groff commandant. An athletic tournament will be held at the Y. M. C. A. Gymnasium on May 10, in which the classes will give a general athletic exhibition, including fencing.

The baseball team selected for the interscholastic series will be as follows:

Hoyt and Bill, pitchers; McKeb and Davidson, catchers; Simmons and J. Calhoun, first base; Fink, second base; Leroy, third base; Lewis, short stop; Hatch, left field; Colcord, centre field; A. Calhoun, right field.

The season at Columbia Grammar School promises to be a busy and successful one. The baseball team is now fully organized and the practice work has proved very satisfactory. Two sets of athletic games were held in the gymnasium last week, the first between the fifth and sixth forms and the other between the second lower and second upper. Summaries:

FIFTH VS. SIXTH.

100-Yard Dash—Won by H. Cadenas, sixth form; J. O'Neil, fifth form, second; S. Cadenas, fifth form, third.

Standing Broad Jump, Handicap—Won by C. Ryttenberg, sixth form, 8 inches, actual jump 8 feet 3 inches; J. O'Neil, fifth form, 5 inches, second, actual jump 8 feet 2 inches; H. Cadenas, sixth form, 6 inches, third, actual jump 8 feet.

Putting 12-Pound Shot, Handicap—Won by J. Smallward, fifth form, 6 feet 5 inches, actual put 30 feet; A. Bonamer, sixth form, 3 inches, second, actual put 36 feet; H Kelly, sixth form, 6 feet 3 inches, third, actual put 28 feet.

Rope Climb, Handicap—Won by J. Shannon, fifth form, 2 seconds; A. Wheeler, sixth form, 2 seconds, second; J. Smallward, fifth form, 1 second, third.

Running High Jump, Handicap—Won by J. Marsh, sixth form, 6 inches, actual jump 4 feet 10 inches; C. Ryttenberg, sixth form, 5 inches, second, actual jump 4 feet 7 inches; A. Haight, sixth form, scratch, third, 6 feet.

SECOND LOWER VS. SECOND UPPER.

Ten-Yard Dash—Won by Moore, Crossman second, Gardner third.

Standing Broad Jump, Handicap—Won by Crossman, 5 inches, actual jump 6 feet 7 inches; A. Kuttroff, 3 inches, second, actual jump 6 feet 8 inches; Gardner, scratch, third, 6 feet 3 inches.

Potato Race—Won by A. Kuttroff, Crossman second, Adler third.

Running High Jump, Handicap—Won by A. Kuttroff, 6 inches, actual jump 4 feet; Crossman, scratch, second, 4 feet; Gardner, scratch, third, 3 feet ½ inch.

The following baseball nine has been selected to represent the school in the interscholastic series:

J. O'Brien, pitcher and captain; H. Cadenas, catcher; J. O'Neil, first base; H. Herche, second base; H. Cook, third base; T. O'Brien, shortstop; A. Stern, left field; G. De Witt, centre field; S. Cadenas, right field.

Unusual interest is being manifested in golf and a tournament will be held at Van Cortlandt Park on April 20.

The activity displayed at the Berkeley School gives promise of another successful season on both the diamond and cinder path. The material on hand for the baseball team ought to make a strong bid for the championship. The team has been unable to practice for the last week on account of the work that is going on at the Oval, but the boys managed to get in a little work in the gymnasium. The team this year will be made up of new boys, as all the members of the championship team of last year have graduated. The nine will play in the interscholastic series as follows:

Ewart, pitcher; Forsey or Stuart, catcher; Poor, first base; Campbell, second base; Gibson, third base; Dwyer or McKee, shortstop; Clarkson, left field; Potter, centre field; Mutena, right field.

Manager Hughes has arranged a fair-sized schedule, which he will announce in a few days.

Woodbridge School is going to make things hum in the interscholastic sports this season. The school has been greatly strengthened by some crack athletes from Harvard School. For the first time in a great many years the school has entered a baseball team in the interscholastic series, as follows:

Koch and Vinten, pitchers; Bauer, catcher and captain; Dougherty and Spence, first base; Flanagan and Duvall, second base; Clark, third base; A. Einstein, shortstop; Tallman, right field; Covell, left field; T. Einstein, centre field.

Capt. Bauer has these men practicing every afternoon, and is confident that they will hold their own with any school in the series. The following boys are in training for the track team:

Page, hammer; Spence, Covell, and Comstock, bicycle; Covell, sprints and half mile; Dougherty, junior sprints.

Cutler School will go into athletics this season as she never did before. The baseball and track teams have done considerable work at Columbia Oval, and Capt. Pell of the track team counts upon the following boys to carry the school's colors to the front at the annual field meet of the Interscholastic Association:

Senior sprints, Auchincloss and Leech; junior sprints, Bell, Townsend, and Winston; hurdles, Pell and Powers; 440-yard run, Peabody, Talmadge, Leary, and Crail; 880-yard run, Brokaw, Talbot, Dickinson, and Dix; one-mile run, Manson and Dickinson; weights, Du Bois, Adams, Schwab, and Brokaw; walk, Buck; running high jump, Peabody and Victor; running broad jump, Auchincloss, Bell, and Pell; pole vault, Peabody and Brokaw.

The bicycle team will be made up as follows: Mabien, Warren, Hickcock, Proval, Coffin, Polhemus, Gunther, McAneney, Inman, and Aldridge.

It is likely that the school will place a baseball team in the interscholastic series, as follows: Brokaw, captain, catcher, and pitcher; Adams, pitcher and catcher; Cleveland, first base; Inman, second base; Warren, third base; Crocker, shortstop; McAneney, left field; Pell, centre field; Buck, right field.

The school has organized a golf team, which is now ready to play any scholastic team in this vicinity. The members have already defeated some of the best school teams.

Barnard School athletes are fast getting in trim at Fort Lee, and in a week or so will be in condition to compete with any of the teams in the Interscholastic Association. The baseball team for the series will be as follows:

Benjamin and Nichols, catchers; Walter and Hubert, pitchers; Hall, first base; Havanagh, second base; Walter, shortstop; Sullivan, third base; Earle, left field; Allen, centre field; Flescher, right field.

The management has arranged the following schedule:

April 9, Westminster School, at Dobbs Ferry; 13, Packard's Business College, at Fort Lee; 16, St. Paul School, at Garden City; 18, Brooklyn Latin School, at Fort Lee; 30, Walden High School, at Elizabeth; May 7, Mount Pleasant Military Academy, at Sing Sing; 11, Woodbridge School; 14, Yonkers High School, at Yonkers; 17, Adelphi Academy, at Adelphi Field.

On Saturday evening, March 26, the Pratt Institute Athletic Association held its first annual reception. The function was very successful and enjoyable. Frederic B. Pratt, the Secretary of the Institute, presented the all-round championship banner and the individual medals which have been won in the weekly athletic events. The banner was won by the following team of the class of 1900:

F. G. Wickham, H. F. Belser, A. J. Kirkland, R. W. Nutting, E. M. Vaughn, W. Wurzburger, R. S. Binkerd, R. L. Wood, W. P. Kitchell, and R. S. Wallace.

The team scored 1,620.48 points. The winners of the individual prizes were:

F. G. Wickham, 2,281 points; C. S. Chapman, 1,667; W. Wurzburger, 1,526; R. D. Chipp, 1,365; H. E. Bilser, 1,342.

Owing to the bad weather lately work on the new track has been retarded, but it will be pushed along as rapidly as possible. Dr. Voorhees, who is looking after the baseball team's schedule, has arranged eleven outside dates, the first game to be played next week.

Pingry School of Elizabeth has two athletes of exceptional merit in Sulzer and Manvel. Much has already been said of the latter, who has few equals in quarter-mile and half-mile running. The athletic career of Sulzer began in the fall of 1894, when he entered Pingry School, and played end on the 'varsity football team. He captained and played right half back on his school football team during 1895-6-7, and last season he led his team to victory in the New Jersey interscholastic championship series without being scored against. Sulzer first took up running in the spring of 1895, but met with little success during that season. In 1896 he was more successful, winning the 100 and 220 yard championships at the games of the New Jersey Interscholastic A. A. and many handicap events. Among the latter were the 100 and 220 yard runs at the games of the Fourth Regiment, N. G. N. J., held at Bergen Point, in which he defeated Wefers. On Labor Day of the same year he won the 100-yard dash, handicap, at the New Jersey A. C. games, again defeating Wefers. In 1897 Sulzer was selected captain of the New Jersey A. C. and Pingry School track teams. A severe attack of rheumatism prevented his running during the first part of the year, but later he won the 220-yard dash at Princeton, the 100 and 220 yard runs at the championship of the New Jersey Interscholastic A. A., and the 100 and 440 yard runs on Labor Day. At the recent games of the Barnard School Athletic Association Sulzer won the 60 and 220 yard runs, establishing a new record for the latter event. Last November Sulzer entered in the Fourth Regiment of New Jersey and represented this organization in the recent military tournament. He is counted on to break several records in the New Jersey interscholastic championships this year.

### COLUMBIA'S CANDIDATES.

**Changes in the 'Varsity Crew—All Ready for the First Baseball Game.**

The Columbia University crews have been on the Hudson for a little over a week. A great many minor faults which were apparent in the beginning are gradually disappearing. The work of the 'varsity is especially good. Cowles coached the men on Wednesday afternoon and made some changes in the first 'varsity. Oddie replaced Wigham at bow and Boyesen was placed at 2, instead of Betts. On Thursday the freshmen elected A. M. Henderson as their captain. He came from St. Paul's School, where he rowed in one of the crews. He also held the all-around athletic championship during his last year there. The freshmen have been showing a tendency to swing out of the boat, but Assistant Coach Webb is paying a great deal of attention to this fault. M. D. Bogue, 1900, will probably coxswain the varsity again this year. His voice is good, better than he has the experience of last year in his favor. Fuller, Boehm and Rochester, all freshmen, are trying for the same place in the other boats. Of these, Fuller seems to be the most promising.

Trainer Mack has all the track candidates out every afternoon. The hammer throwers are showing good form. Among the new men who have recently come out for the team are Cary, 1901, who runs the half mile in two minutes, and Watson, who has put the shot 38 feet. Last Monday the candidates for the relay team to run in the intercollegiate meet at Philadelphia on April 30 came out. The following men will train for this event: Long, Schaff, Williams, Hildreth, Ehrich, Wagner, Steven, Roll, Betts, Jellinghaus, Meehan, N. E. Moran, and Capt. Hershfield.

The Track Association will offer a silver cup valued at $100 to the class winning the largest number of points in the annual spring games. The cup has to be competed for annually. It was originally offered by the association fifteen years ago for the cross-country championship, but will be reengraved, so as to make it a practically new cup. The individual prizes in the games will be silver loving cups to first, and steins to second men. In case the dual meet between Brown and Columbia cannot be arranged, a practice meet will be held at Ohio Field with N. Y. U. and C. C. N. Y. on a Saturday early in May.

The lacrosse team has been making great progress during the past three weeks. Twenty men have been kept on the first squad, and of these twelve are experienced players. On account of business engagements Coach Whiting has been compelled to resign, but Capt. Starr has been able to secure the services of Cyrus C. Miller, '91 C., for the remainder of the season. Miller was a member of the noted Crescent A. C. team which went abroad last summer. The lacrosse management is trying to interest the boys of the preparatory schools at New York in the game. It is hoped by this means to develop a number of men from whom future 'varsity teams can be formed.

The 'varsity baseball team will go to Philadelphia on Wednesday to play Old Penn a game. The men are batting well, but there is a lack of team play. This is due to the fact that the lecture hours are so arranged that all the candidates can seldom get together. On Friday the team will play its first game in New York, at the Polo Grounds. The opposing nine will be the New York League team. Fishel will be in the box for the 'varsity.

**Basketball.**

Dr. J. Marion Vorhees, physical director of Pratt Institute, claims the girls' basketball championship for the Institute A. A. This claim is disputed by the adherents of Adelphi Academy. Dr. Vorhees yesterday made this official announcement to a reporter of THE SUN:

"Our girls' team has defeated every team but Adelphi this season by from one to two games. With Adelphi we stand a tie, each team having won one game; but as our team defeated the Teachers' College of New York twice, once in Pratt's gymnasium and once in Barnard College gymnasium, in the absence of the Long Island Girls' Interscholastic League, we have one more victory to our credit than Adelphi, so that we win the championship."

Dr. Pettit, physical director of Adelphi Academy, in reply to Dr. Vorhees's claim, said:

"The tie of Pratt in the series with Adelphi forces the two teams to play off for the championship, and we are ready to arrange a match on neutral ground, if one can be secured, for a trophy emblematic of the championship and which the losing team is to pay for. If this suits the Pratt folks we can very readily arrange the game."

# HEEB'S STORY OF POISON.

### SAID BEFORE HE DIED THAT HE GOT IT IN A SALOON.

**He Also Said That on Returning to the Saloon a Barkeeper Told Him That the Bottle from Which He Had Poured His Drink Contained Arsenic—Denials at the Saloon.**

John Heeb, 31 years old, a salesman in a shoe store in this city, who lived at 22 York street, Jersey City, died at the City Hospital, Jersey City, yesterday morning at 4 o'clock. He told Dr. Young of the hospital and H. K. Peltegan, a male nurse, that he had come to this city two weeks ago from Rhinebeck, N. Y. While on his way to business on Saturday morning, he said, he stopped in at the saloon on the southeast corner of Cortlandt and Washington streets to get a drink. The barkeeper produced a bottle from the back bar and Heeb took a drink. He said he thought the liquor had a queer taste, but he attributed it to the bad taste in his mouth resulting from his previous night's drinking. Soon after reaching the store he was seized with violent pains in his stomach. The pains gradually increased in violence, and about noon he was told to go home and consult a doctor. On the way back he stopped in the saloon and asked what kind of liquor had been given to him. The barkeeper who had served him, he told Dr. Young, had been relieved from duty and going away. He pointed out the bottle from which he said he had poured his drink in the morning.

"That can't be," said the manager of the saloon, according to Heeb's story. "Why, that's a solution of arsenic that we keep here for rats."

"Well, that's the bottle the barkeeper gave me," insisted Heeb, "and it's the bottle I drank out of."

The manager, he continued, assured him that it was a weak solution and it probably wouldn't do him any harm. Instead of consulting a physician, Heeb endeavored to kill the pain with whiskey. The pain increased, however, and when he reached home about 6 o'clock John McCormack, a friend, persuaded him to go to the City Hospital. He arrived at the hospital about midnight. The doctors decided that he was suffering from arsenic poisoning and administered the usual remedies. The efforts of the doctors proved unavailing, and the patient died at 4 a. m.

His statement was taken down in writing and given to the Jersey City police. County Physician Converse will perform an autopsy to-day, and if death is found to have resulted from arsenic poisoning an inquest will be ordered.

The Trenton Hotel, kept by James S. Kelly, is at the corner described by Heeb in his statement. Mr. Kelly said last night no man could have got arsenic in his place, because there was none kept on the premises. His floor, he added, was cemented, and he had no rats. His barkeeper is on duty steadily from 5 o'clock in the morning until 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and would not have been out at Heeb's second call if he really did call.

**Gossip of the Handball Courts.**

James O'Connell of Manhattanville has issued a challenge to play P. McGrath for $10 a side on next club day.

The St. Peter's Catholic Library Association wish home-and-home games or tourneys with local clubs. Address Handball Committee, Warren street, near Hicks, Brooklyn.

The President Handball Club wishes to arrange games with amateur clubs whose members average from 16 to 21 years. Address Arthur Ritter, captain, 327 President street, Brooklyn.

On Wednesday afternoon a special card will be presented at the Brooklyn Club's court. The main feature will be a challenge match between James Dunne, Jr., and William Schmidt; and William Carney and Dr. Gillen.

Capt. Frank L. Fisher, of the National A. C. of Brooklyn, is trying to organize a team to play the crack Central Y. M. C. A. team of Brooklyn a series of games for a trophy to be paid for by the losing team. The Nationals' first annual championship tourney will be held next week.

Among the successful scorers on club day at the Manhattanville court were W. Delaney, J. Glynn, T. Inman, C. O'Leary, W. Brady, H. Crook, P. Donovan, J. Grimes, P. McIlvey, M. Moran, J. Donnelly, W. McKeagney, M. Daley, E. Martin, T. O'Connell, and M. Breen.

Nine lively matches entertained a large club day crowd at Hickey's new court, Columbia street, Brooklyn, on club day. Close contests were the order, and the rubbers were captured by M. Mitchel, J. Curry, T. Morris, J. J. Hurley, W. Hickey, A. Corbett, W. Doyle, Dock Reeves, J. Hurley, J. Hogan, George Retes, J. Fitzpatrick, and J. Coughlin.

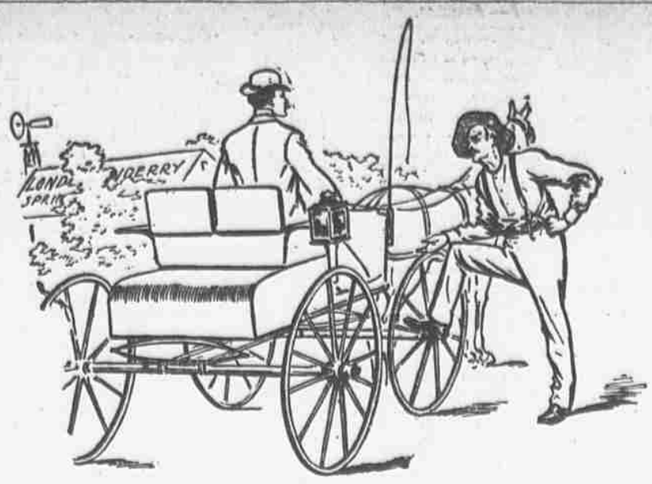
Members of the Jersey City Club were present in unusual numbers on club day. They held an enthusiastic meeting, and decided to hold their annual outing on an elaborate scale next summer. Ten hotly contested matches furnished rare sport, and tall scores were rolled up by J. McCourt, P. Flaherty, F. Flood, J. Norton, James Egan, Charles Friel, John Silvey, Martin Brown, J. Reitman, W. Smith, W. Moran, A. Whelan, M. Nolan, T. Cassidy, and R. Forristal.

Arrangements have been completed for the second annual tournament of the A. A. U. for the amateur championship of America. Play will open on April 14 at the Jersey City court, and the finals will be played at the Brooklyn Club's court on April 20. The draw is as follows: J. Dunne, Jr., New York A. C., vs. James Flaherty, Jersey City; P. Flaherty, Jersey City, vs. William Schmidt, Brooklyn; Michael Egan, Greenpoint, vs. Dr. A. M. Gillen, Brooklyn; George Heney, Brooklyn, vs. G. La Voie, Canada; D. Bruder, Jersey City, vs. Thomas Dunne, Brooklyn.

In a series of special match games the President Handball Club outplayed the second team of the Central Y. M. C. A. of Brooklyn on Saturday at the President's courts. The results were: Singles—Herrfeldt, President, defeated Hahnover, Central, 21—3; Ritter, President, defeated Corinksey, Central, 21—1; Jarvis, President, defeated Stutt, Central, 21—1; Herrfeldt, President, defeated Hahnover, Central, 21—4; Ritter, President defeated Corinksey, Central, 21—8; Jarvis, President, defeated Stutt, Central, 21—1. Doubles—Ritter and Jarvis, President, defeated Hahnover and Corinksey, Central; Herrfeldt and Jarvis defeated Stutt and Corinksey, 21—2; Herrfeldt and Ritter defeated Corinksey and Hahnover, 21—5.

One of the largest gatherings yet seen at the Greenpoint court attended the club day reunion, and the sport provided was fully worthy of the liberal patronage. A special attraction was a match between James Fitzgerald and E. Lawlor on the one side and William Carney and Martin Coggins on the other. Fitz and his partner won by 8—21, 21—12, 21—18, 6—21, 21—8. As the defeated men were a trifle out of condition, they asked for a return match and they will be accommodated. The applause aroused by this contest was revived when Mike Egan, the amateur champion, stripped to face W. Nash and T. Higgins. He kept the pair on the jump from the start, and won out cleverly by 21—16, 21—15, 18—21, 21—20. Other winners during the afternoon included J. Smith, J. Curtis, M. McCartin, J. King, C. Mulhall, M. Lundy, W. Lawlor, D. Lawlor, P. Doyle, J. Cunnie, J. Walsh, A. Bennett, J. Dougherty, J. Lee and P. Horgan.

Handball is booming at the Brooklyn Club's court and there was a big muster of members and guests on club day. One of the star features was the match which marked the opening of a club tournament. M. J. Ryland and P. Connolly were drawn against Dr. A. M. Gillen and Thomas Dunne. The former team won by 21—16, 8—21, 21—5, 21—15. There was also an exciting match of best of seven games for $20 a side between W. L. Jones and Eddie Hopkins. Jones won by 21—7, 18—21, 21—8, 14—21, 21—8, 8—21, 21—10. Pierce Sinnott and T. McElroy scored in straight games over Jere Murphy and William Jackson, and T. McElroy defeated Harry Regan in equally decisive style. Mike McMahon proved too much for George Heney, and Dr. Shay took the scalp of Tommy Dunne. The most interesting of the double matches found Dr. Gillen and Tommy Dunne pitted against M. J. Ryland and Pete Connolly. The latter team won by 21—16, 8—21, 21—5, 21—15.


UNCLE AVERY: "You are not the first one to ask how this **Londonderry** that cures so many cases of Rheumatism, and other troubles, can be fit for drink with licker and vittles. You city folks live on fried toad stools, champood eggs, and sich, and every one of you is full of acid. This is why everybody who drinks it is benefited. It keeps you well by killin' the acid and keepin' the blood pure. I ain't a Harvard perfesser, but I can tell about this water, as I've known it for three-quarters of a century."


### GOLF.

**College Teams Will Continue Practice for the Championships.**

Princeton's defeat at Baltusrol by 24 to 5 and Yale's defeat at South Manchester by 15 to 4 must not be taken seriously as indications of the form the players will show when they meet Harvard, Columbia, and the University of Pennsylvania in the intercollegiate team championship at Ardsley on May 4, 5, 6, and 7. Princeton played three of its first team on Saturday, Bayard, Vanderpool, and Stuart, while Yale had out only two of its best sextet, Betts and Terry. It is too early in the season to figure on the standing of the teams, but, as each university intending to enter at Ardsley will have its team play a series of matches during the month, it should be possible to figure out the "public form" of the men somewhat definitely before the championships. Last spring Yale was the only team to prepare for the championships by a round of outside matches during the month before the event, and its success was undoubtedly aided greatly thereby. Match play is very different from medal play in its methods and principles. It requires coolness and quick wits as well as expertness with the golf clubs. On this account the more practice the university team can get on strange links the better, for, unlike the medal game, the highest point of skill cannot be gained by zealous work on the home course, for the greatest benefit to be derived in the matches away from home is the experience among strangers and before a possibly unsympathetic "gallery." The Princeton men intend to play quite frequently at Baltusrol, where they will be coached by the two Tolers, both old Princetonians, and Tyng. Yale's next match will be on April 9, at the Siwanoy Island Cricket and Baseball Club, where the home team last spring beat the 'varsity men by 21 holes to 6. On the Saturday before the championships the Yalensians will wind up the practice games by a match at the St. Andrew's Golf Club. The plans of the Columbia team are somewhat uncertain, but Harvard and the University of Pennsylvania will have their teams tried out in club matches weekly until May.

Had the new Philadelphia system of team scoring, that is under consideration for adoption by the U. S. G. A., been in force on Saturday, Princeton would have been beaten by 36 to 9 and Yale by 23 to 8. These results give force to the opinion expressed yesterday by a prominent amateur that the change in scoring would simply add to the red tape of the game without improving the play in team matches.

"To soften the dismay of a team that loses an otherwise winning match by the defeat of one of its players by a dozen holes," said the amateur, "will only offer a premium to duffer play and is therefore wrong in principle. As it is now, a captain must bring a well-balanced team to the links, and to lessen this obligation by any new system of scoring is not a step in advance. At present a captain is compelled to put only reliable players on a team, which is as it should be. In my opinion a match between eight good players is better worth watching than a contest between teams of twenty. To give leeway to the poor players is the only result that would be gained by changing the scoring rule, and I am therefore opposed to the Philadelphia system."

There are many who favor the change, however, and there are apt to be many lively and vigorous differences of opinion before the question is threshed out by the flails of golfing debaters. The question is still under discussion in Great Britain, where the old system has the most supporters. *London Golf* of March 25 contains the following pertinent paragraph:

That was rather an exaggerated illustration of the evils of a "weak tail" when, with teams of six a side, the Royal Blackheath suffered defeat by 12 holes at the hands of Cambridge University. Four of the six Blackheathers were each 2 down, up, making 8 for their side, but two of the six Cantabs made 20 holes for their side! Even had one or two been added for each victory of the Blackheathers they would still have been beaten.

It has often been suggested that the Executive Committee of the U. S. G. A. should take cognizance of any conflicts between contests of more than local importance with the national championship fixtures. In 1896, for instance, there was a conflict between the women's championship and the open tournament at St. Andrew's, and last spring the open tournament at Meadowbrook clashed with the intercollegiate championships at Ardsley. The only conflict in sight this season is between the interstate team tournament at the Allegheny Country Club and the open championship at the Myopia Hunt Club. The argument that these conflicts did not affect the interests of the same class of players is not a very strong one, for while the opposing events may be different conditions of golfers the conflicts were disastrous to the extent that they attracted from each links players who would otherwise have swelled the lists of contestants. The contest on June 16 will be more direct in its effects. St. Andrew's is entered for the Allegheny Country Club team contest, which means that its best men, like Sands, Robbins and Menzies, must choose between the Pennsylvania trip and the opportunity to measure their strength with the professionals at Myopia, and the same conditions may prevail at other clubs.

NOTES.

Sam Tucker left on Saturday for the Allegheny Country Club, where he is to be professional. Mungo Park, Jr., reported for duty at the Dyker Meadow Golf Club.

The Richmond County Country Club will open its links for the season on next Saturday by a handicap for members at eighteen holes, medal play. For the past month work has been in progress on an additional nine holes, which, it is expected, will be ready for play by the middle of May. A number of team matches have been arranged for the spring season.

Lakewood's open spring tournament, on April 24, 25 and 26, promises to attract a large number of golfers who have been in the South for the winter, notably Leeds, Fenn and Keene. The following week will be taken up by the interscholastic golf tourney, after which the rolling scenes will change from Lakewood to Knollwood and the distinctively local links.

The annual match between Oxford and Cambridge was played on March 24 at Sandwich, England. Eight played on a side. A gale from the northeast, followed by a heavy snow, handicapped the players so much that four pairs withdrew, and, under a special ruling, finished their rounds after the storm. Cambridge won by 31 holes to 20.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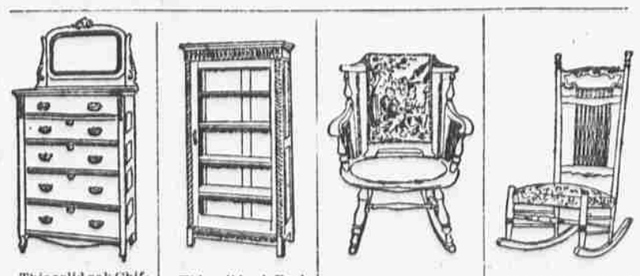

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