NEW YORKS THE VICTORS.

MEEKIN, IN FINE TRIM, OUTPITCHES HIS PLUCKY RIVAL, DUNN.

Errors Responsible for All of the Runs Scored—Baltimore's Wonder, Hughes, Shuts the Bostons Out—Philadelphia, Pittsburg, St. Louis and Chicago Win the Other Games.

The New Yorks won the first game of the local series from the Brooklyns yesterday in a battle which bristled with clever pitching by both Meekin and Dunn. The Baltimores shut the Bostons out in the most overwhelming manner, the champions being utterly helpless before Hughes, Hanlon's new pitching phenomenon. The Philadelphias put another defeat on Washington's list, so that Wagner's men are now tailenders. The St. Louis team appears to have taken a brace, for, not content with defeating Chicago on Sunday, Hurst's players won a hard-fought twelve-inning contest at Cincinnati yesterday and also passed the Louisvilles, who were outpointed by Pittsburg. The Chicagos had a walkover with the Clevelands and are still fifth, close behind the Brooklyns. The results:

New York, 3; Brooklyn, 1.
Baltimore, 13; Boston, 0.
Philadelphia, 11; Washington, 6.
Pittsburg, 9; Louisville, 5.
St. Louis, 6; Cincinnati, 5.
Chicago, 12; Cleveland, 1.

THE RECORD.

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	Per cent.	Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	Per cent.
Baltimore	9	2	.818	Pittsburg	8	10	.471
Cincinnati	12	4	.750	New York	7	8	.467
Cleveland	12	6	.667	Philadelphia	6	7	.462
Brooklyn	9	5	.643	St. Louis	4	10	.286
Chicago	9	6	.600	Louisville	3	15	.250
Boston	9	9	.500	Washington	3	12	.200

NEW YORK, 3; BROOKLYN, 1.

The glorious baseball weather yesterday and the fact that it was the first meeting of the New Yorks and Brooklyns in the series for the local championship attracted about 4,000 persons to the Polo Grounds, where a close, exciting, yet cleanly played game took place in the quick playing time of 1 hour and 45 minutes. There were no wranging over decisions, no exhibition of ill feeling by the players toward one another, and no unnecessary delays, so that lovers of fair play and good sport were more than satisfied, even though some of them were not happy over the outcome. It was a pitchers' battle between Jouett Meekin and Jack Dunn, and the former carried off the honors. The light hitting by both teams was offset by some superb fielding, which, in turn, was marred by a few errors, to which must be attributed the scoring of all the runs.

Shindle was unfortunate enough to make a blunder in the fifth inning, which was responsible for New York's two runs, and Hallman let in the other tally in the eighth with a fumble, when two were out. Wilmot's muff in the ninth let the Brooklyns escape what seemed to be a sure whitewash. Poor coaching by Horton, one of Brooklyn's spare pitchers, resulted disastrously in the eighth, when he sent Hallman home instead of holding him at third.

Everybody who has seen Meekin pitch in seasons gone by knows that his most effective delivery is speed. It was, therefore, in the nature of a surprise to see the big fellow use "change of pace" yesterday with such magnificent control and headwork that he was simply invincible. He used a slow curve at times, then a medium shoot, which he kept near the corner of the plate, and when it was necessary he let out a link or two and drove the ball with blinding speed across the plate. The matchless fielding of Davis, Gleason, and Hartman did much toward making things easy for the big pitcher, for they grabbed up grounders with such life and dash that it seemed an impossibility to drive the ball to the outfield with safety. McCreery cut quite a large figure in the victory, for he made two hits, scored two of the New Yorks' three runs, and shut a run off at the plate with a clean throw. Grady's catching was an accomplishment of which his friends felt proud, a great running catch of a foul off the front of the grand stand being one of the features of the game.

While Meekin receives credit for outpitching Dunn, still the latter should not be overlooked. He was in his best form. Like Meekin, he used "change of pace," and had all the batters guessing. His support, barring that of Shindle, was all that he could have desired. Hallman's second-base play was a treat, some of his stops, throws, and catches being of such merit that everybody, including Harlem partisans, applauded him. Ryan's catching and Lachance's clean record at short were sources of encouragement to the small army of Brooklynites who made the trip to Harlem hoping for victory. All in all, the Brooklyns, though beaten, gave an excellent account of themselves.

With two out in the first inning, Lachance received a base on balls. The next minute he was called out when Meekin threw the ball to Joyce to catch the big fellow napping. It was a close ruling, and the Brooklyns claimed after the game that Lachance got to the bag before he was touched. There was no kicking over the decision, which was rendered by Snyder, as Curry took care of balls and strikes. In New York's half, after Griffin had made a sensational catch of Van Haltren's hard liner, Wilmot singled to right, and the cranks who used New York to win began to feel happy. Tucker, however, made a clever catch of Joyce's foul and Dunn threw out Davis.

Meekin's effectiveness showed to an advantage in the second inning. With one out, Shindle's fly was muffed by Wilmot. Tucker scratched a hit past Joyce. Hallman's best effort was a grounder to Gleason, on which the runners moved up, but Ryan's pop fly to Davis left them both. The New Yorks were retired in rapid order in the last half, and the crowd began to settle back for an ice-breaker. With two out in the third, Jones received four balls but was left, Lachance grounding to Meekin. There was another goose egg waiting for the New Yorks in their half. The best play in the fourth was a fine catch by Sheckard off Joyce, who hit the ball almost to the ropes in left field.

A lightning double play by Gleason, Davis and Joyce killed Brooklyn's chance for a run in the fifth, after which the Harlemites got two runs, when they should have been blanked. McCreery started things with a two-bagger to left. Grady and Meekin retired, and the runner reached third on the latter's out. Van Haltren received a base on balls, and Wilmot hit the sphere to Shindle. The latter had three plays to make. One was to catch McCreery at the plate, another was to force Van Haltren at second, and the third was to shut the batter off at first. Instead of making one of these plays and closing the inning, Shindle fell all over the ball and McCreery scored. Then Joyce pushed a safe drive to left and Van Haltren came in, while Wilmot and Joyce got to third and second respectively on the throw in. Ryan's beautiful running catch of Davis's high foul, however, ended the rally, and the Brooklyn rooters felt somewhat relieved.

When the Brooklyns had been put out again in one, two, three order in the sixth, Meekin's pitching was so good that baseball students were sure that New York, barring accidents, would win. In the last half star plays by Hallman and Shindle were chiefly responsible for another New York blank, two men being left. Meekin had things his own way again in the seventh, while the New Yorks, after Van Haltren and Joyce had made hits, were shut out once more because of a gilt-edged double play by Hallman and Lachance.

The eighth inning was interesting from both vantage points. Hallman opened with a base hit to left, and stole second after two men were out. Manager Barnie sent Horton up to coach at third base, and the move proved fatal. Griffin came along with a corking single to right and Hallman started for third. McCreery ran in on the drive and took it on a short bound. If Horton saw him do this he did not show it, for he permitted Hallman to round third base and hustle on to the plate. McCreery's throw to Grady was, therefore, so true and well timed that Hallman's fate was sealed before he got half way to the rubber. After two men had been settled in New York's half, McCreery hunted safely and then stole second. Grady hit to Hallman, and the latter's excusable fumble let Mac get home with the third run for Joyce's side. Meekin filed out.

Then Brooklyn's last turn began. The fact that Barnie's men had been making rallies at the fag end of their games made most of the crowd wait, and when Jones got a life on Hartman's low throw the cranks became anxious. It became a fight to keep from being shut out, and also to win a possible victory, that the Brooklyns were making, but that cool proposition, Meekin, was in the box still and hadn't lost his cunning. Big Lachance struck out, and there was a sigh which was smothered by a cheer. Sheckard cracked a base hit to right, and Jones stopped at second. Shindle boomed a fly to Wilmot, who dropped it, probably because he did not gauge the blazing sun properly, and Jones scored, while Sheckard rushed to third and Shindle landed on second. A base hit would have tied the score, and the crowd knew it. But Meekin seemed to realize that Tucker was overanxious and promptly also saw terrific "straights" over the inside corner of the plate. They were beauties, and Tucker struck at each one without connecting. As Hallman popped a fly to Davis and ended the game the cranks knew that it was Meekin's strategy that had more than helped to carry the day. The score:

NEW YORK.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.	BROOKLYN.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Van H'n,cf	1	1	0	0	0	Griffin, cf	0	1	2	0	0
Wilmot, lf	0	1	1	0	0	Jones, rf	1	1	0	0	0
Joyce, 1b	0	2	16	0	0	Lachance, 1b	0	0	2	2	0
Davis, ss	0	0	4	4	0	Sheckard, lf	0	1	3	0	0
Gleason, 2b	0	0	3	4	0	Shindle, 3b	0	0	1	0	2
Hartman, 3b	0	0	1	4	1	Tucker, 1b	0	1	8	0	0
McCreery, rf	2	2	0	1	0	Hallman, 2b	1	1	3	4	0
Grady, c	0	0	5	0	0	Ryan, c	0	0	4	0	0
Meekin, p	0	0	0	4	1	Dunn, p	0	0	0	3	0
Totals	3	6	27	17	4	Totals	1	4	24	10	3

New York ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—3
Brooklyn ..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 1—1

Two-base hit—McCreery. Stolen bases—Van Haltren, Hartman, Hallman. First base on errors—New York, 2; Brooklyn, 4. First base on balls—Off Meekin, 3; off Dunn, 4. Struck out—By Meekin, 3; by Dunn, 1. Left on bases—New York, 8; Brooklyn 4. Double plays—Gleason, Davis, and Joyce; Hallman and Lachance. Umpire—Curry. Assistant umpire—Snyder. Time—1 hour and 45 minutes. Attendance, 4,000.

BALTIMORE, 13; BOSTON, 0.

Boston, May 9.—Baltimore fairly smothered the home team to-day, administering a coat of white wash to the tune of 13 to 0. Hughes tried his hand again for the Orioles, and held the home team down to two hits. Nichols was out of form, and was hit hard and often. The weather was better adapted to football than to baseball. The score:

BOSTON.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.	BALTIMORE.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Hamilton, cf	0	0	0	0	0	McGraw, 3b	3	3	1	1	1
Tenney, 1b	0	0	9	0	0	Jennings, ss	1	2	3	4	0
Stivetts, lb	0	0	2	0	0	Kelley, lf	1	4	4	0	0
Keister, ss	0	0	1	2	0	Stenzel, cf	1	0	1	0	0
Duffy, lf	0	0	2	0	0	Demont, 3b	2	3	1	1	0
Collins, 3b	0	0	2	3	1	McGann, 1b	2	1	10	1	1
Stahl, rf	0	1	1	0	0	O'Brien, rf	1	0	1	0	0
Lowe, 2b	0	0	7	5	0	Clarke, c	1	2	8	2	0
Bergen, c	0	0	2	0	1	Hughes, p	1	1	2	4	0
Nichols, p	0	1	0	2	1						
Totals	0	2	27	15	3	Totals	13	16	27	18	3

Baltimore	1	2	0	0	0	2	1	7	0	—13
Boston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0

Two-base hits—Stahl, Clarke. First base on balls—Off Nichols, 8; off Hughes, 2. Struck out—By Nichols, 2; by Hughes, 2. First base on errors—Baltimore, 6; Boston, 5. Stolen bases—McGann, Demontreville. Double plays—Collins, Lowe, and Tenney (2); Keister, Lowe and Tenney; Jennings and McGann. Passed balls—Bergen, 3. Wild pitch—Nichols. Time—1 hour and 50 minutes. Umpires—Lynch and Connelly. Attendance—2,000.

PHILADELPHIA, 11; WASHINGTON, 6.

WASHINGTON, May 9.—The Philadelphias bunched their hits in the sixth and seventh to-day and pummelled Mercer all over the lot, though the Washington twirler received poor support during this fusillade. Dunkle was removed after the fourth, and Piatt, a left-hander, pitched the remaining five innings, but one hit being made off his delivery. Attendance 2,000. The score:

WASHINGTON.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.	PHILADELPHIA.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Gettman, rf	2	2	0	1	0	Cooley, cf	1	2	3	0	0
Selbach, lf	0	0	2	0	0	Douglass, 1b	1	1	8	0	0
McIlale, cf	0	1	2	0	1	Delehanty, lf	1	1	0	0	0
Doyle, 1b	1	1	13	1	1	Lajoie, 2b	1	1	4	4	0
Farrell, c	3	0	3	1	0	Thomps'n, rf	2	2	1	0	0
Leahy, 3b	1	1	2	1	1	Cross, ss	1	0	2	2	1
Reitz, 2b	1	1	1	1	1	Nash, 3b	2	2	4	1	0
Wrigley, ss	0	1	3	2	2	McFarland, c	2	2	7	0	0
Mercer, p	1	1	1	4	0	Dunkle, p	0	0	0	1	0
McGuire*	0	1	0	0	0	Piatt, p	1	0	0	1	0
Brown†	0	0	0	0	0						
Totals	6	9	27	18	5	Totals	11	13	27	17	2

*McGuire batted for Mercer in the ninth.
†Brown ran for McGuire.

Washington	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0—6
Philadelphia	0	1	0	0	0	3	7	0	0—11

First base by errors—Washington, 1; Philadelphia, 4. Left on bases—Washington, 5; Philadelphia, 8. First base on balls—Off Mercer, 4; off Dunkle, 6; off Piatt, 3. Struck out—By Mercer, 2; by Piatt, 2. Two-base hits—Leahy, Reitz, Cooley, Douglass, Lajoie, Thompson, McFarland (2). Sacrifice hits—Selbach, Reitz. Stolen bases—Gettman (2), Doyle (3), Farrell, Delehanty (2). Double plays—Cross, Lajoie and Douglass; Lajoie and Douglass; McFarland and Nash. Hit by pitcher—By Mercer, 1. Umpire—Emslie. Assistant umpire—Andrews. Time—2 hours 15 minutes.

PITTSBURG, 9; LOUISVILLE, 5.

PITTSBURG, MAY 9.—The Pirates' broke their Jonah streak and won their first game of the season on the home grounds to-day. They outplayed the Louisvilles on all points and won from the start. Attendance, 2,000. The score:

PITTSBURG.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.	LOUISVILLE.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Donovan, rf	3	2	3	0	1	F. Clarke, lf	1	1	1	0	0
Padden, 2b	2	4	2	5	1	Ritchie, ss	0	0	1	3	0
Gray, 3b	0	2	0	2	2	Hoy, cf	1	1	2	0	0
McCarthy, lf	2	3	2	0	0	Wagner, 1b	0	1	13	0	1
Davis, 1b	1	2	15	0	1	Nance, rf	1	1	2	0	0
Ely, ss	1	0	1	4	1	G. Smith, 2b	1	1	3	1	0
Schriver, c	0	1	3	1	0	Cl'gm'n, 3b	0	1	0	0	0
Brodie, cf	0	1	0	0	0	Dexter, c	1	2	2	2	0
Rhines, p	1	0	0	2	0	Cunni'g'm, p	0	0	2	1	0
Totals	9	12	27	14	6	Totals	5	8	24	9	2

Pittsburg	4	0	0	3	0	2	0	0	—9
Louisville	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	—5

Home run—McCarthy. Three-base hit—Davis. Stolen bases—Clarke, McCarthy, Gray. First base on balls—Off Cunningham, 1. Struck out—By Rhines, 8. Hit by pitched ball—Padden, Rhines, Brodie. Left on bases—Pittsburg, 6; Louisville, 6. Time—2 hours. Umpires—O'Day and McDonald.

ST. LOUIS, 6; CINCINNATI, 5.

CINCINNATI, May 9.—Although Hill struck out nine men, he was hit rather freely, and the Browns finally defeated the Reds in a twelve-inning game to-day before 2,000 persons. The score:

ST. LOUIS.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.	CINCINNATI.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Dowd, cf	2	1	3	0	0	McBride, cf	3	3	1	0	0
Turner, rf	2	3	4	0	0	Smith, lf	0	3	2	0	0
Harley, lf	1	3	5	0	1	Beckley, 1b	1	1	12	2	0
Clements, c	1	1	6	3	0	Miller, rf	0	0	0	0	0
Cross, 3b	0	1	2	5	0	Corcoran, ss	0	1	3	1	1
Decker, 1b	0	1	16	0	0	Irwin, 3b	0	0	4	3	1
Hall, ss	0	2	2	6	0	Steinf'dt, 2b	0	1	2	4	0
Crooks, 2b	0	2	1	2	0	Peitz, c	0	0	9	0	0
Hughey, p	0	0	0	2	0	Hill, p	1	0	2	6	0
Daniels, p	0	1	0	0	0						
*Sugden	0	0	0	0	0	Totals	5	9	35	17	4
Totals	6	13	36	18	1						

*Batted for Hughey. †Hall out for batting out of order.

St. Louis	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	1—6
Cincinnati	0	2	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0—5

Stolen bases—Peitz, McBride, Cross. Two-base hits—Steinfeldt, Smith, Clements, Decker. Three-base hits—Beckley, Corcoran, McBride, Harley. Struck out—By Hill, 9; by Hughey, 2; by Daniels, 2. Sacrifice hits—Turner, McBride, Beckley, Dowd, Cross. First base on balls—Off Hill, 3; off Hughey, 2; off Daniels, 3. Wild pitch—Hughey. Passed balls—Clements, 2. Hit by pitcher—McBride, Beckley. Umpires—Cushman and Heydler. Time—2 hours and 50 minutes.

CHICAGO, 12; CLEVELAND, 1.

CLEVELAND, May 9.—Cleveland could neither field nor bat to-day, while Chicago did both in approved fashion. Wilson was batted out of the box in the fourth. McAllister, who relieved him, was injured by a batted ball, and gave way to Keib, who pitched a fairly good game. The score:

CLEVELAND.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.	CHICAGO.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.	E.
Burkett, lf, cf	0	1	1	1	1	Wood, rf	1	1	1	0	0
McKean, ss	0	1	1	2	0	Lange, cf	2	3	1	0	0
Childs, 2b	0	1	3	4	1	Dahlen, ss	1	3	3	4	0
O'Connor, lb	0	2	9	1	0	Everett, 1b	0	2	12	0	0
Blake, rf	0	0	0	0	1	Ryan, lf	1	1	3	0	0
S'kalexis, cf	0	1	5	0	1	M'C'rm'k, 3b	3	3	1	2	0
Tebeau, 3b	0	0	1	3	0	Connor, 2b	1	1	4	6	0
Zimmer, c	0	0	5	1	0	Donohue, c	2	2	9	2	1
Wilson, p	0	0	0	0	0	Griffith, p	1	1	0	4	0
McAllister, p	0	0	0	0	0						
Keib, p	1	1	0	1	0	Totals	12	17	27	18	1
Totals	1	6	27	13	4						

Cleveland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0—1
Chicago	0	0	4	4	1	2	0	1	1—12

Earned runs—Chicago, 4. First base on errors—Cleveland, 1; Chicago, 3. Left on bases—Cleveland, 6; Chicago, 9. Three-base hit—Griffith. Two-base hits—Lange, Connor, Donohue. Double play—Dahlen, Connor and Everett. First base on balls—Off Keib, 1; off Griffith, 3. Struck out—By Wilson, 1; by Keib, 3; by Griffith, 2. Sacrifice hit—Donohue. Stolen bases—McCormack, Donohue, Lange, Dahlen. Wild pitches—Wilson, 1; Griffith, 1. Hit by pitcher—By Wilson, 1; by Griffith, 1. Umpires—Swartwood and Wood. Time—2 hours.

Atlantic League.

AT READING.

	R.	H.	E.
Reading	0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—0	1	4
Newark	0 1 0 2 0 0 2 0 0—5	6	1

Batteries—Garvin and Heydon; Jordan and Rothfuss.

AT RICHMOND.

	R.	H.	E.
Richmond	0 1 0 2 0 1 0 0 0—4	9	1
Hartford	0 3 0 1 0 0 1 2 0—7	14	2

Batteries—Sparks and Hess; Roach and Frye.

AT NORFOLK.

	R.	H.	E.
Norfolk	0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 0—2		
Lancaster	0 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 0—3		

Batteries—Berger and Foreman; Wente and Sprogel.

AT ALLENTOWN.

	R.	H.	E.
Allentown	4 0 0 2 1 0 0 0 0—7	11	3
Paterson	0 0 4 0 2 2 1 0 0—9	10	7

Batteries—Wood and Foster; Vian and Bemis.

Eastern League.

AT BUFFALO.

	R.	H.	E.
Buffalo	1 1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1—4	7	2
Montreal	3 0 2 0 0 0 1 0 2—8	11	5

Batteries—Gray and Diggins; Yerrick and Butler.

AT ROCHESTER.

	R.	H.	E.
Rochester	1 1 3 4 0 0 0 0 0—9	8	0
Toronto	2 0 3 0 0 2 0 0 0—7	11	5

Batteries—Yerkes and Boyle; McFarland and Casey.

AT WILKESBARRE.

	R.	H.	E.
Wilkesbarre	4 0 1 2 0 0 0 0 0—7	9	2
Syracuse	0 0 2 1 0 0 0 0 1—4	5	6

Batteries—Coakley and Conding; Lampe and Burrill.

AT SPRINGFIELD.

	R.	H.	E.
Springfield	0 0 0 0 2 0 0 1 1—4	10	8
Providence	2 0 0 3 0 1 1 0 0—8	8	5

Batteries—Hemming and Duncan; Braun and Noble.

New England League.

At Newport—Newport, 26; Taunton, 10.
At New Bedford—Fall River, 8; New Bedford, 7.
At Brockton—Brockton, 8; Pawtucket, 8.

Other Games.

AT GREENPOINT.

	R.	H.	E.
Colored Greater N. Y.	0 2 0 3 0 1 3 1—25	24	4
Fraternal A. A.	1 0 0 0 1 0 0 1 1—4	8	9

Batteries—Miller and Brown; Hardy and Williams.

AT OHIO FIELD.

	R.	H.	E.
N. Y. U. 1901	3 4 1 0 0 0 0 3 2—13	14	4
Berkeley	0 0 0 3 0 1 0 0 0—4	4	4

Batteries—Taylor and Aspinwall; Campbell, Eward and McKay.

AT DANBURY.

	R.	H.	E.
Danbury	0 0 1 0 3 2 3 0 0—9	9	1
Derby	0 1 0 0 0 0 1 0 0—2	8	4

Batteries—Crawford and Phelps; Crat, Osborne and Manning.

AT HANOVER.

	R.	H.	E.
Dartmouth	0 0 0 2 0 5 1 0 0—8	7	4
Brown	0 1 0 1 1 3 0 0 0—6	9	6

Batteries—Drew and Patey; Lestage and Woodworth.

AT OSWEGO.

	R.	H.	E.
Oswego	0 0 0 0 0 5 0 1 0—6	5	3
Cuban X Giants	1 2 0 0 2 2 2 0 0—9	5	2

Batteries—Everhart and Murphy; Robinson and Jordan.

AT NEW HAVEN.

	R.	H.	E.
New Britain	2 2 1 4 2 1 0 2 0—14	12	4
New Haven	1 0 0 0 0 3 2 1 1—8	8	9

Batteries—McCarthy and Luchia; Lynch and Sommers.

At Providence—Brown 1900, 6; M. I. T. 1900, 5.

ROWING.

Trouble Over the Date for the Big Cutless Boat Race.

NEW HAVEN, May 9.—Yale's crew managers say that if the statements sent out from Cornell that the Ithacans will not row the 'varsity race against Harvard and Yale later than June 24 are true, they see no chance of the big race being rowed. President Grenville Parker of the Yale navy said to-night in speaking of the situation:

"Both Yale and Harvard have sent to Cornell their announcement that they cannot row the freshman contest until June 24 and the 'varsity race until June 25. Both of the New England universities have conflicting engagements on June 23 and 24, and the Yale faculty have declined to allow us to row the 'varsity race until June 25. We have notified Cornell of our position, and expect an answer giving the decision on rowing either on June 25 or, perhaps, on some later date, which would be agreeable to all three institutions."

Bob Cook said: "We have found ourselves unable to row on June 24; Harvard has done the same, and Harvard has sent the statement of both to Cornell." Capt. Payne Whitney of the Yale crew said in talking over the matter: "June 24 was never definitely agreed upon, as has been claimed."

Another Eight Made Up of Cornell Oarsmen.

ITHACA, May 9.—Coach Courtney of the Cornell crew made up a new second 'varsity to-night, and the enthusiasts here are looking for many interesting developments in the next few weeks. It is Courtney's plan to get up a crew that will defeat the first 'varsity and then transfer the cleverest oarsmen to the latter boat, thus getting the best possible combination out of the many candidates. In forming this new crew Courtney took the best men of the old second and third 'varsities and combined them. What was called the third 'varsity was last year's freshman crew, which has proved a worthless combination ever since it was first put together. To-night's change disbands the latter as a whole, two of the strongest men going into the second boat. The new combination is as follows: Raymond, stroke; Ludlam, 7; Holloway, 6; Wakeman, 5; Bailey, 4; Perkins, 3; Beardslee, 2; Stamford, bow. Wakeman rowed at bowl in '96, '97 'varsity and Ludlam at bow in the '96 'varsity. Of late Courtney has been trying to develop Wakeman and Ludlam into port men in order to strengthen the weak side of the 'varsity shell.

Another important move to-night on the part of Cornell's coach was the initiation into service of the new cedar shell. The 'varsity tried it and it went well. The shell was not finished in time last year for the men to get accustomed to it. The boat is nearly ten feet longer than the ordinary one, and several inches narrower. Courtney supervised the construction, and put in all his latest ideas. He says it will be proved to be the best racing shell ever built.

Chess Players for Vienna.

Pillsbury has decided to go to Vienna, in order to take part in the international masters' tournament. He will leave this city on May 17. Showalter and the brothers D. G. and J. W. Baird will leave on next Saturday. According to present arrangements the team which will play at Vienna will be made up as follows:

America, Steinitz, Pillsbury, Showalter, and D. G. Baird; England, Blackburne, Burn, Caro, and Mason; Russia, Tschigorin, Alapin, and Schiffers; Germany, Tarrasch, Lipke, and Walbrodt; Austria, Marco, Schlechter, and Halprin; Hungary, Charousek and Marocsy; France, Janowski.

Lawn Tennis.

CAMBRIDGE, May 9.—B. C. Wright of Hopkinson's School, Boston, won the interscholastic tournament from A. P. Hawes of the same school on Holmes Field this morning, defeating him 6—2, 6—2, 6—0.

NEW HAVEN, May 9.—The Yale interscholastic tennis tournament, in which Connecticut preparatory schools competed, was played to-day on the New Haven Lawn Tennis Club courts. The finals were won by F. C. Boardman of the Hotchkiss Preparatory School, Lakeville. He met and defeated C. H. Bradley of the Hillhouse High School of this city in three straight sets, by the scores 6—2, 6—3, 6—1. There were fifteen entries, five schools being represented.

Billiards.

J. Byron Stark, the crack billiard player of the Knickerbocker A. C., added another victory to his credit in the A. A. U. handicap billiard tournament yesterday afternoon and demonstrated to the satisfaction of everybody present that, barring accidents, he will carry off the honors in the tournament. Stark had for his opponent Louis A. Servatus, but the latter was never prominent at any stage of the contest. The game was never interesting save for the brilliant cue work of Stark. The final score was: Stark, 300; Servatus, 97.

Special League Bulletin.

President N. E. Young of the National League has sent the following special bulletin to each club, with the request that it be posted in the players' dressing rooms. Section 3, which refers to the pitcher's delivery, is of vital importance, as it will affect the methods of a number of twirlers:

To the end that all the umpires may rule uniformly, the following interpretations of the rules will be observed:

1. The base runner is entitled to advance a base on an illegal delivery which is also a balk. The batsman is entitled to take a base on an illegal delivery.

2. Baserunning is one of the most attractive features of the game, and strict enforcement of Rule 93 in relation to balking, being for its encouragement, must receive strict enforcement. The pitcher, in throwing to any base to catch the runner, shall first step directly toward said base before throwing the ball.

3. Rule 29 provides that both feet of the pitcher shall be in front of the pitcher's plate in his position. In delivering the ball the left foot he shall not make a step back of the plate in his delivery.

4. The assistant umpire shall make all decisions at first, second and third bases, except third base when he is making or is liable to make a decision on any other base, in which case the umpire shall make the decision at third base.

5. If a thrown ball strikes either umpire before it reaches the player to whom it is thrown, no base shall be run or advantage gained by reason of the accident; if it strikes either umpire after having passed the player to whom it was thrown, each base runner shall be entitled to advance one base.

New Jersey A. C. Baseball Schedule.

J. P. Krebs, Chairman of the New Jersey Athletic Club Baseball Committee, has scheduled the strongest amateur teams the club has ever met. The opening game will take place on the club grounds on Saturday next. Invitations have been sent to all the residents of Bayonne City, particularly the women folks, who have been more than interested in the doings of the baseball department. The opening game will be with the Woodbridge Athletic Club of Woodbridge, N. J. The schedule as arranged is as follows:

At Home—May 14, Woodbridge A. C.; 28, Staten Island C. C.; 30, P. M. Crawford A. C.; June 11, South Orange F. C.; 25, Volunteer A. C.; July 9, Staten Island F. C.; 23, N. Y. Post Office; Aug. 6, Williamburg F. C.; 20, Murray Hill; 24, Montclair A. C.

Abroad—May 21, Staten Island C. C.; 30, A. M., Cranford A. C.; June 4, Englewood F. C.; 8, Riverdale A. C.; July 2, Woodbridge A. C.; 16, South Orange F. C.; 30, Englewood F. C.; Aug. 13, Arlington A. C.; 27, Staten Island C. C.; Sept. 10, Montclair A. C.

Baseball Games To-Day.

NATIONAL LEAGUE AND AMERICAN ASSOCIATION.

Brooklyn at New York; Baltimore at Boston; Philadelphia at Washington; Louisville at Pittsburg; St. Louis at Cincinnati; Chicago at Cleveland.

EASTERN LEAGUE.

Toronto at Rochester; Montreal at Buffalo; Providence at Springfield; Syracuse at Wilkesbarre.

ATLANTIC LEAGUE.

Newark at Reading; Paterson at Allentown; Hartford at Richmond; Lancaster at Norfolk.

OTHER GAMES.

Harvard vs. Amherst, at Cambridge.
Georgetown vs. University of Virginia, at Washington.
Newark High School vs. Brooklyn Latin School, at Newark.
Oswego vs. Cuban X Giants, at Oswego.
Johnsonburg vs. Acme Colored Giants, at Johnsonburg.

Baseball Notes.

X. Y. Z.—Italian.

Ball players who have faced Hughes, Baltimore's wonderful pitcher, say he is a second Rusie.

Wilmot was handicapped yesterday by a lame leg, which might have accounted for his two muffs.

Mike Tiernan is still on the sick list. He is badly needed, as Wilmot cannot begin to play left field as the veteran can.

The New Yorks and Brooklyns will play again at the Polo Grounds to-day. Kennedy and Rusie will probably be the pitchers.

The St. Anthony baseball team would like to hear from all teams averaging 17 years. Address S. A. Smillie, 218 Spring street.

If Davis or Gleason should be injured the New Yorks would be in a predicament, as Joyce has no first-class substitute.

The Boonton Baseball Club has reorganized, and is now completing its schedule for the coming season. Address Sam G. Harris, Boonton, N. J.

The Honecks have organized for the season, and will play all teams with players averaging 16 years. Address Alfred Buckman, 1338 Second avenue.

The New York Club is trying a youngster of the name of Foster, who is said to hail from the New York University, in practice. He is an outfielder.

Tim Burke's many friends here were delighted when they heard last night that St. Louis had beaten Cincinnati in a twelve-inning game. It must have made the ex-umpire feel satisf