CURRENT SPORTING TALK.

A WAY TO RESTORE HARMONY IN THE BASEBALL WORLD.

Freedman Says "Threw Baltimore Out!" but Turn About Is Fair Play—What Will Anson Get?—Dixon's Benefit—Fitz's Next Move—Columbia's Football Field.

In opening fire upon Freedmanism with the statement that the President of the New York club should have been driven out of baseball long ago, P. T. Powers, President of the Eastern League, merely voices the sentiments of several of the National League magnates, who, lacking the necessary amount of nerve to take the bull by the horns, are obeying the mandates of the Boss and incidentally are spreading discord throughout the ranks of the club-owners. In several conversations with THE SUN reporter in times past one of the very men who are now doing Freedman's bidding said: "Since he got into baseball Freedman has caused nothing but trouble. He knew nothing about the game when he took hold of the New York's just after they had won the Temple cup in 1894. He soon had quarrels on with his players and has kept them up ever since. Then he had squabbles with baseball enthusiasts, players and managers of other teams until his fellow magnates tried to smooth him over. But it was of no use. The man was so swelled with his own importance that he turned down his best friends when he received advice from them. The late C. H. Byrne tried to champion Freedman's cause in League meetings, but instead of receiving thanks from the New Yorker Byrne was told to mind his own business. There is not a man in the League to-day, barring Soden, who has not been either slighted or slurred by Freedman, and because some of them have shown feeling he intends to get square. If Soden didn't have $30,000 worth of stock in the New York club he would be thrown among the others by Freedman because the latter couldn't use him.

"It is a matter of record that Freedman has been severely scored in the press by Magnates Brush of Cincinnati, Hart of Chicago, Hanlon and Von der Horst of Baltimore, Abell and Ebbets of Brooklyn, Robison of St. Louis, Wagner of Washington, Rogers of Philadelphia, to say nothing of the various managers, umpires and players who have come in contact with him. But in spite of the scoring Freedman has defied every one of his enemies to do his worst. He has openly stated that unless the League men get down on their knees he will so effectually kill the game that everybody will be bankrupt.

"By his mismanagement and the encouragement of ruffianism at the Polo Grounds he has succeeded in killing the interest here anyway. It is doubtful whether he can revive it, even if the magnates get down and quit. He doesn't know baseball and consequently cannot run a big League club successfully. He hides his inability behind the statement that he is indifferent because of alleged grievances.

"If Freedman was out of baseball there would be no trouble. But he says he will not sell his stock, so what are we going to do?"

This question was answered by the magnate who made these remarks when, a few weeks later, he threw up his hands and surrendered. But this same individual, if he had nerve, would have instituted a movement long ago that would have smoothed everything out.

"Throw Foster and Baltimore out of the League!" was Freedman's cry in December last. "Let 'em go into the courts and sue all they want to!"

But the magnates, even though they had to turn against their old friends Abell and Van der Horst, could not carry out this order, because Brooklyn stood too strongly with the public. There has been nothing but turmoil ever since, however.

"Pitch Baltimore out and let Von der Horst sue!" The subservient allies of Freedman, afraid to disobey, are thinking seriously of doing this, in which event they will bring on a worse tangle than at present exists. But the bombshell fired by Powers is calculated to make some sober of the members of the club and think for the moment of a plan that was suggested to the ringleaders not long ago, but which has not been tried as yet, because of the absence of a plucky leader in the League who is not afraid of Freedman.

"The whole row can be settled in a jiffy," said a big baseball man to THE SUN man last night, "and the League men can adopt Freedman's rough-and-ready policy at that. Get rid of Freedman first! How? Throw the present New York club out of the circuit and let Freedman sue! He has admitted that he does not intend to help the business interests of his partners, and that is ground enough for radical action. Expel the New York club! Make the champion Brooklyn club the new New York club in an eight-club circuit, to compose Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Chicago, St. Louis, Cincinnati and Pittsburg!

"That would straighten out the tangle in Baltimore, which bids fair to make a heap of trouble if Freedman has his way. It would reunite old friends who are at present bitter enemies all on account of Freedman and would once more restore the public's confidence in the magnates. The little Atlantic League had nerve enough to throw Freedman's Metropolitans out several years ago and attend a game for the same reasons that the big League has now. Freedman brought suit against the Atlantic League, but it has never come to trial. Possibly a move of this sort might bring the New York man to terms, but if the magnates continue their present course, they might as well throw up the flag. Freedmanism will kill the League if it isn't stamped out itself."

It is reasonable to suppose that Soden and Brush, who hold New York club stock, would not evince a desire to get rid of Freedman unless somebody handed them the price of their stock and a supply of backbone. Things are said to be working, however.

Adrian C. Anson's attitude toward his fellow Association promoters is causing considerable comment among baseball men. Anson was the man who interested M. J. Gilmore in the Philadelphia end of the Association movement when that city was completely devoid of prospective backers. Then Anson left for the West, declaring that the new circuit was a cinch. When the Association went to Chicago for their recent unsatisfactory conference they were surprised to notice a lukewarmness about Anson. But in order to hire him with renewed ambition the Association men elected him to the Presidency. Then they appointed a Circuit Committee to secure the eighth city, presumably Washington. Telegrams to Anson were, in some cases, unanswered, while other messages were met with discouraging replies. Finally, when Anson was peremptorily commanded to call another meeting he positively refused on the ground that further deliberations would be useless. Have National League agents been at work? That is a query that Association men would like to have answered, and there are a few more, too. Did the League men induce Anson's backers to back out? Have the Leaguers promised to make Anson chief of the umpire staff, providing the latter delivers the goods in the new movement? Has Anson learned that he can have the management of a certain League club or that a baseball bearing his name will be adopted by the League when the contract with the Spaldings expires?

Some persons were disappointed because the benefit tendered to George Dixon on Wednesday night did not pack the Broadway A. C. from pit to dome. A prominent sport who paid $7 for a box seat gave these reasons:

"In the first place it's too much to ask the public to pay $2, $3, $5 and $7 to attend a benefit when a first-class fight can be seen for $1, $3 and $5. Then, too, Dixon has drawn many big houses in the past at fancy prices, including the big crowd that saw McGovern defeat him. Possibly the people think he ought to have some money laid away as he has had a fortune pass through his hands since he first became prominent. It is also possible that the public, always fickle and never stuck on back numbers, has gone back on George in his hour of defeat. Such is life! When you're a champion you've got friends all over the world! When you're licked it's a question who is your friend! Dixon's had an army of friends in his day, and he's been a friend to an army. I thought this place would be packed to-night, but there's something wrong." Threatening weather and high prices were the real reasons for some of the empty seats.

Tom Sharkey wants to fight Bob Fitzsimmons instead of Kid McCoy. Sharkey's manager, Tom O'Rourke, wants him to fight McCoy instead of Fitzsimmons, because the Cornishman insists upon a side bet, which is illegal in this State. There can be no discussion as to which match would draw the larger gate. The sporting public has already seen Sharkey settle McCoy in ten rounds, so that another match between them could not be regarded with as much interest as a meeting between Sharkey and Fitzsimmons. If Sharkey and McCoy are matched in the face of Fitzsimmons's challenge to both, sporting men say that Fitz can readily accuse his rivals of cowardice. Fitzsimmons, however, must first convince people that he is sincere by wiping out the side bet situation and offering to fight under ordinary conditions. O'Rourke says he will consent to a match between Sharkey and Fitz the moment the latter shows a disposition to comply with the requirements of the law. Therefore, it looks as if it was Fitz's next move, especially as Sharkey and McCoy have not yet signed articles.

The Columbia University Football Association, contrary to the general belief, has not yet succeeded in releasing Manhattan Field. Last fall the New York Baseball Club received from Columbia more than $14,000 for the use of the field, which was nearly $2,000 in excess of the rent paid by the club to the Lynch estate. Columbia, it is understood, is anxious to lease the field outright now for a term of years, but the New York club has raised the price to what is considered by the collegians an unreasonable figure. Opposite the Columbia Library building there is a plot bounded by Amsterdam avenue on the east Broadway on the west, 116th street on the north and 114th street on the south. As 115th street has not been cut through the property the ground is fully as large as the Polo Grounds and could be turned into a superb athletic and football arena. It is believed that the owners of the property want about $2,000,000 for it, believing in time that the university will be the buyer. If the football association could lease this ground it would be vastly more convenient than Manhattan Field. It would also be possible to take in large gate receipts at all athletic events because there is no viaduct or speedway from which deadheads could look down upon the various events free of expense. Two trolley lines pass the field, which is also a few minutes walk from the elevated railroad station at 116th street.

George W. Orton, formerly of the University of Pennsylvania and noted among college athletes as a long-distance runner, has decided to compete in the Olympian games at the Paris Exposition. Orton will enter the 1,500-metre run, the 2,500-metre steeplechase, the 5,000-metre run and the 400-metre hurdle race. In the last-named event one of his strongest competitors will be Kraenzlein of the University of Pennsylvania, who holds the world's championship.

GOOD PRICES FOR TROTTERS.

Eighty-seven Head Sell for $19,340 at the Lexington Sale.

LEXINGTON, Feb. 22.—This was the third day of the Woodard and Shanklin auction sale of trotters, and prices were again good. Eighty-seven head sold to-day for a total of $19,340. Thomas W. Lawson, the Boston turfman, who is especially selecting a champion stable of trotters regardless of cost was a buyer through his agent, J. L. Dodge of Paris, who secured the pacing futurity winner Lucy May, 2:22¼, by Oakland Baron, dam Katie Clay, 2:28¾, by Allandorf, for $550. The best price to-day was paid for the three-year old filly Mememto by Electric Bell, which went to B. G. Fox, Danville, for $1,200. Best prices:

King Crystal, 2:14¾, br. h., by King Nutwood, dam by Crittenden; Lister Witherspoon, Versailles	$505
Noline, b. m., 4, by Norval, 2:14¾, dam by Madrid; J. C. Linneman, Lima, Ohio	470
Josie Nutwood, b. m., 13, by Nutwood, dam by Mambrino Time; S. J. Look, Louisville	295
Tom Rickford, d. g., 7, by Stockwood Wilkes, dam by Norval; Paul Connelly, Philadelphia	240
Mediumwood, 2:13¾, br. g., by Norwood, dam by Happy Medium; S. T. Harbison & Co., Lexington	700
Stratter, b. g., 9, by Dauntless, dam Nora Gracel; W. W. Evans, Lexington	300
Harry Brook, br. g., by Marlbrook, dam by Brown Wilkes; James E. Clay, Paris	260
Tyler Boy, b. g., 6, by Caneland Wilkes, dam by Young Jim; J. Stewart, Lexington	290
Mercutio, b. m., 5, by Electric Bell, dam by Stranger; B. G. Fox, Danville	1,200
Jean Ingelow, blk. m., 6, by Chattaroi, dam by Abdalbrino; Harry Benedict	535
Beau Brummel, ch. g., 4, by Wake Bell, dam by Dr. Spalding; Paul Connelly	410
Louis Hale, b. f., 2, by Ashland Wilkes, dam by Clay; J. G. Maple, Waynesburg, Pa.	235
Blanch Gray, gr. m., 4, by Alfonso, dam by Nephew; Nicolls & Thomas	270
Jimmy Bull, b. g., 4, by Bourbon Wilkes, dam by Westwood; C. C. Harris	310
Ewalt, b. g., 6, by Grand Sultan, dam by Bourbon Wilkes; J. T. Hughes, Lexington	310
Wilson, b. g., 5, by Wilton, dam not given; J. B. Stewart	400
Straight Ticket, b. g., 6, by Baron Wilkes, dam by Pretender; D. Thomas, Paris	300
Buckner, b. g., 5, by Baron Wilkes, dam by Bonnie Mcgregor; William Lewis	300
Albo, b. m., 7, by Bourbon Wilkes, dam by Simmons; R. Darling, Boston	475
Carlie, 2,15¼, b. g., 11, by Don Carlos, dam by Smuggler; L. Lindell, Kankanna, Wis.	300
La Rena, 2:20¼, blk. m., 5, by J. H. L., dam by Simmons; J. Wright, Winchester, Va.	250
Lucy May, 2:22¼, b. f., 3, by Oakland Baron, dam by Allandorf; J. L. Dodge	550
Nellie Robinson, 2:18¾, blk. m., 6, by J. H. L., dam by Coast Boy; Harry Clay	460
Eagle Bell, ch. m., 5, by Eaglite, dam by East Boy; D. T. Wood, Marietta, Ohio	260
Ontella, b. c., 2, by Onward, dam by Anteeo; W. J. Young	805
Quintescenz, b. c., 2, by Bow Bells, dam by Wilkes Boy; William Freeman	310
Boy, b. c., 2, by Jaybird, dam by Baron Wilkes; Bowerman Bros	310

Racing at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 22.—The anniversary of George Washington's natal day is a big holiday in New Orleans. All holiday folks came out to the racetrack and the result was the attendance this afternoon was large. In honor of the day a handicap named after the Father of his Country, and worth $1,000 to the winner, was made the feature of seven races, an unusual departure with the Crescent City Jockey Club. Al Fresco was made the favorite in the stake, at evens with Wolhurst, at 9 to 5. They got away at the first break, with Eva Rice in front; she kept in the lead to the head of the stretch, when Wolhurst joined her and in a driving finish they finished half lengths apart. Al Fresco was third, a head away. In the fifth race L. T. Caton, played off the boards by the Texas contingent, won in a romp from Nellie Prince. Summaries:

First Race—Selling; four-year-olds and upward; six furlongs—Tobe Paine, 101 (Mitchell), 10 to 1 and 4 to 1, won; Diggs, 101 (Clawson), 8 to 5 place, second; Dolly Weithoff, 98 (Weddersrand), third. Time, 1:22¾.

Second Race—Selling; two-year-olds; four and one-half furlongs—Zach Fry, 118 (Shaw), evens and 1 to 2, won; Blink, 103 (Boland), 8 to 5 place, second; Daisy Osborne, 100 (Miller), third. Time, 0:56¾.

Third Race—Selling; four-year-olds and upward; one mile—Tip Gallant, 107 (Clawson), 10 to 1 and 4 to 1, won; Lady of the West, 105 (Weber), 8 to 5 place, second; Quanah Parker, 100 (Shaw), third. Time, 1:44¾.

Fourth Race—George Washington Handicap; four-year-olds and upward; one mile and seventy yards—Wolhurst, 108 (Clawson) 9 to 5 and 2 to 5 won; Eva Rice, 107 (Ganes), 4 to 5 place, second; Al Fresco, 108 (Mitchell), third. Time, 1:48.

Fifth Race—Selling; four-year-olds and upward; seven furlongs—L. T. Caton, 105 (Shaw), 8 to 5 and 7 to 10, won; Nellie Prince, 100 (Mitchell), 2 to 1 place, second; Chilton, 98 (Waldo), third. Time, 1:30.

Sixth Race—Selling; four-year-olds and upward; one mile—Bequeath, 105 (Shaw), 3 to 1 and 7 to 5, won; Swordsman, 108 (Winkfield), 2 to 1 place, second; Col. Eads, 102 (Boland), third. Time, 1:43¾.

Seventh Race—Selling; three-year-olds; six furlongs—First Past, 99 (Wilson), 7 to 2 and 6 to 5, won; Jamaica, 107 (Mitchell), 3 to 5 place, second; Wedding Guest, 104 (Boland), third. Time, 1:16¾.

The following is the programme for to-morrow:

First Race—Seven furlongs; selling—Deponan, Barney F., La Vega and Lomond, 112; Troutaline and Flora Daniels, 107.

Second Race—Six furlongs—Clarence T., 110; Scottish Grit, Senator Gibson, Maryland Reserve and Marion Sansen, 107; Tease and Bristol, 105; Mittenthal, Satanta and Matt Simpson, 100; Newton Anger, 97. Pythia and Vitaria, 95.

Third Race—One mile and an eighth; selling—Jingo, 112; Julius Cæsar, 109; Astor, 108; Elsmore, 106; Bright Night and Gov. McHenry, 104; King Elkwood and Bill Powell, 101; Deyo, 99.

Fourth Race—One mile; handicap—Ed Gartland II., 110; Eva Rice, 107, Sidney Lucas, 103; Warrior, 100; Strangler, 97; Arkansapes, 93; Dr. Vaughan, 94; Aurea and Faywood, 90.

Fifth Race—One mile; selling—Loyalty, Sea Knight, Dominis, Arquebus and Dal Steele, 109; Swamp Angel, Chopin and Jennie F., 107, Silmah and Frank Bell, 104; Mouzelfoot, Brown Vail and Lady Dora, 102.

Sixth Race—Six and a half furlongs—Zanetto, 112; Sir Christopher, Lafayette, Free Lady, Corialis and Dr. Vaughan, 107, Race Bud, 105; Magic Light, 98; Diana Fonso and Miss Dede, 93.

Jockey Tod Sloan on a Hurry Trip for England.

CHICAGO, Feb. 22.—Tod Sloan passed through Chicago last night on his way from San Francisco to New York. To a newspaper man he said he had concluded to ride in this country this season but would not say for whom.

"I am going to England at once," he said, "to fill a few engagements, but will return for the opening of the season in New York. I expect to have mounts in the Suburban, the Futurity and in the American Derby which will be run at Washington Park in June."

Turf Notes.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.—Ten thousand persons journeyed to Tanforan to-day to see the race between Geyser, Zoroaster and F. W. Brode at a mile and a sixteenth. The public, almost to a man and woman, wanted to see little Zoroaster beat Corrigan's racer, and when their wishes were gratified they let up a cheer that could be heard for blocks away. Zoroaster won by a neck after a desperate finish in which Zoroaster proved himself game to the marrow, and in which Jockey Henry, a novice, put it all over Spencer, a veteran.

Indoor Baseball.

Even the big Thirteenth Regiment Armory in Brooklyn proved too small for the crowd of spectators that gathered to witness the second of the series of games between the National Guard baseball teams yesterday afternoon. When the game on Lincoln's Birthday was played at the Ninth Regiment armory the All Brooklyn team was defeated. In yesterday's match an extremely clever bit of diplomatic base running by Degan, followed by a sacrifice hit by Boyd, saved the New Yorks from a whitewash. The final tally stood: All New Yorks, 1; All Brooklyn, 13. The feature of the game was the battery work of Hutchinson and Thompson and the fielding of Costello, and Muller, short stop of the All Brooklyns. The victory of the All Brooklyn team necessitates another match.

Le Roy See Skates a Fast Mile.

Le Roy See skated the fastest mile of the season last night at the Clermont avenue ice skating rink in Brooklyn, in the "Washington's Birthday Handicap." Several crack skaters participated and See only won by a few inches from Arthur Yale Sargeney who had eighty yards handicap. Philip J. Kearney was third. See's time was 3 minutes 31 3-5 seconds. In the Preliminary Handicap, Harry P. McDonald, the Hedley School crack, won out, with Kearney second and J. H. Mulligan third.

GOLF.

Vardon Beats Findlay 1 Up at Palm Beach Aided by the Oleanders.

PALM BEACH, Fla., Feb. 22.—With the Vardon and Findlay golf match on, and the largest crowd ever known at Palm Beach, Washington's Birthday came in as a gala day in earnest. A. W. Black of Lakewood acted as referee. A stiff breeze made the day comfortable, but added to the difficulties of driving and of putting. Findlay got the honor and made a fine drive. He sliced his brassey, but made a fine pitch-up approach, followed by a brilliant put, which gave him the hole in 4 to 5. On the second both made 185-yard drives, landing side by side within eight yards of the hole. Findlay missed his put, while Vardon holed out in a good 3 to 4. Vardon next got a long ball but a bad lie in a row of pine trees; in playing out he went out of bounds and lost a stroke by lifting. The hole cost him 6, while Findlay holed out an easy 3, scoring 1 up. The course here crosses an avenue of palms and each played perfect golf, holing in a par 3. Both were over the hazard from the fifth tee. Vardon made the better iron approach, but missed a put, and a half in 4 resulted. On the next both made good drives and fine brassey shots over the bunker. Another half in 4 left Findlay still 1 up. Findlay reached the edge of the seventh green on his third and made a phenominal put, the hole being halved in 4. Vardon equalled this put on the eighth hole, but could not do better than Findlay's 3. On the ninth Vardon made a terrific drive over some palms, while Findlay attempted to go through but landed behind, getting out with the brassey. Vardon making a brilliant mashie pitch landed near the green. Findlay missed his put and lost the hole, 6 to 5. The first nine finished all even.

Vardon's tenth drive fell at the foot of a tree, and, having to pick it out with a left-handed play, he only succeeded in getting short of the green. This enabled Findlay to capture the hole in 4 to 5, making him 1 up. By getting a magnificent drive and failing dead to the hole with the approach, Vardon holed out the eleventh in 3 to 4. This gave him the honor and he won the twelfth hole in 4 to 5. Vardon was now 1 up. He also secured the thirteenth, in a par 3, but by missing an easy put he gave the fourteenth to his opponent, 3 to 4. A brilliant brassey shot secured the fifteenth for Findlay, in 4 to 5, making the score even all. Vardon was in trouble on the sixteenth, his ball hanging on the lip of the cup, and the hole went to Findlay. They halved the next hole in 4, leaving Findlay still 1 up. Both drove straight against the wind on the eighteenth, Vardon won in 6 to 7, making the morning play all square.

In the afternoon the first four holes were made in wonderful 3's and 4's. Findlay was now 1 up, but Vardon took the fifth in 2 and squared the score, which count stood through the next 2, both being halved. On the eighth Vardon rimmed the cup, but as his opponent missed the decisive put the hole went to Vardon at 4 to 5. He secured the ninth also and was 2 up. Vardon's lead was reduced to 1 by a put missed on the tenth. The next 2 were halved in 4. Findlay sliced his thirteenth drive and fell behind a small shed, but he pitched dead on the green with a beautiful mashie shot and gained a half in 5. Vardon lost the next by just missing his put. This made the match square again. Findlay lost the fifteenth by going into the bunker. The next was halved in 5. This left Vardon 1 up, with only 2 to go. Both overdrove the seventeenth. On returning Vardon played too strong and the hole went to Findlay in 4 to 5. All square now with 1 to go. Findlay sliced his drive and he again got a bad lie behind the palms. His brassey carried out, but not in line, and, in using an iron, he fell into a bed of oleanders. This cost Findlay the match. Vardon winning by the close score of 1 up. The turf on this course is springy and well kept. The playing length is 2,405 yards. Summary: Vardon, 79, 76; total, 151. Findlay, 75, 79; total, 154.

Rubber boots were in order at the Baltusrol Golf Club yesterday, for the ground was spotted with pools of water and here and there a bank of melting snow had to be crossed. These hardships, however, did not hurt the scoring much for when in mud the players were permitted to lift and to tee up without penalty. This concession made the journey an easy one and Tyng made nearly as good a score as he would have made in the summer time. Tyng has never played better than he is doing now and perhaps one thing that keeps his game is the confidence developed since he has seen Vardon, for, to a man who plays in an original style, the example of the celebrated English player is always an inspiration. Tyng's 88 was made by Hugh S. Toler, who is coming on very fast, made an 85 and secured the gold medal and also the net score prize. The cards for the first six to finish follow:

	Gross.	H'cap.	Net.
Hugh K. Toler— Out 5 5 7 4 5 4 4 5—42 In 4 4 4 6 4 5 5 5 6—43—85	8	82	
James A. Tyng— Out 5 4 7 5 6 4 5 7 5—48 In 4 4 3 5 5 5 7 4 3—40—88	0	88	
L. H. Graham— Out 6 4 6 5 4 6 4 5 5—45 In 4 6 3 7 6 7 6 5 5—49—94	6	88	
Gardiner Mecker— Out 5 9 7 4 5 8 5 4 6—52 In 6 5 4 5 5 7 8 5 4—49—101	13	88	
Reginald Francklyn— Out 5 9 4 7 8 5 5 5 4—52 In 6 5 7 5 6 4 5 7 5—50—102	13	89	
Prof. J. E. Denton— Out 6 4 5 5 5 7 8 4 4—43 In 4 6 4 7 6 7 8 5 6—51—100	10	90	

LAKEWOOD, Feb. 22.—Golfers in Lakewood have had better luck than seemed possible today, and, though the programme of an open handicap was abandoned yesterday when a thick covering of snow lay on the links, an informal card, including rather more of interest for the women, was carried out. The almost complete disappearance of snow under the warm rains of the past fight surprised even the veterans of the club who had planned the programme. The morning play was a men's handicap in which Findlay S. Douglas, Fairfield, and Fred S. Kimball, Lakewood, were placed at scratch. The ex-champion had come down without his clubs, expecting no chance to play, but he picked up an assortment and turned in an 84 card, which was the best in the gross column and second best in the net scores. Twelve cards were returned. P. S. P. Randolph of the Philadelphia Country Club leading the list. Scores of the morning follow:

	Gross.	H'cap.	Net.
P. S. P. Randolph, Philadelphia Club	99	15	84
Findlay S. Douglas, Fairfield	95	7	88
Robert Bage Kerr, Lakewood	95	8	87
Frank M. Freeman, Lakewood	96	8	88
W. M. Bennett, Baltusrol	113	20	93
T. C. Ennever, Baltusrol	107	12	95
W. S. Haven, Philadelphia Cricket	110	15	95
Fred P. Kimball, Lakewood	96	0	96
W. R. Bassett, Baltusrol	119	20	99
F. C. Hilliard, Fairfield	114	12	102
Mr. Townsend, Philadelphia Cricket	119	15	104
W. D. Bloodgood, Lakewood	140	30	110

In the afternoon the full course was played in a mixed foursome competition, twelve pairs entering and ten reporting results. Mrs. Frank M. Freeman and Douglas turned in from scratch the best actual score. Summaries of the afternoon:

	Gross.	H'cap.	Net.
Mrs. Dillworth and W. C. Hilliard	122	25	97
Mrs. Duncan Hunter and Mr. Hunter	112	30	98
Mrs. Sproul and R. L. Beekman	130	30	100
Miss Ferris and S. B. Ferris	128	25	103
Mrs. F. M. Freeman and Findlay S. Douglas	105	0	105
Mrs. F. C. Hilliard and Frank M. Freeman	122	12	110
Mrs. T. H. Sparks and Mr. Sparks	140	30	110
Mrs. Frank D. Beard and Mr. Beard	136	25	111
Mrs. John Moller, Jr., and Mr. Moller	140	25	115
Mrs. Robert Bage Kerr and Mr. Kerr	146	30	116

At the Laurence Harbor Country Club yesterday the first contest was held for the William J. Harding prizes, two sets of expensive art books, representing the prize-winning pictures at the recent Paris picture shows. The contests are to be held on every holiday during the year. Quite a number of the members took part. The competitions are on the percentage system, the usual three, two and one-point system followed at the different golf clubs. The trio of point winners and their scores follow:

	Gross.	H'cap.	Net.
John M. Ward	98	10	88
Mortimer M. Singer	95	6	89
N. Pendleton Rogers	118	14	104

Will Not Bring a Team of Amateur English Golfers to This Country.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—The *Pall Mall Gazette* states that Horace Hutchinson denies the story printed in a Philadelphia newspaper that he intended to take a team of amateur English golfers to the United States. Mr. Hutchinson says this is the first he had heard of the matter.

Hockey.

At the St. Nicholas Rink yesterday morning—St. Bey's High School, 1; Oriental Hockey Club, 1.

The hockey teams of the Staten Island Academy and the Heffley School of Commerce met last night at the Clermont Avenue Ice Skating Rink in Brooklyn. The Islanders tallied but 1 goal in the second period of play, being shut out in the first half, but the Heffley team tallied 2 goals in each half, making the final score of the match: Heffley School of Commerce, 4 goals; Staten Island Academy, 1 goal.

MONTREAL, Feb. 22.—The St. Nicholas Club's hockey team of New York was defeated here to-night by the McGill College team by 14 to 2. The playing of the local team was altogether too fast for the visitors and the splendid combination work of McGill was very puzzling to them. Hayward's splendid work in goals was the feature of the visitors' playing and it was only his good work that saved the score from being greater.

PET DOGS PRIZED HIGHLY.

THE DIMINUTIVE CANINES THE CENTRE OF ATTRACTION YESTERDAY.

Miss Nina Farrington and Mrs. Howard Gould Win Many Blue Ribbons in Pug Classes at the Garden—Frank Croker's Black and Tan Champion Razzle Wins.

Massive St. Bernards, Great Danes and fleet hounds had to dip their colors yesterday at the dog show to the diminutive canines that come under the class of pet dogs. Decked out in their newly won laurels the little ones fairly revelled in the attention paid to them by the visitors who kept the south gallery of Madison Square Garden jammed during the afternoon in their endeavors to catch a glimpse of the little bundles of hair that in many instances lay curled up in the corner of a glass case.

The crowd came early and stayed late, and at 3 o'clock in the afternoon the aisles were so densely packed that it was evident that Supt. Mortimer's prediction that the attendance would break all records was verified. Society was there in full force as on the preceding days, but was no longer a feature of the show, as its members were entirely dwarfed by the horde of dog lovers who took advantage of the holiday to get a peep at the fine points of their favorites in the daylight. There was apparently no attempt to rival the Horse Show as a dress parade. Though women were there in almost as great a proportion as the men, for the most part they were dressed in quiet costumes, and in point of fact were outdone in the color line by their escorts, many of whom were arrayed in all the glory of sky blue and crimson vests, with neckties of equally vivid hues to emphasize the brilliancy.

Several cases of viciousness in the dogs were noticed as a result of their three days' confinement. Highland Dick, the property of G. Wash Moore of the Highland Kennels, who failed to win a prize in the bull terrier class, carried off the honors as the champion bad dog of the show. Late on Wednesday night he got loose and jumped into the adjoining bench where his kennel companion, Tinker, was straining eagerly at his chain. Before the attendants could separate them Highland Dick got a grip on the helpless Tinker and held on with his sturdy jaws, despite the efforts of the chained animal to break away. Poor Tinker was fearfully mutilated before the handlers dragged off the infuriated dogs and he died yesterday morning. The terrier was catalogued at $500 and his death had the effect of instilling extra care into the men who had charge of the other ill-tempered ones.

Miss Nina K. Farrington and Mrs. Howard Gould were the centre of a group of friends yesterday afternoon, who were busy congratulating them. They almost swept the board of prizes in the pug classes. Zurouner, a black pug, whose date of birth and pedigree are unknown, furnished a great surprise, winning the novice, limit and open classes for dogs, while Mrs. Gould's Candace did the same in the three classes for bitches. The winner's class was captured by T. A. Howard with Champion Wallis.

Experts agreed that the small dogs were altogether the best ever shown in this city. After the judge, L. R. C. Astley, had finished his awards he indorsed this opinion and paid a further tribute to the pets by announcing that he had never seen their perfection, as they certainly outclassed the competitors at the English bench shows. Their natural beauty was set off to the utmost by the surroundings and careful handling. Every kennel was provided with a brush and comb, which was used assiduously to keep the long-haired ones in condition. The man in charge of the Ashton Kennels exhibit of Yorkshire terriers was particularly attentive to his charges, and a crowd was watching him continually as he groomed them one after another. Merry Module looked a perfect picture prior to being brought out for judgment. His rich brown hair hung down like a silken curtain, reaching to the ground and completely covering his legs. In spite of his handler's care Module came out second to Champion Tim, who was placed first in the novice, limit and open classes. First honors in these were won by J. J. Holgate's Persimmon, whose important bearing and sprightly appearance fully justified the award. The winner did not appear to relish the attention paid to him by the spectators. He looked bored, reclining on his blue silk pillow with his head resting against the glass. His discomfort was so great that a sympathizing woman declared that "the poor thing is suffocating."

One of the prettiest effects in the show was made by the Yetsan kennel of Ruby spaniels. They were located at the western end of the gallery and the sun shone full into their case, mingling their colors until they assumed a veritable dish hue. Beautiful as the lot appeared under the ideal conditions they were outclassed by Miss Claire's entry when brought under the calm eye of the judges in an equal light. The latter won the novice and limit classes with her bitch Babbie, and the limit, open and winners' classes with Duke, while the same owner's Lily Langtry took the honors for bitches.

Another swell outfit which attracted attention as much for the detail of their benching as for their merits was the quartette of Japanese spaniels exhibited by Mrs. Winifred Harrison. They were enclosed in a miniature white house with glass windows and electric lights. In pillows on which the little innamorat reclined matched the walls, which were hung with the medals won in previous shows. Ichigo was the best looking of the four and won the blue ribbon in the novice class for bitches. Miss J. K. Dunphy's Huntley Maid won the same class for dogs. Mrs. I. Sinn won the limit and open prizes with Mikado Miss, and also the open class for bitches with Hanako.

There was a crowd of women and children around Miss Fanny Lachner's toy terrier Silver Carmen all the afternoon. It was labelled "The smallest dog in the show," and its size may be imagined by the remark of one of the women who shivered as she said: "Oh, dear! It looks like a rat."

The black and tan terriers were dignified by a place on the main floor and a hand some lot they were. There was no end of struggling to get a peep at Champion Razzle, who was successful in the open and winners' classes. He was recently imported by Frank R. Croker, and the son of the Tammany chieftain was congratulated on all sides on the possession of such a handsome dog. His head is long, flat and narrow, and almost a perfect wedge shape. He shows no preponderance of check muscles and was well filled up under the eyes. His small, sparkling dark eyes are set fairly close together, and nearly all the time he stood erect with his cropped ears standing up firmly. There was little to choose between Champion Razzle and Charles Lister's Fidget, which won the novice and limit dogs and bitches and the open class for bitches. Fidget was placed second in the winners' class, while Croker's Razzle helped Champion Razzle to win the team prize.

Frank Croker's bulldog Persimmon, who arrived too late to be judged in the class for which he was entered, was assigned all day by a crowd of admirers who had come to see the dog his great reputation. The big brindle took the adulation heaped on him as a matter of course and lay lazily in the straw most of the time. The Great Danes, mastiffs and other big dogs received their share of attention, too.

Most of the crack dogs showed the effect of the day's confinement by the time the evening crowd filled the aisles again. There were not so many persons present as in the afternoon, and the the majority of them were not in a critical humor, but contented themselves with a casual glance at the wonders of the canine world as they promenaded the floor and galleries. Persimmon, Hands Up, Champion, Razzle and a few other champions held their own in popular favor.

There was a lively scene in the Irish terrier quarter just before the show closed for the night. One of the owners led a fox terrier in front of their bench, and the dogs, some of which were quietly dozing, suddenly set out in a barking chorus that brought handlers and attendants on the run. They expected to see another pitched battle, and were surprised at the immediate cessation of the clamoras the innocent cause of the trouble was led off with his tail between his legs. A few moments later Mrs. C. W. Sherman's Scottish terrier Roxburgh slipped his chain and scampered in delight among his imprisoned companions. His freedom was short lived, and he was soon securely fastened and appeared to find the chain more irksome than ever.

One of the features of the closing day will be a competition for packs of foxhounds. They will be judged in the afternoon in the big ring. The open winter has kept most of the dogs running and only the Genessee Valley Hunt and Monmouth County Hunt have entered for the $150 cup. The packs of ten will be accompanied by huntsmen and whips to add to the spectacular effect.

Wrestling and Gymnasts at Princeton.

PRINCETON, Feb. 22.—The annual joint indoor meet of the Princeton gymnastic and track team was held here this evening in the Bonner gymnasium. The time-honored wrestling contest between the freshmen and sophomores was also pulled off in connection with the exhibition and was won by the first-year men. The lightweight bout between A. W. Coleman, 1902, and G. Maverick, 1903, was given to the sophomore thirty seconds after time had been called.

In the middleweight bout J. W. Ames, the freshman representative, outweighed the sophomore, C. V. Boyer, by ten pounds, but he was unable to force his opponent's shoulders to the mat until the second round. The heavyweight bout between R. R. Sheffield, 1902, and R. B. Hodgman, 1903, was fiercely contested and went two rounds. The big freshman finally won the bout and also the contest for his class by picking Sheffield bodily off his feet and dropping him on his back. The gymnastic exhibition was the best ever given here by a Princeton team.

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LAWN TENNIS.

Second Day's Play in National Indoor Championships.

The second day's play in the national indoor championship lawn tennis tournament at the Seventh Regiment Armory yesterday attracted a large crowd of enthusiastic tennis lovers, who watched the fortunes of the struggling players both morning and afternoon. The feature of the morning play, and what proved to be the surprise of the day, was the defeat of Paret, winner of last year's all-comers