CURRENT SPORTING TALK.

AMERICAN LEAGUE FINALLY DECIDES TO TAKE IN BOSTON.

This Means a Baseball War With the National League Unless the Magnates Make Concessions—Trainer Delaney Says That Champion Jeffries Will Knock Ruhlin Out.

After many conflicting rumors of new baseball circuits the American League has so perfected arrangements that an official announcement will be made shortly that will startle the National League magnates. President Ban Johnson, having indulged in many secret conferences, is now prepared to make a definite statement as to the plans of his organization. The American League has decided to take in Boston as the eighth city. That was decided at a confab between Johnson and C. W. Somers of Cleveland at that city on Tuesday. Johnson has been rather indifferent in regard to the Hub ever since he first exploited his expansion plan, but in view of the antagonistic attitude of the National League, to say nothing of the report that a new "American Association" would be floated, the President of the American League has listened to the appeal of Arthur Irwin and his friends for the admission of Modern Athens and Charles River Park. While the deal between Johnson and Irwin has not been closed, there is an understanding, and in a few days Buffalo will be dropped from the American League to make room for the newcomer. With Boston in the circuit the American League will be able to present a solid front. The Hub will round out the Eastern end of the circuit in the most convenient way. Irwin has secured plenty of backing, and is said to be after some of the leading players of the Boston National League team.

Johnson says that the American League's circuit will begin the season next April with Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington in the East, and Chicago, Milwaukee, Detroit and Cleveland in the West. He also declares that no effort will be made to take National League players away from their present employers until his application for protection has been formally denied. In the meantime it is said that the American League men will reach an understanding with leading players of the major organization, so that if a general revolt becomes necessary there will be no confusion. To clinch matters, every club but Boston has deposited in Johnson's hands 51 per cent of the stock so that the American League President can control the situation himself without further consultation with the owners. By consenting to take in Boston, the American League has thrown off the mask and may be considered to be at open war with the National League. As long as Johnson refrained from listening to Boston's demands, the impression prevailed that he had a secret understanding with certain National League men by which he was to keep out of the Hub. But it now appears that since the meeting of the magnates in this city last month, at which they openly ignored Johnson's demands for recognition, the American League has been working quietly with the idea of springing its plans when all details had been arranged.

Whether or not the American Leaguers were successful in securing backing for their new Philadelphia club when Johnson and others were in that city a month ago matters not. Suffice it to say that some arrangement has been made by which the proposed backers of the "National Association" in Quakertown have agreed to handle the franchise there in the interest of the American League, thereby fortifying Johnson where he was weak. It is safe to say that the National League will never consent to the placing of American League clubs in Philadelphia and Boston. Consequently a request by Johnson for protection will certainly be turned down. This means that there will be a baseball war in which the National League and the American League will be the combatants. The ball players are expected to go to the American League if they obey the instructions of their leaders but they are more likely to sign with the highest bidders, who in any event will be the magnates of the elder body. The American League men say that in the event of a war they will so arrange their schedule that there will be no conflicting dates with the National League in Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago. Johnson says further that there is no reason why his circuit should not be allowed to proceed unmolested, as two clubs can live in the three cities mentioned above and that in the other towns the National League will not be affected at all. According to the present plan, the American League clubs will be backed and managed as follows:

Boston, A. A. Irwin, G. A. Bramen and Julian B Hart; Philadelphia, Connie Mack, A. H. Rogers and others; Baltimore, McGraw, Robinson & Co; Washington, James Manning and M. J. Scanlon; Chicago, Charles Comiskey; Detroit, James Burns and George Stallings; Milwaukee, Matt Lillilies; Cleveland, C. W. Somers.

This arrangement disposes of the yarn that the "American Association" is to be revived. When Buffalo has been dropped by the American League Owner James Franklin will probably make an application for a franchise in the Eastern League, while Indianapolis and Louisville, together with Kansas City, St. Paul and Minneapolis, will be left to the Western League. In this manner the baseball tangle will be untangled, so that Public will not be further confused. It is believed that the Players' Protective Association has been waiting for this latest turn in the baseball situation with the idea of making a final demand for concessions from the National League. In short, if the big magnates turn down both the American League and the Protective Association there will probably be a combination between the two factions. As a matter of fact, there has been a secret understanding between Johnson and Attorney Taylor for several months, the latter being asked to keep the ball players in line until the proper time arrived for concerted action.

William Delaney, who will train Champion Jeffries for his coming battle with Gus Ruhlin at Cincinnati, says that the boilermaker will win with a knockout. "I seconded Jeffries," said Delaney the other day, "when he fought that twenty-round draw with Ruhlin in California. The big fellow was in rather poor shape physically and quite green as to the fine points of boxing. In spite of the handicap, however, the Akron man was lucky to get a draw. Jeffries is a better boxer to-day than he was then and he will beat Ruhlin with a knockout. The champion is unquestionably the hardest hitter in the ring to-day and can take more punishment than any other heavyweight in the world. Nobody has ever been able to hit him hard enough to send him to the boards and he has received some pretty hard knocks. Ruhlin is a big, strong, husky fellow and pretty clever. He has learned a lot since he fought Jeffries on the Coast, and will probably make a good showing in the earlier rounds but Jeff will eventually beat him down, just as he did Fitzsimmons and Corbett.

"Jeffries's preparation for the battle will be arranged on a systematic basis. He will devote certain hours a day to several forms of athletic exercise. He will box, wrestle, punch the bag, toss the medicine ball, work the wrist machine, take long walks, ride the wheel and row on the lake. He will be in perfect condition when he enters the ring at Cincinnati. Jeffries weighs now, before beginning work, about 235 pounds. He will tip the beam at about 212 the day before the mill, if nothing happens. He weighed 208 when he whipped Fitzsimmons, 212 when he outpointed Sharkey, and 215 in his battle with Corbett. He will not have much trouble in reducing as he is a hard worker and is an excellent judge of his own condition.

Out West basketball has been the rage for some time, but they are trying to improve the game with novel methods. Some of the teams have donned roller skates and have played the game with so much dash and vim that the patrons of it do not care for any other style. Those who have seen basketball played on roller skates say that it beats the New England game of roller polo all hollow. The scheme may be tried by some of the Eastern teams.

At the annual meeting of the Naval Board of the Schuylkill Navy, held in Philadelphia on Tuesday night, it was decided to make an effort to secure the National regatta for the Schuylkill this year. Incidentally it was decided to preserve valuable property to the champion Vesper.

J. H. Rogers of New Castle, Pa., who is 84 years old, has accepted a challenge from Abram Oppenheim of Philadelphia, who says he is 75, to skate a match race at Wilmington at an early date.

The Centreboard.

To the Editor of The Sun: Sir: The yachting letter in Sunday's SUN stated a truth of deep import. I for one was then one of a band of yachtsmen who congratulated the editor of the centreboard. The point was made in the letter previously, and you thought that a center board needed some, but not a second, keel. Congratulate this band of pure democrats on the cause gaining ground in the thirty-one years of the "shoal draught" craft, and that the centreboard set upon the back of Neptune's chariot is a patriotic defender of the rights of the people. A centreboard is a democrat, and after completing his horse work he disappeared.

BROOKLYN, Jan. 8. B.

GUN METAL FOR LAWSON BOAT.

Will Be Used for Foot of Keel and Other Castings—No Work in Secret.

BOSTON, Jan. 9.—It developed to-day that the hollow troughed castings which are to compose the foot of the keel of the Crowninshield boat, the sternpost and the stem piece for the forward end of the keel, are to be made of gun metal. Designer Crowninshield said this afternoon that he had been in error when he said these castings were to be made of bronze and that he did not know until to-day really what was to be used. The whole matter had been left in Lawley's hands, he said, and the latter decided to use gun metal in place of bronze. Lawley will have the castings made in East Braintree and is having the patterns cut out. He expects to have them completed and sent to the foundry early next week.

Mr. Crowninshield denied the story that the Lawson boat would be built in secret and that a double row of guards would be stationed to prevent newspaper men from getting a sight at the hull as it is being put together. He said to the correspondent of THE SUN this afternoon: "There is nothing in that report. We are going to build the boat in a shed of course, and will have the doors locked at night, but if you want to go over and see the boat at any time, just come down here and I will be pleased to take you over to the Atlantic Works. Probably there will be a watchman to keep the crowd out of the shed while the men are at work, for we don't want a lot of people standing around with their hands in their pockets getting in the way, but any newspaper man will be allowed to go into the shed provided he is there for the legitimate purpose of getting news.

"By the time work commences on the boat, or about the first of February at the latest, I will give out the dimensions and design of the boat, so that you can see there will be no attempt made to keep the lines from being made public. Lawley has not completed the laying down of the lines yet. It is taking longer than I expected it would, and I doubt if the scrive board will get over to the Atlantic Works before the first of next week. As to material, I expect some of the lead will reach East Boston shortly. Lawley has been notified that some of the steel is ready for shipment and I presume this means that some of the bulb angles have been rolled.

"The rudder will have to be made of manganese bronze, I suppose. It will simply be a metal frame, plated over and braced with wooden blocks. Lawley and I have been discussing the details of the spars he is to build and regarding sails, I suppose Wilson is making some of the lighter ones, although I have not heard from him for the past two days.

"I have just heard from Capt. Haff and he tells me that he is very anxious to have the report contradicted that the crew is to be obtained from any particular locality. By that I presume he means the current rumor that the men are coming from Deer Isle. He writes me that locality does not enter into the question, and that all he requires of a man is that he is an experienced seaman and an American citizen. I understand from what he says that he has selected his son, Clay Haff, as mate of the boat. His other son, Harry, is under contract to sail Mr. Lippitt's schooner next season, and the latter does not want to give him up."

HOCKEY.

Crescent A. C. Defeats Skating Club of Brooklyn in a Rough Game.

There was plenty of rough work in the league championship hockey game between the Skating Club of Brooklyn and the Crescent Athletic Club seven at the Clermont Avenue Rink, Brooklyn, last night. Body checking of the hardest kind, tripping and even a little bit of slugging were indulged in, while Bullen was hit with the puck and knocked out.

Kennedy and Lifilton faced off for the puck, and Lifilton got the rubber disc. He lost it on a shoot to the Crescent forward, Dobby, who in turn sent it to Wall, who tried for a goal and failed to tally. Then it sailed up and down the ice sheet until Lifilton got it on a pass from Bullen and scored for Brooklyn. Time, 4 minutes. The second goal was made by Shiebler for the Crescents on a pass from Dobby, after seven minutes' play. Williams made the next goal for Brooklyn on a pass from Bullen, and then Kennedy tallied on a pass from Dobby. Dobby made the prettiest goal of the match next on a long pass from Kennedy along the side. The sixth and last goal of the half was made by Dobby on a pass from Wall. Score, Crescent, 4; Skating Club of Brooklyn, 2.

The second half with the change in goals from either side of the ice started with a rush. Dobby and Kennedy carried off the honors for the Crescents while Lifilton and Bullen and Murray, who played very roughly, were the mainstays of the Brooklyns. Bullen was again laid out for a few minutes. The Crescents played all around the Brooklyns in this half. For the Brooklyns Lifilton tallied on a pass from Murray. For the Crescents Wall made a goal on a long dribble, Kennedy made another on a pass from Dobby, Wall tallied next again on a pretty assist by Dobby, then Kennedy on a pass from Wall, and Wall on a side pass from Kennedy, and Dobby on a pass from Wall. The final score was Crescent Athletic Club, 10; Skating Club of Brooklyn, 3.

At Philadelphia on Tuesday night the Haverford College team lined up against the University of Pennsylvania. After an exciting game the Haverford team won by the score of 3 to 1.

The score of the hockey game played on Tuesday night between the C. C. N. Y. and St. Francis Xavier's College was 2 to 2.

Racing at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, Jan. 9.—The talent received a solar plexus blow when Sarilla, a 50 to 1 shot, came home in front by two lengths in the handicap which was the feature of the racing at the Fair Grounds this afternoon. The handicap was the fourth on the card and was at a mile and an eighth. Five accepted the issue, of which Annoy was the favorite at all fives. Sarilla was off in front and was never headed, winning in a common canter by two lengths. Admetus, the second choice, had trouble in getting a place, favorite for second money. A delegation of metropolitan bookmakers, headed by Robert Lloyd and Harry Snell, arrived here this morning from Gotham. Summaries:

First Race—One mile—Gray Daily, 102 (Dale), 6 to 1, and 2 to 1, won; Porter B., 96 (Slack), 12 to 1 and 3 to 1, second; Valdeit, 104 (McQuade), third. Time, 1:48. Menace, Bean, Egyptian Prince and Gracious also ran.

Second Race—Six furlongs—W. J. Baker, 107 (Cochran), 4 to 1 and 6 to 5, won; W. L. Cox, 104 (Weber), even money and 1 to 2, second; Divonne, 96 (Dale), third. Time, 1:14¾. Choley, Cogwell, Castine and The Burlington Route also ran.

Third Race—Handicap, one mile and a quarter, the short course—Violet Parsons, 145 (Finnegan), 2 to 3 and out, won; Don Clarendo, 132 (Hertig), 3 to 1 and 3 to 5, second; Bristol, 132 (J. Combs), third. Time, 2:08¾. Charalerie also ran.

Fourth Race—One mile and an eighth—Sarilla, 93 (Weber), 50 to 1 and 20 to 1, won; Admetus, 102 (Winkfield), 13 to 5 and 3 to 5, second; Annoy, 100 (Cochran), third. Time, 2:00. Pacemaker and Locust Blossom also ran.

Fifth Race—Seven furlongs—Deponan, 104 (Dale), 3 to 1 and even, won; Island Prince, 110 (Richards), 10 to 1 and 3 to 1, second; Co. Cassidy, 107 (Cochran), third. Time, 1:32. Aviator, Dulle W., Bardis, Pantland, Bequeath and Sunrise also ran.

Sixth Race—One mile—Beata, 102 (May), 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, won; Phillas, 99 (Cochran), 12 to 1 and 3 to 1, second; Old Fox, 101 (Dale), third. Time, 1:46. Pat Garrett, Donation, Star Cotton, Candlelack, El Moran, Blocker, Pratt Maltze and Uncle Bill also ran.

The following are the entries for to-morrow:

First Race—Selling, one mile and an eighth—Nearest, 94; Parenthesis, 99; Phillas, 97, Litholin, 103; Sir Gallant, 103; Banana II., 94; H. of Plantagenet, 101; Jesse Jarbo, 101; Bright Night, 104; Alter Vale, 110.

Second Race—Selling, six and a half furlongs—Cape Assassine, 91; Lady Hayman, 94; Kannawath, 99; Tea Gown, 102; Clorita, 112; Water Point, 93; Belle of Elgin, 96; Porter B., 102; Gracious, 111.

Third Race—Selling, one mile and a sixteenth—Godwright, 95; Indian, 99; Titus, 100; Hedgier, 96; Lillian Reed, 99; Evangeline, 100.

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Trap Shooting.

Henry J. Bookman of Brooklyn won the gold medal in the trap shooting tournament of the Parkway Gun Club held at Remsen yesterday. Bookman made a clean score. The winners:

Ten Live Birds, Handicap—Jos. Henry, 27; Bookman, 29; Arlo, 31; Thomas Short, 28; Wm. H. Foster, 30; Harper, 28; Wards, 9; John Lamb, 28; Jones, 8; Charles Washinger, 28; Sabin, 27; Archibald Andrews, 29; Wards, 8; Frederick Leschner, 29; Wards, 7; John H. Roger, 28; Wards, 5; Henry Aegis, 28; Wards, 5; Chas. Sorte, 28; Wards, 5; Henry G. Schlosser, 28; Wards, 5.

Sweepstakes, Three Live Birds—Bookman, 3; Leschner, 3; Short, 3; Roger, 3; Andrews, 2; Kohl, 2.

The five long tournament on the Eclipse Club's course, Brooklyn, was held yesterday at Dexter Park, Brooklyn. Eighty-five participated in the shoot. The following were the winners: Handicap—Bennett, 97; Hyatt, 97; Ely, 97; Hoffman, 97; Lewis, 97; Lyons, 97; Wright, 97; Hills, 97; Lawrence, 97; Ely, 97; Lyons, 97; Hoffman, 97; Lewis, 97; Hyatt, 97; Bennett, 97; Wright, 97; Hills, 97; Lawrence, 97.

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COLUMBIA OARSMEN ORGANIZE.

Are Free From Debt and Promised a New Boathouse on the Harlem.

Two hundred and fifty undergraduates of Columbia University gathered in mass meeting in Havemeyer Hall yesterday afternoon to organize a college rowing club and put the sport on a good basis at Columbia. A proposition was made by the alumni of the college which will mean the construction of a new boathouse on the Harlem River and a guarantee of expenses for the crews for some time to come. Francis S. Bangs, '78, reported that the alumni had held a meeting and prepared an expense budget for the year of a little over $8,000. He proposed that if the freshman class would contribute its usual subscription of $2,500 and the other three classes add $2,500 more, the alumni would add $3,000 and the crews would be provided for. If this is done he said an alumnus had offered to raise $1,000 or what is necessary to build a second university boathouse on the Harlem at 132d street. The speaker insisted that the crew management must be conducted on the most economical basis.

Chairman J. Boyce Smith, Jr., of the Undergraduate Athletic Association, read the proposed constitution drawn up by J. A. B. Cowles, '83, Gustavus T. Kirby, '85, S. P. Nash, '01, B. M. F. Cooper, '01, and H. Boyne, '01, and it was unanimously adopted. It provides for paid membership of $10 a year in the new rowing club and a graduate Board of Directors, with regular meetings and no bar to membership. Officers were elected as follows: President, Stephen Payn Nash, '01, college. Vice-President, Roland Pearce Jackson, '02, college. Secretary, Marcellus Hartley Dodge, '03, college; directors, Francis Sedgwick Bangs, '78, Justus A. B. Cowles, '83, and Bruce McLean Falconer, '01, college. F. S. Bangs was reelected as the Columbia delegate on the Board of Stewards of the Intercollegiate Rowing Association.

Coach Hanlan spoke on the crew prospects in rosy terms and assured the students that no favoritism would be employed in the choice of men to row in the boats.

Capt. Frederick B. Irvine of the 'Varsity crew spoke on the work of the year. He said the idea of facing a debt of over $2,200, as was the case last year, the crews begin free from debt with six men of the last year's 'Varsity eight.

ROOSEVELT ON PRIZE FIGHTING.

Vice-President-Elect an Admirer of Clean Pugilistic Sport.

CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—Before Vice-President-elect Roosevelt left Chicago to hunt big game in the Rockies he had a chat with George Siler, the veteran pugilistic referee, on the subject of boxing. Siler tells the story of the conversation as follows:

"You love clean sport and so do I," commented the ex-Governor. "Now, on that basis and understanding I will begin our chat by asking what you think of Jeffries as a fighter?"

"I think he is great," I replied. "And so do I," he said. "Don't you know, Siler, that boxing might have been going on in New York right now if the men who had charge of the game had handled it with care?"

Of course I answered in the affirmative.

"Look at that McCoy-Choynski contest. Wasn't that enough to kill the sport?"

I told him I thought it was.

"I liked McCoy," he continued, "and thought he would best Corbett. He is equally as clever as Corbett and a harder hitter. He has the right idea of hitting, too, has he not?"

I told him I was sure he had.

"Now, there's Fitzsimmons," Mr. Roosevelt continued. "He is a good honest fighter, don't you think so? And Ruhlin is another honest fighter, and so is Jeffries; but I'll tell you, Siler, there are only a few of them and you know it just as well as I do.

"Now, about that fight between Jeffries and Sharkey. It became a brutal affair after the twenty-third, and, as Sharkey had no chance, you should have stopped it.

"It was a championship fight, Mr. Roosevelt," I said, "and if I had stopped it, the crowd would have jumped into the ring and torn me limb from limb."

"Torn you limb from limb, would they? Well, I tell you Siler, if I had been referee and stopped it they would not have torn me limb from limb," he said, gritting his teeth. "When I was at the head of the Police Department in New York I did some things some persons did not like. When I was in charge of the police I witnessed the Maher-Choynski fight. That was a hard fight, but it was so evenly contested I could not stop it."

BOXING LAW IN MASSACHUSETTS.

Boston Fighters to Be Arrested in Test Case To-day.

BOSTON, Jan. 9.—Taking the cue from Gov. Crane's orders to the State police to put an end to illegal boxing meetings in Massachusetts, the Boston police made a preliminary move to-day in an effort to convict the men who participated in the bouts held by the Isoteric Club last Monday evening.

The principal bout was between Oscar Gardiner, the Omaha Kid, and Tim Callahan of Philadelphia. For a preliminary "Kid" Goodman and another local youngster named Woods were put on. Warrants were applied for to-day for the arrest of these four men on the charge of participating in an illegal boxing meeting and as further evidence that they go safely out of the clutches of the police, the two local novices will probably be arrested to-morrow. After hearing the evidence of two officers Judge Forsaith decided to issue the warrants to-morrow. The Isoteric Club is willing and anxious to test the law thoroughly and the officers were advertised in the morning meeting Monday with that end in view. Both policemen obtained admittance by going before the directors of the club, taking the oath before a Justice of the Peace to live up to the by-laws, and after paying a dollar each received members' tickets. The club has engaged counsel and will make a fight.

ANOTHER PUGILIST IN HOSPITAL.

Louis Majane Hurt in Fight at Atlantic City—The Other Principal Arrested.

ATLANTIC CITY, Jan. 9.—Louis Majane and Charles Abramowitz fought here last night at the Atlantic City A. C. The police stopped the bout in the tenth round, and Majane, who became unconscious, was removed to the hospital. Abramowitz was arrested, as Majane appeared to be in a precarious condition.

Mayor Franklin P. Stoy personally investigated the fight, and he is of the opinion that Majane is not severely hurt, but that he collapsed through overexertion, and that with proper medical treatment he will be able to leave the hospital within a few days. At the hospital this evening it was said that Majane received hard punishing, and that the blood which smeared his face and covered his body issued from the nose and coming from a ruptured blood vessel as was first supposed.

Chief of Police Eldridge to-night appeared before Recorder Robert Stephany and charged Abramowitz with prize fighting, which is a statutory offence. Abramowitz was released after entering $500 bail for a hearing Friday. Chief Eldridge says he will make similar complaint against Majane when discharged from the hospital and that the effect of the prosecution means the stopping of such exhibitions in this city.

Autopsy Shows That Pugilist Welch Died of Hemorrhage of the Brain.

PHILLIPSBURG, Jan. 9.—Acting under instructions from Prosecutor Angle, Drs. Reese and Barber of this place and Dr. Robert of Easton made an autopsy upon the body of Frank Welch, the dead pugilist, this morning, and the report to Prosecutor Angle contained the opinion that Welch died from a hemorrhage of the brain. No inquest was held by the coroner, the prosecutor deciding such proceeding unnecessary. A Grand Jury is expected to go ahead at once with the investigation after receiving the report of the post mortem examination. The body of Welch was sent to Philadelphia this afternoon in charge of Charles Hurgin, a brother-in-law. Dr. William H. Cook, Edward Madden and Miss Katherine Cook, of Easton, who were the parties to be called in consultation with the physicians, were discharged by the brother, Louis Dunn, one of Welch's seconds, and other prominent Republicans of this city, one of the seconds, who are wanted by the authorities, cannot be found.

Billiards.

Both of the contests in the A. Y. Z handicap in Lyons' rooms now in the Knickerbocker Building, and in the first game Joseph Stoner, 125, defeated Dr. L. A. Brunner, 125, by the score of 150 to 57. The winner averaged about two. William Foster, 125, defeated I. A. Clark, 90, in the second game by the score of 150 to 61. This evening J. D. Isgham, 125, meets A. C. Ding, 125, in class A at the 14-inch balk line, and in class Z at straight rail T. H. White, 85, meets F. S. Taylor, 75.

ENTRIES FOR SPRING RACES

HORSES ELIGIBLE FOR SUBURBAN, BROOKLYN AND BRIGHTON HANDICAPS

The List, Though Smaller Than Last Year, Contains the Names of All the Leading Equine Favorites Except Imp—Ethelbert and Kinley Mack in the Three Handicaps.

The entries for the big spring handicaps—the Suburban, the Brooklyn and the Brighton—were announced yesterday as well as for the Brighton Cup. Although the quality of the horses engaged is higher than usual the number is smaller than last year. The Western mail did not swell the entries for the Suburban to any great extent. Forty-four had been received on Jan. 2, the day set for closing, and the late arrivals postmarked on or before that date brought the total up to fifty. This is eighteen less than were received for the big event last year. The Brooklyn has received forty-one this year, as against sixty-seven last season. There are forty-six entries for the Brighton, which last year received sixty. For the long-distance event, the Brighton Cup, there were forty-three entries last year, and twenty-three have been named for the race next July.

Imp's name does not appear in the list for either of the big events, which gives color to the report that the noted black mare will not again take part in races. With that exception the leading performers last season of all ages are included in the nominations. Ethelbert and Kinley Mack will receive opportunity to test their merits in all the big events except the Brighton Cup, while Jack Point, who proved a surprise to the cracks last year, is engaged in the Suburban. Following are the entries:

THE SUBURBAN.

A handicap for three-year-olds and upward. Of $200 each for starters, $100 forfeit or only $15 if declared out by Feb. 20, guaranteed cash value, $10,000, of which $1,500 to the second and $500 to the third; weights to be announced Feb. 1; winners, after announcement of weights, of two races of $1,000 or one of $2,000, 4 pounds extra; of two of $2,000 or one of $4,000, 8 pounds extra; of three of $2,000, or two of $4,000, or one of $6,000, 12 pounds extra, in the case of horses in handicapped at 122 pounds or over, these penalties shall apply to the extent of one-half only; in the case of those handicapped at 122 pounds or over, to the extent of one quarter only, and in the case of those handicapped at 120 pounds or over, they shall not apply at all; penalties in the case of horses 3 years old shall not make the weights exceed 115 pounds; one mile and a quarter.

A. L. Aste's br. c. Jack Point, 5, by Sir Dixon—Merry Maiden.

W. H. Barrick's b. c. McMeekin, 4, by Fonso—Daisy Rose.

P. D. Beard's ch. c. Prince of Melbourne, 4, by Bramble—Maid of Balgowan.

L. V. Bell's b. c. Mischievous, 4, by Sir Dixon—Merry Maiden.

August Belmont's b. g. Brigadier, 4, by Rayon d'Or—St. Bridget, and b. c. Kilogram, 4, by Rayon d'Or—Lady Kildrook.

Perry Belmont's b. h. Ethelbert, 5, by Eothen—Maori.

S. S. Brown's b. or br. c. Batten, 5, by Hayden Edwards or Candlemas—Sadie McNauly.

Burlingame Stock Farm's ch. g. Brutal, 3, by Brutus—Forma.

Richard Croker's ch. c. Bellario, 3, by Belvidere—Madge Shaw, and br. c. Beau Gallant, 3, by Jim Gore—Bonita Belle.

W. C. Daly's b. g. Aiglke, 5, by Flatlands—Lucky Clover.

Delmel & Farrell's br. c. Ildrim, 4, by Kingston—Libbie L.

P. Dunne's b. c. Alcedo, 4, by Esher—Elopement.

C. E. Durnell's br. g. Slap Dash, 3, by St. Andrew—Helter Skelter.

P. J. Dwyer's ch. c. Withers, 4, by Hanover—Dilemma.

Lastin & Larable's b. h. Kinley Mack, 5, by Islington—Songstress, and b. c. High Order, 4, by Order—Tongese.

Delmel & Farrell's br. c. Ildrim, 4, by Kingston—Libbie L.

Frank Farrell's ch. c. Bonnibert, 3, by Albert—Bonnie Ola.

C. Fleischmann's Sons' b. c. Blues, 3, by Sir Dixon—Bonnie Blue II.

J. W. Fuller's ch. h. George Arnold, 7, by Sir Dixon—Jenny.

F. Gebhard's b. c. Zeus, 4, by St. Saviour—Belle d'Or.

F. R. Hitchcock's b. h. Decanter, 6, by Deceiver—Mandlin, and b. c. Asquith, 4, by Lord Esterling—Tarpeia.

James R. Keene's b. g. Choirmaster, 3, by Chorister—Belfield II., and ch. g. Toddy, 4, by Hanover—Hot Scotch.

J. R. & F. P. Keene's ch. g. Conroy, 3, by St. Leonards—Lady Inverness, and b. g. Militant, 3, by Tournament—Belle Rose.

C. Littlefield, Jr.'s, ch. g. Watercure, 4, by Watercress—Lena's First.

C. H. Mackay's ch. h. Banastar, 6, by Farandole—Blessing.

J. E. Madden's ch. c. Golden, 4, by Spendthrift—Tarantella, and br. c. Approval, 5, by Pessara—Ruperta.

John P. Martin's br. c. Kamara, 4, by Candlemas—Hadakiya.

J. H. McAvoy & Co.'s br. h. Prince McClurg, 5, by Wadsworth—Minnie Payne.

P. H. McCarren's ch. c. King Bramble, 4, by Bramble—Queen Beluga.

W. L. Oliver's ch. c. All Gold, 4, by Rayon d'Or—Merry Nelly.

O. L. Richards's b. g. Charentus, 7, by Charaxus—Gerezina.

Robinson & Leach's b. c. John Yerkes, 4, by Scorpion—Credora.

Mrs. R. Roche's ch. c. Standing, 4, by Candlemas—The Lioness.

Thomas F. Ryan's b. h. St. Simonian, 6, by St. Saviour—False Queen.

John P. Schorr's ch. c. F. W. Brode, 4, by Cayuga—Prosperity.

R. Schreiber's br. h. Bannockburn, 6, by Hayden Edwards—Betty Hulse.

J. L. Seagram's b. h. Procession, 4, by Order—Triumph.

W. Showalter's ch. h. Box, 7, by Order—Pandora.

W. Spence's ch. g. Maximo Gomez, 6, by Victory Quesal.

Thompson Bros.' ch. c. Sidney Lucas, 4, by Top Gallant—Addie C.

W. C. Whitney's br. c. Star Bright, 4, by Alnitree—Spaldemore.

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W. L. Rollin's b. c. Herbert, 4, by Albert—Bonnie Ola.

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R. Schreiber's br. h. Bannockburn, 6, by Hayden Edwards—Little Elder.

W. Showalter's ch. h. Box, aged, by Order—Pandora.

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