GOSSIP OF THE RUNNERS.

ENOCH WISHARD DISCUSSES THE SCALE OF WEIGHTS.

Ed Corrigan Returns From England With a Big String—Jockey Mounce Will Not Ride for Mr. Belmont—More Friction in the West—Goldsmith Recovering.

The proposition set forth by the California Jockey Club to raise the scale of weights to the English standard has created a great deal of discussion among turfmen who, so far, appear to be divided in opinion. Enoch Wishard, the former trainer of Richard Croker's horses, who will look after the interests of John A. Drake's stable this season, believes that it is unnecessary to raise the scale and expresses his views as follows:

"I believe in heavier weights than are now carried, but I do not mean that it is necessary to raise the scale. In the East, at least, it is heavy enough. Simply hold strictly to the prevailing scale and we would get better racing. I know it is said that one cannot convince the horsemen of this, but it is nevertheless true. In England the weights carried are greater than here and our American-bred horses can carry their imposts over there as well as the English horses. I wish I knew one good reason for carrying light weights. On the other hand, I know several very good reasons for carrying heavier burdens.

"Why do all the American jockeys, or, at least, why do so many good ones go abroad? Because they can get mounts there. Why don't they ride here? Because they are too heavy for that. You take and train a good jockey! Teach him the business, spend a few thousands of dollars on him and at the end of three or four years he will begin to be a good jockey. Then what becomes of him? He is of no use to the man who developed him, because he has grown too heavy to ride at the scale that prevails. It does not hurt horses one bit to carry heavier weights and it often does them good, in my opinion. If we could get a better scale or rather stick to the one we have so that a boy who was maturing both in mind and body could ride, we would find that the jockeyship would be better and the horses would run much truer to form.

"A light boy who is down to about 90 pounds cannot manage some of the horses yet the horse has to be ridden at that weight. More weight could easily be put on him but it would handicap him over the others beyond what his record would compel him to take up. On the other hand, if the boy was heavier and more matured he would know better how to manage such a horse. The light boy may be just a little off his feed and not feel exactly right—every one gets that way now and then. If he rides a poor race, when in that condition, he is blamed for it and is often charged with pulling the horse. As a matter of fact the real fault of the race is in the fact that the weight of the boy may have been too light for him to have the strength and judgment to manage his mount.

"Personally I have never seen all these races in which the horse has been pulled. I have seen many races where it was said that there was pulling, but I did not see it, and for that matter I know that there was nothing wrong. Either the horse or the boy might have been a little off color. Maybe it was the boy's fault, because he had been riding too much at the light weight and had become weakened. That is the case nine times out of ten. In England they have good racing at the scale of weights, but their horses are no better than ours. Where the English excel is in the care of the breeding.

"Speaking of breeding reminds me of the work the German Government is doing with the thoroughbred. Each year it buys a certain number of brood mares and stallions in England or France and ships them to Germany. The Imperial Government will pay any price for them, often as high as $10,000, but will sell them to the German breeders at the highest bidders' figures. I know of one brood mare for which the German Government paid $10,000, and sold at auction to a German breeder for $300. One stipulation is made; that the horse and the get therefrom must remain in Germany for a certain number of years. Work like that is doing a whole lot for the thoroughbred in Germany.

"When all is said and done, one must admit that there are a number of good points in the English racing game. Their worst fault is unfairness to Americans. An Englishman always cries for 'fair play.' In the racing game he says 'handicap the American horses, then the trainer, then the jockey, and may the best Englishman win!'"

Jockey Mounce, who rode for August Belmont in the East last year and who had been engaged again by the President of the Jockey Club for the coming season, is said to have annulled his contract and signed to ride for D. S. Fountain, the Idaho millionaire. Mounce will also do some heavyweight riding for C. T. Boots. The jockey says he cannot make the weights that the horses in Mr. Belmont's stable will be combelled to carry and for that reason he has decided to throw up his engagement, much to his regret.

The Douglass Park Racing Association of Louisville failed to receive a license and dates for a meeting next fall from the Western Jockey Club last week, and a similar application from the Highland Park Club was also turned down. This action has caused much surprise among Western turfmen for it is the first discordant note in the harmony that was supposed to prevail since the peace making between the Jockey Club and the old Turf Congress. It appears that the Louisville applicants did not receive a license out of consideration for the Louisville Jockey Club. According to certain stewards the meeting held at Douglass Park last fall was objectionable in a good many ways, besides the mere fact that it was held in violation of a special resolution of warning passed by the Western Jockey Club. The stewards also reinstated a number of horsemen and horses, among the former being D. A. Honig, whose horses figured prominently on the Chicago tracks a few years ago; Thomas Gallagher, owner of Hindoonet and George H. Cox. J. F. Fogg, owner of Go to Bed, Daniel and others, and J. S. Britton, the well-known East St. Louis turfman.

It was announced yesterday that Ralph Bayard, the Secretary of the Brighton Beach Racing Association, had been compelled to resign because of ill health and that John Boden, Jr., had been appointed to the post. Mr. Bayard, a racing man of wide experience, has been ailing for some time. Of late he has not been able to look after the affairs of the Brighton Association, and in view of a busy season ahead, a change was deemed advisable. Mr. Bayard's successor is well known as a turf writer who has been connected with the racing game for many years.

Green B. Morris receives credit for having the best two-year-old that has been shown so far at the Oakland, Cal., track. The youngster is a colt named Durazzo, by Imp. Arbell—Kitty B. II. He has started only twice and finished first on each occasion. He was disqualified, however, for fouling Silvia Talbot in the race when he made his first appearance. The clever manner in which he came from behind and beat Adirondack showed that he possesses much class. Durazzo is a fine looking chestnut. Imp. Arbell, the sire of this colt, was brought from England three or four years ago by James B. Haggin and is now at Rancho del Paso. Durazzo is the first of his get to race.

It was said yesterday that William C. Whitney's Goldsmith, who has been suffering from a severe attack of influenza at Westbury is progressing favorably and unless unexpected complications set in he will pull through all right. The same may be said of the two-year-old filly, a full sister to Goldsmith, who is also suffering from the ailment at Mr. Whitney's stables. Horsemen are at a loss to know the reason for this epidemic at Westbury. This is the second winter that it has made its appearance and in the opinion of Dr. Sheppard it may have been caused by the high temperature arising from the gathering of too many racehorses under one roof. Last winter Ballyhoo Bey, the Futurity winner of 1900, was a victim and he has never fully recovered. This winter almost every occupant of the Westbury stables except Yankee and Endurance by Right has suffered from this peculiar illness. There are fifty stalls under the same roof and all are occupied. Trainers say that next year many of Mr. Whitney's horses will be wintered at Rancocas and at the millionaire's new stables at Sheepshead Bay.

Horses that have been wintering at local tracks are being prepared for the opening of the Washington Jockey Club's spring meeting at Bennings. James McLaughlin's stable will be moved from Morris Park to Washington to-day. Of the older horses to go are Triton, Charentus, Post Haste, Unmasked, Rightaway, Maid o' War, Fonsolina and Prophetic. These two-year-olds are to make their debut at Bennings under McLaughlin's system of training.

Bay colt by Fitz James—Petrel; bay filly by Sir Dixon—Merry Maiden; bay colt by Farandole—Niagravela; bay filly by Len Strome—Buzzolena; bay filly by Ben Strome—Imp. The Bumber; chestnut colt by Pontiac—Del; brown colt by Lissak—Kusumo; bay colt by Lissak—Hanoana; bay colt by Lake Blackburn—Guiceldi; brown colt by Fitz James—Bombazetta; bay gelding by Logic—Lady Relief; brown filly by Lochatchee—Austriana; bay filly by Fresno. This is the largest string that McLaughlin has ever taken to Bennings. Twelve exercise boys and seven stablemen will go along too.

Ed Corrigan was a passenger on the Lucania which arrived here from England yesterday. The big turfman seemed to be enjoying good health. "There is no truth in the stories that I was denied a license to race abroad," he said. "The fact is that I have not applied for one. I feel confident that one will be granted if I ask for it. I was surprised to hear of the illness of Nasturtium. When I left the other side the horse was in fine shape and rounding into form. I do not expect to race next winter. Most of my campaigning will be done at the summer tracks.

Corrigan has thirty-one horses coming here from England on the steamship Minneapolis and will have one of the largest racing stables in America, if he keeps all of his string in training. Besides the thirty-one he is bringing here, he has twenty-seven two-year-olds, which are being trained in California. Before leaving for England Corrigan said that he would race the American-bred horses regardless of whether he brought any English-bred racers back with him or not. This would give him a stable of sixty. He has a large percentage of English-bred horses in his stable at present, having sold most of the two lots of American-bred horses he sent over from this country.

Among those which Corrigan has purchased and sent to this country are two which have done well in England. These are Rose Tree and Fancy Man. Both are English bred and have done well in the handicaps. Fancy Man, a four-year-old bay colt by Be-t Man-Tights, won the Prince Edward Handicap, at a mile and a quarter, over the Manchester course in September, which was worth $10,000. Rose Tree, a six-year-old bay mare, by Iona Vista—Fanny Relph, won the Workingham Handicap at six furlongs at Ascot. Among the other English horses which Corrigan is bringing here are Ailyar, b. c., 6, by Hinyar—Alice Airoche; Sir Hercules, b. c., 6, by Sir Hugo—Galopin—Miss Foote; Ormicant, ch. h., 5, by Orme—Can't; Semper Vigilans, b. f., 5, by Carbine—Sempronia. Corrigan also has several well-known American-bred horses in his string which as two and three-year-olds have done well in England. Corsine, the horse that won the California Derby in 1899, is in the string, also M. F. Tarpey, Indian II., Jed, Sardonic, Sardine II., Mackay and others.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 9.—Following is the programme for the races here to-morrow:

First Race—Selling; one mile:

Frelinghuysen	115	Azua	106
Larry C	112	Joe Collins	104
Masterful	109	Frank Jones	95
Zack Phripps	109	Josie F	93
Balloon	107	Hayward Hunter	90
Sir Kingston	107	Rose of May	88

Second Race—Selling; six furlongs:

Tom Collins	104	Granter	99
Royal Sterling	104	Small Jack	99
Pharaoh	104	Lofter	96
If You Dare	104	Lingo	95
Pleuron	103	Little Emmy	89
Ogle	99	Emma A. M	84

Third Race—Steeplechase handicap; short course:

Bristol	160	Miss Ransom	128
Coley	148	King Elkwood	127
Cantadas	149		

Fourth Race—The New St. Charles Hotel Stake for two-year-olds; $1,000 added; four furlongs:

Wilton	115	Julia Lislen	105
Imp Lady Winkle	110	Flash of Lightning	105
Navasota	110	Sweet Nell	105
Merry Sister	110	Black Patti	102
Musical Slipper	110	Step Around	102
Princess Tulane	105	Gold Ornament	102

Fifth Race—Handicap; one mile and 70 yards:

Death	121	Reseda	94
Intrusive	119	Jessie Jarboe	92
Piederich	108	Silver Coin	92

Sixth Race—Selling; one mile and a sixteenth:

Frank McConnell	105	Clearfield	93
Menace	99	Carlovingian	93
Eugenia S.	96	Pirate's Queen	91
Little Tommy Tucker	96	St. David	91
Locust Blossom	95	Grey Morn	88

WRESTLING.

Wittmar Wants Another Chance at McLeod—Jeffries May Appear on Mat.

Ed Atherton, the Portageville, N. Y., catch-as-catch-can wrestler, has issued the following challenge: "I am ready to meet either John Piening, Jim Parr or Tom Jenkins in a straight catch-as-catch-can match, best two out of three falls. If I cannot secure a meeting in this country I am prepared to go to England, where I have been assured I can get on a match with Jack Carkeek, Joe Carroll or Tom Carkeek. I do not lack in the way of substantial backing."

George Tuohey, who manages Charley Wittmar, the Graeco-Roman heavyweight of Cincinnati, is disappointed over his man's defeat at the hands of Dan McLeod and has taken steps to bring the two together again. Tuohey says that their recent bout was no genuine test. "When articles of agreement were signed," says Tuohey, "it was stipulated that the contest was to have been under Graeco-Roman rules. Imagine my surprise when at the last moment McLeod insisted on a mixed exhibition. Rather than disappoint the crowd I was forced to give in."

Dick Fleming of Buffalo, a former amateur heavyweight, is after a match with any one in the business under catch-as-catch-can rules.

Nick Elliott, the local heavyweight, was matched yesterday to meet Phil Krug of the Hell Gate A. C. at Maennerchor Hall, this city, in one of the preliminary bouts to the Bothner-Leonhardt contest. Billy Lawrence of Brooklyn, a pupil of Steve O'Donnell will tackle Julius Geizel in the other preliminary. John Piening has been agreed upon as referee.

Leo Pardello, the Italian, will be kept busy within the next two months. His manager, Tommy Kelly, has arranged three matches for him. The first will be with Charley Nelson at Orange, under catch-as-catch-can style. The next will be with Charley Leonhardt at Newark. Charley Richellew of Brooklyn will follow.

Dan McLeod, the Scotch wrestler, has issued a challenge to meet the winner of the Jenkins-Parr match, which is to be decided at Buffalo this week.

Johnny Dunn, manager of John Piening, writes to THE SUN as follows: "Bids for the match between Piening and Carl Norbeck will be opened on Feb. 10. The men are matched to wrestle best two out of three falls, Graeco-Roman style, the bout to take place within three weeks under the auspices of the club offering the best inducement."

Jim Jeffries may be seen in this city on the mat in the near future. The pugilist realizes that wrestling just now is enjoying a boom, and that a match between himself and some well-known big man would be a drawing card. Jeffries is no novice at the game. He wrestled with Ernest Roeber when the latter was in his prime.

BUFFALO, Feb. 8.—Dan McLeod threw Harvey Parker twice in 11 minutes and 7½ minutes respectively in their catch-as-catch-can wrestling match at the Lafayette Theatre last night. McLeod took no mean advantage of his much lighter opponent, but beat him decisively by skilful wrestling, backed up by his wonderful agility and strength. A crotch and half-Nelson reversed, accompanied by McLeod's usual slam, brought about both falls. McLeod simply toyed with Parker.

ATHLETICS AT COLUMBIA

Swimmers Who Will Go to Chicago—Baseball Practice This Week.

Columbia's swimming and relay teams leave to-morrow for Chicago, where they will take part in the aquatic events held in connection with the Sportsmen's Show in that city. The following men, in addition to Prof. Charles Holroyd and Manager J. B. Schoenfeld, will be taken on the trip: Capt. Joseph W. Spencer, Clinton G. Abbott, A. R. Camp, Alexander A. Zucca, Frederick H. Duden, L. B. Alexander, William H. Fenton, John J. Dwyer, T. Hamilton Burch, Jr., J. J. Asch, L. G. Henes and Herman S. Riederer.

The candidates for the 'Varsity baseball, cycle and lacrosse teams will all begin work this week. Capt. Goodman has left the basketball squad to direct the baseball practice, which will begin in the gymnasium cage to-day. This week the handling of grounders and methods of throwing and batting will engross the attention of the candidates. The pitchers will not begin practice until next week. Of last year's 'Varsity team, the following players are still in college and will try for positions on the '02 nine: Capt. Goodman and R. A. Henriquez, catchers; R. B. Southard, centre fielder; Norman W. Burrell, third baseman; R. L. Wund, left fielder; H. R. Grant, John Marcus, William H. Tyler and Clarence W. Bartow, pitchers. Graduate players will take charge until a regular coach is secured.

The basketball victories over Harvard and Yale have lent much inspiration to the team which leaves town to-morrow on its annual up-State trip. Six games will be played as follows before the men return to meet Yale in the intercollegiate league series in the Columbia gymnasium on Feb. 21:

Feb. 11, Sixteenth Separate Company at Catskill; 12, St. John's School of Manlius, at Syracuse; 13, Washington Continental A. A. and Thirty-sixth Separate Company, at Schenectady; 14, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, at Troy, and 18, Fourteenth Separate Company, at Kingston.

A gymnastic exhibition will be held at Columbia on Feb. 28 in connection with the Columbia-Princeton basketball game. The three gymnastic events of greatest importance this year are the dual meet with Yale at New Haven on March 7, the exhibition with Pennsylvania at Columbia on March 14, and the intercollegiate championships to be held this year on March 21 at the Academy of Music, Philadelphia.

WINTER BOOKS ARE OUT.

Watercolor Favorite for Suburban—Blues First Choice in the Brooklyn.

CHICAGO, Feb. 9.—Concurrent with the Washington Park Club's stake book comes the opening betting in O'Leary's winter book on the American Derby, Suburban and Brooklyn Handicaps. McChesney, the pride of Sam Hildreth's stable, and George C. Bennett's Abe Frank, the champion stake-winning two-year-old in the West last year, are installed favorites, for the American Derby as was generally expected; but few supposed that John A. Drake's winter purchase, Runnels, would share the pride of first place in the betting list with the above two. Such is the case, however, and each of this trio is held at the comparatively short price of 10 to 1.

W. C. Whitney's grand filly Endurance by Right, "Lucky" Baldwin's Cruzados and Clarence H. Mackay's Heno are rated equally at 15 to 1 and at 20 to 1. Tom McDowell's speedy Alan-a-Dale stands on a mark by himself. The odds quoted against the entire field of ninety-seven nominations are as follows:

Horse.	Odds.	Horse.	Odds.
McCheaney	10 to 1	Merriment	75 to 1
Abe Frank	10 to 1	Red Tip	75 to 1
Runnels	10 to 1	Slipthrift	75 to 1
Cruzados	15 to 1	Alibert	100 to 1
End'ce by Right	15 to 1	Allie Virgle	100 to 1
Heno	15 to 1	Blennenworth	100 to 1
Alan-a-Dale	20 to 1	Don Mot	100 to 1
Homestead	25 to 1	Dewey	100 to 1
Wyeth	25 to 1	Emshee	100 to 1
Aladdin	30 to 1	Glenwater	100 to 1
Baron	30 to 1	Hermis	100 to 1
Conqueror	30 to 1	H. C. Coleman	100 to 1
Goldseeker	30 to 1	Hunter Raine	100 to 1
Hyphen	30 to 1	Huzzah	100 to 1
Jaubert	30 to 1	Indian II	100 to 1
Old England	30 to 1	Jack De Mund	100 to 1
Oom Paul	30 to 1	Jed	100 to 1
Pentecost	30 to 1	Lou Woods	100 to 1
Sombrero	30 to 1	Nellie Waddell	100 to 1
Bessie Spahr	40 to 1	Omenton	100 to 1
Chas. W. Meyer	40 to 1	Red Hook	100 to 1
Corrigan	40 to 1	Sambo	100 to 1
J. V. Kirby	40 to 1	Waterboy	100 to 1
Memnon	40 to 1	Balm of Gilead	100 to 1
San Nicholas	40 to 1	Barouche	150 to 1
Wawslit	40 to 1	Blackmore	150 to 1
Arian	50 to 1	Black Thorne	150 to 1
Cameron	50 to 1	Inventor	150 to 1
Cunard	50 to 1	Piequart	150 to 1
Escalante	50 to 1	Remorse	150 to 1
Hargis	50 to 1	St. Tammany	150 to 1
Henry Zitt	50 to 1	Trailmore	150 to 1
Igniter	50 to 1	Archie	200 to 1
Lord Quex	50 to 1	Promage De Brie	200 to 1
Lutien Appleby	50 to 1	Hot	200 to 1
South Trimble	50 to 1	J. W. Rhodes	200 to 1
The Giver	50 to 1	Kaffir	200 to 1
Dixieline	50 to 1	Merrymaker	200 to 1
Andy Williams	60 to 1	Northern Star	200 to 1
Arsenal	60 to 1	Prowl	200 to 1
Otis	60 to 1	Tim D	200 to 1
Belle's Commoner	75 to 1	Tom Keene	200 to 1
Dark Secret	75 to 1	Dr. Burns	300 to 1
Ed Austin	75 to 1	Leroyd	300 to 1
Enright	75 to 1	Anna Elliott	500 to 1
Inspector Shea	75 to 1	Hopedale	500 to 1
Keynote	75 to 1	Quaker	500 to 1
Larry Young	75 to 1	The Ledman	500 to 1
Leonora Loring	75 to 1		

The following odds are quoted in O'Leary's winter book for the Suburban and Brooklyn handicaps:

Horse.	Suburban.	Brooklyn. Odds.	Horse.	Suburban.	Brooklyn. Odds.
Watercolor	8	—	Chilton	40	40
Blues	10	8	Flywheel	40	40
Gold Heels	12	10	Port Royal	40	40
Bonnibert	12	12	Keynote	40	40
Banastar	15	12	Dixieline	40	—
Alcedo	15	12	Ballyhoo Bey	50	—
Herbert	15	15	Caviar	—	50
Hernando	15	15	Trigger	50	50
Advance Gu'd	15	15	All Gold	50	50
Heno	15	—	The Regent	—	50
Rosehampton	20	20	Hithe	—	50
Brigadier	20	25	Argregor	60	60
End'ce by Rt	—	20	Reina	60	60
Baron Pepper	25	25	Sadie S	60	60
Gold Seeker	25	25	Slipthrift	60	60
Tom Paul	25	25	Silverdale	60	—
McIleckin	30	—	Six Shooter	60	—
Ten Candles	30	30	Hindus	—	60
Dublin	30	—	Lady Schorr	75	75
Dr. Barlow	30	30	Witness	75	75
Aulright	30	30	Flying Torpedo	75	75
Watercure	30	30	Irritable	—	75
Elkhorn	30	30	Gulden	—	75
Black Fox	30	30	Royal Flush	—	75
Blue Girl	30	—	Mischievous	100	100
Pentecost	30	30	Monograph	100	100
The Rhymer	40	30	Wealth	100	100
Garry Herm'n	40	40	Contend	100	100
His Eminence	40	40	Arden	100	—
Alard Scheck	40	40	Alsike	—	100
Kamara	40	40	Northern Star	150	150
Carbuncle	40	40	Petra II	—	150
Toddy	40	40	Flora Pomona	—	150
Lanceman	40	40	Maximola	200	200

Billiard Gossip.

Ten games have been played in the A. A. U. 14-inch balk-line tournament at the Knickerbocker Athletic Club and of the seven contestants, only one, Charles S. Norris of the K. A. C., has a clean record of victories. Mr. Norris has won all his games and has played the most consistent billiards so far, his all-around playing having been strong, and even. Dr. L. L. Mial, who is second, has shown streaks of speedier playing than any of the others, but like W. H. Sigourney of San Francisco his playing has been erratic. Though two or three of the games have been slow and one-sided more of them have been well contested and the tournament has produced billiards that have been entertaining not only for the quality of the play shown, but for variety in the way of style and tactics. It is still a very open race and the fact that two of the players who were regarded as having the best chance for first prize, Conklin and Sigourney, are no better than third shows how uncertain a contest the tourney is. The records to date follow:

	Won.	Lost.	Best Average.	High Run.
Norris	3	0	8 40-45	62
Mial	2	1	8 32-48	79
Conklin	1	1	8 24-47	38
Sigourney	1	1	5 19-75	43
Threshie	1	1	9 22-42	52
Miller	1	3	5 37-47	42
Hendrick	1	3	7 43-51	84

Play will be resumed to-day with Conklin meeting Hendrick in the afternoon and Threshie and Dr. Miller the players to-night.

Rinehart has a clear lead in the handicap three-cushion tournament at Slosson's, the records of the ten amateurs being as follows:

	Hand-icap.	Won.	Lost.	Best Av'rage.	High Run.
Rinehart	15	2	1	4	7
Von Felde	5	3	0	6	6
Babcock	4	3	0	6	6
Huking	4	3	0	7	7
Eichberg	4	2	1	5	5
Band	4	2	1	4	4
Miller	2	2	1	2	5
Weizlar	3	1	2	4	4
Hedley	2	0	3	0	3
Pallasco	1	0	3	7	4

A cushion carom tournament will begin at Maurice Daly's Broadway academy to-night with the following players entered: William Bash, winner of the recent balk-line tournament at Daly's; Charles Davis, H. Wefers, T. Newman and F. H. Hill.

The records of the players in the handicap 14-inch balk-line tournament at Reid's room in Church street are as follows:

	Hand-icap.	Won.	Lost.	Best Av'rage.	Single Run.	High Run.
Morgan	135	2	0	2 25-45	18	
Kimball	125	2	0	2 17-54	14	
C. Mack	160	2	1	2 30-65	26	
John J. Kelly	225	1	1	2 43-91	18	
W. S. Sawyer	210	1	1	8 39-57	21	
H. Howard	120	1	1	1 50-70	18	
S. D. Brewer	225	0	2	3 8-70	22	
G. Gabriel	120	0	3	1 27-87	17	

Robinson and Lewis, both scratch men in the handicap pool tournament for the Brooklyn championship trophy now in progress at the Montauk Theatre room, will probably play what is expected to be the final game next Thursday evening. Each of the six contestants in the tourney has to play five games and the standing is as follows:

	Won.	Lost.		Won.	Lost.
Robinson (100)	3	0	Middleton (100)	2	2
Blythe (100)	1	3	Weschler (90)	1	2
Lewis (100)	3	1	Bridges (90)	1	3

Robinson meets Blythe to-night. The remaining schedule: Tuesday night, Middleton vs. Weschler; Wednesday night, Bridges vs. Weschler.

Interscholastic News.

R. S. Patterson of Dwight School, who is in Europe arranging for the international interscholastic meet, has been heard from in the way of letters to G. A. Kelly, President of the Dwight School A. A., and P. M. Seixas, the athletic trainer. In both letters Patterson says everything thus far has been progressing favorably, but that it is not likely that satisfactory arrangements can be completed for this year. He says it is a little too late to fully arrange details, but that the chances for a meet next year are good. Patterson is in France, but does not write that he has met Herbert Croker, son of Richard Croker, who is in England. It is believed by many of the local scholastic cracks that young Croker suggested a postponement of the meet until next year.

Dan Harness, Owner of Imp, Dead.

CHILLICOTHE, Ohio, Feb. 9.—Dan Harness, aged 79 years, owner of the famous racing mare Imp, and one of Ross county's best-known citizens, died at his home near this city to-day.

Turf Notes.

TERRE HAUTE, Feb. 9.—The Terre Haute Trotting Association has opened a Futurity stake of $10,000 for foals of 1902 to be contested in two divisions, as two-year-olds and three-year-olds. In the first division $2,000 will be for trotters and $1,000 for pacers, but in the second division all the money will be for trotters. Entries will close on March 31.

ONLY JOGS FOR FAST HORSES.

SPEEDWAY NOT IN CONDITION FOR BRUSHING.

John Flynn Shows a Novelty in Speed Wagons—Lord Derby and Kingmond Two Stars Among Those on the Road—F. G. Schmidt's Pair Moves Well.

Notwithstanding that yesterday was one of the most perfect driving days in months the condition of the Speedway was such that speeding was well-nigh out of the question. John Flynn has a novelty exercise wagon that attracted not a little attention yesterday. It is a combination of the old-time skeleton wagon and modern speed wagon. The seat has a big spring underneath, greatly adding to comfort. Underneath, all is open like the track vehicle of Hiram Woodruff's days, stirrups for the heels being provided, also a frame to support one's robe so as to keep it from trailing in the dirt. The dash is a mere screen, and while keeping dust out of the eyes and shedding off rocks and chunks of mud, allows the trainer full view of the horse's gait. It cannot weigh above seventy-five pounds. Flynn drove Master Chimes, 2:21¾, Lorna McGregor, the big trotter Mosul, 2:09¼, and others of the Welland string. Mr. Welland himself exercising his great road pacer, Fred W., 2:08½. Mr. Welland is building hopes as to a successful season racing his horses.

Jack Curry drove the Lamar string, Red Lawn, 2:16¾; Sally Simpson, 2:11¾; Jasper Ayres, 2:09¼; Ammond, no record, but a fast pacer, and others, while Mr. Lamar did a little open-air work behind his favorite Nathan Straus, 2:09½, Royalto and a couple of others. He is a jolly, good sportsman and one of the most popular "up the road," taking defeat as gracefully as he does a well-earned victory.

George W. Spear exercised the great Lord Derby, 2:06¼, never looking so well as now, to a road cart; Antezella, 2:10¾, a splendidly bred fellow, tracing back to old Minnehaha; Sphinx S., 2:08¾; Queen Wilkes, trial 2:15; Iva Dee, 2:12¾; while E. E. Smathers drove Ida Highwood, 2:13¾; Amokin, 2:11¾, the handsome black pacer, and a new one, sister to Sphinx S., who is a trotter and a show mare. Alice Barnes, 2:11¾, will be returned shortly from Oradell Farm, where she has enjoyed complete rest since the Brighton Beach meeting last August, and Mr. Smathers hopes to see Spear win a heat below 2:10 with her this season. Mr. Spear's son, Fred, a clever boy handler, drove Barrister, 2:14¾, and seemed right at home behind one so fast. Few youngsters have Grand Circuit winners in their teens to drive at will, but young Spear has had experience with the fast horses since a slip of a lad in knicker-bockers, and last season had almost complete charge of that really good trotter, Coxey, 2:13.

Mr. Darrin of the Hamilton stables drove Red Line, 2:26; also the fast pacer Bell Boy, 2:07½. Mr. J. P. Baiter was out often with his string of fast ones. He used stately Clayton, 2:15¼; the machine-like-gaited Little Coaster, 2:21¼; Helen P., 2:09¾; Fire Gilt, 2:11½; Fair View, 2:09¾, and one or two others. David McClary drove the Albert C. Bostwick horses to cart during the early hours and has them all in splendid winter condition. Johnny Agan, 2:05¼, the flower of the flock, is apt to prove the Speedway's top sawyer this season among the pacers. Frank R. Jarvis was on the road with Youmay, 2:23¼; later with Flirt, Teto, 2:14¾, and others. John W. Cornish drove David B., 2:09¼. Mr. Straus drove several of his fast ones, but did no brushing. Cobwebs, 2:12, looks heavier than ever since he was retired and fretted under restraint.

George Huber was on the road with Belle Virgis, 2:26½, a mare he raised. He also drove a pair of bay mares from his Ticonderoga breeding farm which are showy and have some speed. J. P. Robertson drove a pair of mares bred by him at his Vermont homestead, while his nephew had old Flash, 2:21½, on the road to a runabout. George A. Coleman had his favorite road horse, Kinwood, 2:17½, out hitched light and looking like a young horse, although along in years. Later Mr. Coleman came again with Theresa B., 2:18¾, the handsomely turned chestnut Allie Wilkes mare. Originally Theresa was a pacer, but to-day one would never think it as her gait is simply perfection when at speed. Over at Coleman's stables are quartered that fast Chicago pacer Redinda, 2:07¼; Chance, 2:12¾, one of the sturdiest trotters that goes the Speedway, Mr. Grote's string of fast ones and a splendid lot of unmarked horses of either gait.

John F. Cockerill is now roading Phoebe Childers, 2:10¾, and the famous Speedway star Swift, 2:15¾, and owns probably our fastest trotting pair. They present a very handsome appearance on the road and will be candidates for the championship honors of 1902 among our teams. Honor Bright is to be bred and Rival, 2:17¼, is already a brood mare. That enthusiastic roadite, F. G. Schmidt, who is out all weathers behind his fast ones, had the pacing team Mercury Wilkes, 2:14½, and Excellence, 2:18½, at the pole along the stretches of Boulevard Lafayette they fairly hummed. Mr. Hiscox used the elegant mare Baby Bernice, 2:26½, a present last season from Frederick Gerken.

Dr. Gill was out with Jack, 2:12½, and others. John Maguire showed several of his late purchases, including the Detroit mare White Hose, 2:08½. His son, Tommy, worked the second string and had a busy day, changing every hour till all had been roaded six to ten miles. Alonzo C. Maynard drove Gazeaway, 2:22¾, and Walter Keim, 2:11¾, and was careful to pick the good spots over which to let them step.

"Dod" Irwin jogged Charles M. Reilly's fast ones on Seventh avenue, Dollade Wilkes, 2:10¾; Bel Esprit, 2:12½, and the black gelding Mahlon, 2:13¾, and has them all ready for the fast work when spring arrives. Hugh Reilly had his new gelding Wilkes and said he almost regrets parting with his old favorite Commodore Potter, 2:13, even though he sold high for a horse of the age. Wilkes seems a model roadster and is very easily driven, as well as attractive. Frederick Dietz aired Bessie Bonehill, 2:05¾, natty little Miss Overton, 2:26½, and a new purchase that he seems to like. P. H. Ryan, behind his black mares, swept over the road at a merry clip.

The great Kingmond, 2:09, was seen on the road with Mr. Boland driving, but was used very carefully. He may be the Speedway's high light and is a decided acquisition to our local forces. He seems a quiet, tractable road horse and did not show nervousness in among the bustling automobiles, so numerous on Seventh avenue all of yesterday. Louis J. Kahn had Bonnie Kirkland, 2:23¾, double with George Wallace, 2:17¾, and enjoyed his hour's outing. Elmer Stevens had members of his string out to a light road cart. Mr. Coombs's handsome silver-named Operetta, 2:26½, attracting attention. Isaac Fleming drove Thistle Bud, 2:22¾; the green trotter Montana, and others during the forenoon. He is wintering Dr. John F. Moore's fast trotter Page, 2:09¾, and about twenty more. Handsome McMillan, 2:17½, is at Oradell for a vacation. For over a year Dr. Moore has indulged him and used him very little.

Frank Work usually drives at about noon and yesterday used his black pair, also one or two others. Mr. Mell has Peter Stirling, 2:11½, well used to road sights, and the handsome white-faced chestnut should prove about the best trotter Mr. Work ever owned. In Black Robert, 2:13½; Pilot Boy, 2:09¾; Mahalla, 2:19¾; Sea Girl, 2:18¾, and Merle Moore, 2:25¾, Mr. Work owns four that are unsurpassed as gentlemen's trotters. He never allows a horse to be clipped, never allows the boys to trim their fetlocks, uses no boots, no overdraw checkreins, no open bridles, and so his horses are usually as nature intended.

ON BROOKLYN SPEEDWAY.

Fitzsimmons's Dogs Make Trouble for Owner—Drive in Poor Condition.

There was a narrow trackway made by drivers on Saturday and yesterday on the Brooklyn Speedway. It was about six feet wide and over this a dozen or so of the regular Sunday frequenters of the Speedway went yesterday. They talked over the condition of the road. No work has been done on it since the first snowfall of January. If scraped and harrowed it would be fit for driving.

Among those out yesterday was "Bob" Fitzsimmons, who was accompanied by a great Dane and a mastiff. The dogs gave an "entertainment" in front of Minden's. Fitz attempting to get them both into the wagon. One dog in, the other jumped out. After one had leaped over Bob's head and joined his fellow a hundred feet away, Fitz gave it up. Among the regulars who drove yesterday, but could not speed, were Tom Sharkey, with Merry Pat; Charles Pottenbaum, behind Morgan, Jr.; L. R. Acker, with Lady Travis; Matt Belford, driving Truxon; Leslie Dodge, with Fred; P. H. Powers, behind his pair; Charles Moncrief, with Isaac, and about a dozen more.

GOLF.

A Chicago "Pro" Maligns the Nassau Club Links.

Tom Bendelow, formerly the professional at Van Cortlandt Park, but now working in Chicago, is out in an interview in which he expresses the opinion that Glenview would be a better course for the amateur championship than Nassau, a part of it reading:

At Nassau the turf, when I played over the course a year ago, while