GOSSIP OF THE RACETRACK.

EXCELSIOR HANDICAP TO BE RUN AT JAMAICA TO-MORROW.

Good Field Will Go to the Post, Providing a Puzzle for the Speculators—More Rumors of a "Free Betting Ring" at Belmont Park—To-day's Aqueduct Card

Indications point to an excellent field in the $5,000 Excelsior Handicap, at a mile and a sixteenth, to be run as the opening day feature at the Jamaica track to-morrow. Secretary Edwards of the Metropolitan Jockey Club said yesterday that in all probability there would be not less than sixteen starters and possibly more. It is practically certain that Sydney Paget's Ormonde's Right, who won the Carter Handicap in royal style, will go to the post carrying 108 pounds. He has not raced since the Carter, but Trainer Joyner has been keeping him on edge just the same. Last year Ormonde's Right showed ability to go a route, so that a mile and a sixteenth to-morrow will not be a hardship for him. He is a greatly improved colt for that matter, and experts say that he will be a factor in many of the big events for which he is engaged.

Alex Shields will provide another probable factor in the Excelsior in Sj. Valentine, who as recently as Saturday, in his first appearance of the season, won the Queens County Handicap at a mile in the smashing good time of 1:39 1-5, carrying 112 pounds. He defeated Rapid Water, from whom he received thirteen pounds, by a head. But in the Excelsior St. Valentine will pick up seven pounds less, or 105, and will accept fourteen pounds from Rapid Water, the top weight. Saturday's race should result in much benefit to St. Valentine, so that he is sure to be in high favor when the odds make their first appearance. So will Rapid Water for that matter, as he is consistent, and with 119 pounds is a proposition not to be overlooked.

Floral King, with 114, if he goes to the barrier, may be passed up by the students of form, as he has been tried several times since coming East, only to be found wanting in each instance. But Roseben, with 111 pounds, may be reckoned with, inasmuch as he will pack eleven pounds less than he carried in the Queens County Handicap, when he was beaten a nose for third money by James R. Keene's Sinister. In that race Sinister, with 104 pounds, was handicapped by a ragged start, otherwise he might have fought it out at the end with St. Valentine and Rapid Water, but in the Excelsior he will handle 94 pounds, a comparative feather for this highly bred three-year-old son of Le Var—Field Azure. Mr. Keene also has an eligible in the three-year-old Wild Mint, by Kingston—Mintcake, who has 103 pounds to shoulder, but the stable will depend chiefly upon the prowess of Sinister, who is in rare form just now.

The Albemarle Stable is sure to start the crack filly Santa Catalina, who ran a remarkable race for a three-year-old filly at this time of the year in the Peconic Handicap the other day. In the Excelsior the daughter of Suspender—Dainty will pick up 93 pounds, and will probably have the services of Harry Baird, who has ridden her steadily all the spring. Still another dangerous proposition is J. H. McCormick's Crown Prince, with 98 pounds, who won his first start at Aqueduct in such impressive style that he was jotted down in the form books for future reference. This colt has rounded into a robust and speedy four-year-old, and McCormick believes he will be the mainstay of his stable this year, barring ill luck and accidents.

William Lakeland intends to start his good mare Little Em, who ran third in the Carter. She is asked to carry 103 pounds and ought to fairly fly under this burden. She likes a distance of ground and is one of the best stretch runners among the second class handicap horses in training in the East. The Goughacres Stable's Preen, a consistent and plucky three-year-old, will go to the post with 95 pounds, and so will M. L. Hayman's Orthodox, a disappointment so far, with 110. P. S. P. Randolph's Red Knight, always a possibility in any such company, may make things hum with 100 pounds. While E. E. Smathers has already decided upon Rapid Water to carry his colors, he may also start his well known race mare Wilfull, who is in light with 102. Then James McLaughlin's Oxford, who did well in Los Angeles last winter J. C. Yeager's high priced Leonidas and Sim Deimel's Wotan are also eligible to go and will bear watching. Altogether, therefore, the Excelsior bids fair to be an interesting and spectacular affair, worthy of the support of the big crowd that will be in attendance.

The Jamaica meeting will last eight days, winding up one week from Wednesday, with a shift to Belmont Park the following day. The stake features of the week at Jamaica are particularly attractive, as the Metropolitan Jockey Club's liberality in this matter has borne fruit. On Wednesday the Elmhurst Stakes, for two-year-olds at five furlongs, will be run with eligibles whose quality must yet be determined, with the exception of Leonard Joe Hayman, the winner of the Woodhaven Stakes. The Columbus Stakes, for three-year-olds, six furlongs, will be the magnet on Thursday, with such eligibles as Right Royal, Niblick, Song and Wine, Gold Ten, Jerry C., Virgo, Coy Maid, Czaraphine and others. On Friday the Corona Stakes, for three-year-olds and upward, at a mile and seventy yards, may bring Champlain, Rostand, Duke of Kendal, Canteen, St. Valentine, Red Knight, Lord Badge, Crown Prince, Coy Maid, Little Em, De Reszke and others to the post.

Two stakes will be run on Saturday. The Rosedale, for two-year-old fillies, and the Kings County Handicap, for three-year-olds and upward, one mile and a sixteenth.

Will there be a "free ring" at Belmont Park? This question is agitating the bookmakers who claim membership in the Mets just now. Last fall it was said, by men who were supposed to be in a position to know, that George Wheelock, president of the Mets, had been semi-officially informed by a member of the Jockey Club that when the magnificent new race track on Hempstead Plains was thrown open the betting pavilion would be free to all responsible bookmakers and that privileges would be equal. The trouble between John Cavanagh and the Mets has revived this point, with additional statements to the effect that the other racing associations will follow the example if set by Belmont Park. There are many reputable and responsible bookmakers operating in the betting ring now who are unable to obtain membership in the Mets, and are thus deprived of the right to make book in what is known as the "front line." One of these men said the other day:

"If a free ring is declared at Belmont Park, there are many of us who will gladly welcome the change. We have the money and can make good losses as well as anybody, but under the present arrangement we feel that there is discrimination. The 'Mets' are a close corporation. They govern the prices and practically have the betting public at their mercy. Yet it is but natural that they should receive the preference from the public, enjoying, as they do, special privileges from the track managers for which we are willing to pay as much money if not more. A man may have a $100,000 bankroll and be recognized as the soul of honor, but if he does not possess membership in the Metropolitan Turf Association he is compelled to operate in what is known as the 'dead line,' where the business done is comparatively small. This is hardly fair, it seems to me, and there should be some sort of a remedy. Take the case of Tyler, the Humming Bird, for instance! He makes a tremendous book in the 'dead line,' offers better prices than some of the richest bookmakers in the 'Mets' and is responsible, yet because of some petty grievance on the part of somebody he has been repeatedly blackballed by the 'Mets.'"

There has been no let-up in the phenomenal attendance at Aqueduct and enough of the public's enthusiasm for the turf has been seen to indicate that all of the racetracks are in for a record breaking prosperity. If 25,000 persons overrun the congested accommodations at Aqueduct on the opening day, how many will be on hand to see the rich Metropolitan Handicap run on May 4 at Belmont Park? There is a seating capacity there of more than 20,000, while the broad lawns and the expansive infield provide vantage points for at least 30,000 more without unpleasant crowding. The immense grand stand, twice as large as the massive structure at Morris Park, will seat 11,000 spectators alone, so that some idea of what Belmont Park offers to the racing public can be imagined. A visit to the new racecourse yesterday developed the fact that everything will be in shipshape, when the gates are thrown open for the first time, a week from next Thursday. The Long Island Railroad is hustling the work on twelve sidings which will accommodate as many special trains of ten and twelve cars each to handle the expected multitude. If the day is fair, it will not be at all surprising if 50,000 spectators are on hand at the christening of America's Newmarket.

Large fields predominate for the races to be run at Aqueduct this afternoon. The Flushing Stakes, for three-year-olds and upward, one mile, is a feature, with Red Knight, Grenade, Monet, Lord Badge and Sais the possible factors. The Canarsie Stakes, for two-year-olds, four furlongs, is another attraction, with a probable meeting of Oaklawn, who is unbeaten, Leonard Joe Hayman, Old Guard, Tiptoe and others. Oarsman has received top weight in the handicap, six and a half furlongs, with Crown Prince, Rosetint and Workman hard to beat at the weights. In the first race, for platers, seven furlongs, King Pepper, Onatas, Virgo, Arabo and Whorler may go well. Two-year-olds will meet in the fifth event, four and a half furlongs, with Burnett, Phyllis A., All Pink, Belden and Ethel Hayman prominent. Maiden three-year-olds will run in the last race, six furlongs, Drone, Ismallian, Fiat and Black Prince figuring well. The entries are as follows:

First Race—Selling, six furlongs:

Gold Dome	112	Ikki	106
Neptunus	111	Whorler	106
Brand New	110	King Pepper	105
McGrathiana Prince	110	Florizel	103
Onatas	110	Shady Lad	103
Setauket	108	Virgo	95
Arabo	108	Princess Eris	84
Wizard	108		

Second Race—Handicap; six and a half furlongs:

Oarsman	126	Workman	107
Crown Prince	120	New York	105
Duke of Kendal	119	Butting	100
Monet	117	Amberjack	90
Rosetint	116		

Third Race—The Canarsie Stakes; four furlongs:

Oaklawn	115	Veronese	110
Leonard J. Hayman	112	Nellie Burns	107
Old Guard	110	Tiptoe	107
Guy Marnering	110	Blue Mamie	107
Clark Griffith	110		

Fourth Race—The Flushing Stakes; one mile:

Jack Rattin	112	Sais	107
Ocean Tide	111	Consideration	105
Incubator	110	Lord Badge	102
Red Knight	110	Highwind	101
Monet	110	Bouvier	98
Grenade	108	Princess Eris	84

Fifth Race—For two-year-olds, selling; four and a half furlongs:

Burnett	110	Evelyn J	98
Belden	105	All Pink	98
Dr. Coffey	104	Alkestis	96
Red Flag	104	Veribest	96
First Ward	104	Aviston	95
Dr. Heilsworth	102	Ethel Hayman	95
Gentian	101	Mark Meddle	93
Volo	101	Aimee Abbott	90
Crossways	99	Eileen Burn	90
Phyllis A	99	Allurance	90

Sixth Race—For maiden three-year-olds; six furlongs:

Flat	110	Pacetti	110
Black Prince	110	Eccentrical	107
Regal	110	Southern Cross	107
Drone	110	Ismallian	105
Metamora	110	Maid of Timbuctoo	105
Phœbus	110	Maggie Stroup	105

ROWING.

Harlem Oarsmen Willing to Meet Philadelphia in Intercity Octopede Race.

Oarsmen on the Harlem, and a big force of them showed in their working clothes yesterday, favor an intercity race between New York and Philadelphia crews. The Quaker City knights of the ashen blade broached the event and proposed that it be rowed at the National Regatta next August. It is further proposed that the race be for octopedes, that is, eight men rowing sculls, and that these men be the pick of the Harlem and Schuylkill boat clubs. There seems to be no reason why eight good scullers could not be found on the Harlem, and a crew mustered which would knock all sorts of records sky high as far as eight oared crew rowing was concerned.

Members of the Nassau Boat Club were in the van yesterday and a flotilla of about forty men worked in various boats and for different distances on the water. Coach Johnny Smith tutored an eight which has shown marked improvement and is now the best set of juniors on the river. They were: Herbert, stroke; Pumphrey, 7; Stettig, 6; Brasch, 5; Mehrhoff, 4; Stettig, 3; Stivers, 2; Cool, bow. The other junior eight was: Chanut, stroke; Kohler, 7; Hayward, 6; J. G. Nixon, 5; J. T. O'Connor, 4; Thompson, 3; D. N. Nicoll, 2; W. W. Nicoll, bow. A likely junior four gig, composed of Bernholz, Penkham, Reddy and Fenshaw, with Carbonell, coxswain, took a long steady pull as far as Fordham Landing. Covert and Walsh in a double gig and Allen in a single worked for a couple of hours. Five scullers competed for the Marsh shell on Saturday evening and the boat was won by A. C. Wiechers, who was out yesterday for a long row in a single.

The "Mets" showed considerable activity yesterday, and a couple of scrub eights as well as a couple of fours were launched. One eight contained Magnolia, Reeves, Pekel, Rink, Eames, Harris, Groden and McKenna, with W. Dunn as coxswain. In the four shell were Handy, Burdette, Dunn and Corbett, and a four barge was manned by Rosenberg, Hunt, Waters and O'Brien. Clements and Sulzer rowed a couple of miles in a double shell. The governing power of the "Mets" has issued a new sartorial rule which is bound to surprise the members. It is to the effect that no member shall appear on the plazza of the new boathouse attired in his rowing suit. He must wear a full suit of clothes and be equally consistent in his carriage and deportment.

The members of the First Bohemian Boat Club have begun to shape themselves for the season. An intermediate four composed of Charles Plsineje, L. Major, L. Gunaan and Joseph Zaprelek were out for a couple of hours and had a gruelling row as far as the ship canal. Vincent Villin, who will try for the junior singles, had a pipe opener in the early part of the day. Frank Veseley, showing some improvement in his style, put in some fast strokes as far as Kingsbridge and back.

The improvements of the Harlem Rowing Club house not being yet complete the members are partially prevented from indulging in regular practice work. However, Fred Fuesser put his shell overboard and had a nice spin along the Speedway course.

Jack Mulcahy of the Atalantas, who has just returned from the West Indies, doubled up with William Varley, and they took a trip on the river to Ilmber up.

Myles and Nieman of the Unions were out in a double and Halvac of the Friendships in a single did some work.

The regatta committee of the Harlem Regatta Association will hold a meeting tonight at Fabst's to arrange the details of the Memorial Day regatta and to select the medals and badges.

An idea prevails on the Harlem that James Pilkington, president of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen, with his old pertner, Jack Nagle, will be seen in the veterans' race on Memorial Day. This double won the national championship in 1889 and to see them in harness again would certainly be one of the rowing sensations of the year.

OH WHAT A BENEFIT.

Sunday Games Held for Hjertberg Result in His Being Haled to Court.

The outdoor athletic season of the metropolitan district was inaugurated yesterday at Celtic Park with a set of games for the benefit of E. W. Hjertberg, trainer for Columbia University and the Irish A. A. C. The day was fine and there was a good crowd present. When Hjertberg reached the grounds he was placed under arrest by the Law and Order League representatives for violating the Sunday law and was taken to Long Island City. He was bailed out immediately and will have to appear before a magistrate this week.

The program, though short, contained a couple of first class events. A rattling contest was witnessed in the four mile event between W. G. Frank of the Irish A. A. C. and E. P. Carr, the pride of the Xavier A. A. Frank won by two feet. The half mile walk was won by Sam Liebgold of the Pastime A. C., winner of many titles as a walkist. Lilley of the Irish A. A. C., who won the mile handicap, was protested for being a repeater, he having represented no less than three different clubs inside of a month.

100 Yard Run, Handicap—Won by W. E. Cemlotti, St. Bartholemew A. C., 8 feet; H. Weinberger, Spartan A. C., 6 feet, second; Lawson Robertson, Irish A. A. C., 2 feet, third. Time, 10 1-5 seconds.

880 Yard Run, Handicap—Won by T. A. Rodgers, New York A. C., 26 yards; F. Hanlon, Mohawk A. C., 26 yards, second; J. A. Schaeffer, Mott Haven A. C., 50 yards, third. Time, 2 minutes 10 2-5 seconds.

440 Yard Run, Handicap—Won by C. J. Clark, Irish A. A. C., 14 yards; J. H. Teenan, Irish A. A. C., 19 yards, second; J. H. Gahan, New West Side A. C., 24 yards, third. Time, 53 4-5 seconds.

One Mile Run, Handicap—Won by Alexander Lilley, Irish A. A. C., 85 yards; H. Cohen, Irish A. A. C., 10 yards, second; J. W. Modux, Columbia University, 100 yards, third. Time, 4 minutes 34 seconds.

Half Mile Walk—Won by Sam Liebgold, Pastime A. C.; Sam Cramer, Lone Star B. C., second. Time, 4 minutes 2 seconds.

Four Mile Run—Won by W. G. Frank, Irish A. A. C.; E. P. Carr, Xavier A. A., second; Bart Freeman, Xavier A. A., third. Time, 21 minutes 43 4-5 seconds.

Putting 16 Pound Shot, Handicap—Won by John J. Ryan, St. Bartholemew A. C., 2 feet, with an actual put of 36 feet 8 inches; L. E. J. Feuerbach, New York A. C., scratch, second, with an actual put of 42 feet 3 inches; L. D. Kious, New York A. C., scratch, third, with an actual put of 39 feet 11 inches.

May Be Horse Racing Circuit in Texas.

DALLAS, TEX., April 23.—Dan F. Stuart, the well known sporting man, reached Dallas to-day and has been in consultation with John H. Maddigan, the turfman of Houston, discussing the outlook for horse racing in Texas in the event of the amended pool selling bill becoming a law. Gov. Lanham still has the bill before him, and if he does not veto it the impression is that horse racing will receive a strong impetus in Texas and a circuit may be established in the State. Preachers and religious bodies are appealing to Gov. Lanham to veto the bill.

BROOKLYN'S SUNDAY VICTORY

AGAIN APPLY WHITEWASH TO BOSTON TEAM.

Police Captain Takes Names of Players and Score Card Sellers at Washington Park, but Makes No Arrests—Lewis a Big Factor—Results of Other Contests.

The Brooklyn Baseball Club resumed Sunday playing yesterday at its Washington Park grounds, it being the first Sunday game there since last season. So far as any interfering with the game by the authorities was concerned there was nothing done whatever—not even the formal arrest of one or two players and employees on the gate as was done last year. Acting Captain Burnitt of the Bergen street police station was at the grounds, and he made a list of the names of the competing ball players, the club officials and the men on the gates. This list he said would be turned over to the proper authorities for whatever action may be taken. Score cards were sold at the gates, as last year, and everything passed off quietly and without friction.

The Brooklyns shut the Bostons out again and by the same score as on Saturday, 4 to 0. Eason pitched an even, strong game for the Brooklyns, who fielded cleverly. Lewis started the run getting for the Brooklyns. He beat out a bunt in the second inning, stole second and came in on Babb's clean single. In the fourth inning Lewis was again a big factor. He doubled to left, advanced on Dobbs's sacrifice and came home on Babb's out at first base. Barclay muffed Ritter's fly in the seventh inning, Eason waited for four balls, Sheckard's grounder to first advanced the two base runners, and they tallied when Lumley hit safely to center.

The Bostons could not make more than one hit to an inning except in the ninth, when they made two, but there were two out at the time. All of their other hits were made with two men out. In the seventh inning Red Owens fumbled two grounders, and Needham sandwiched a hit in between the bobbles. This filled the bases and was Boston's best opportunity to forestall a whitewash, but Cannell killed it with an easy fly to Lumley. The score:

BOSTON.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Cannell, cf	0	0	1	0	0
Raymer, 1b	0	1	3	0	0
Abbat'o, ss	0	2	1	3	0
Wolver'n, 3b	0	0	4	0	0
Barclay, lf	0	0	3	0	1
Sharp, rf	0	0	0	0	0
Laut'b'n, 2b	0	1	1	4	2
Needham, c	0	3	6	1	0
Young, p	0	0	1	0	0
*Willis	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	0	6	24	13	3

BROOKLYN.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Sheckard, lf	0	0	3	0	0
Lumley, rf	0	2	3	0	0
Batch, 3b	0	0	1	2	0
Owens, 2b	0	0	2	4	2
Lewis, ss	2	2	2	3	1
Dobbs, cf	0	1	3	0	0
Babb, 1b	0	1	13	0	0
Ritter, c	0	1	1	1	0
Eason, p	0	0	0	3	0
Totals	4	6	27	13	3

*Batted for Young in the ninth inning.

Boston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0
Brooklyn	0	1	0	1	0	0	2	0	..—4

First base on errors—Brooklyn, 3; Boston, 3. Left on bases—Brooklyn, 5; Boston, 9. First base on balls—Off Eason, 1; off Young, 1. Struck out—By Eason, 1; by Young, 4. Two base hits—Abbat'ccho, Lewis. Sacrifice hits—Lumley, Dobbs. Stolen base—Lewis. Umpire—Johnstone. Time—1 hour and 25 minutes. Attendance—8,000.

CHICAGO (N. L.), 1; PITTSBURG, 0.

CHICAGO, April 23.—With two men out in the eighth inning to-day, Brown struck at a wild pitch and went all the way to second. Casey then drove the ball into the crowd, sending in the only run of the game. Both teams played fast ball and both pitchers were masters of the situation until the odd accident which scored Brown. The score:

CHICAGO.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Casey, 3b	0	1	1	0	0
Maloney, rf	0	0	2	0	0
Berry, 1b	0	0	8	1	0
McCarthy, cf	0	2	4	0	0
Slagle, lf	0	2	4	0	0
Tinker, ss	0	1	3	2	0
Hofman, 2b	0	0	5	0	2
Kling, c	0	0	2	0	1
Brown, p	1	0	3	4	0
Totals	1	6	27	7	3

PITTSBURG.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Clymer, rf	0	1	0	0	0
Clarke, lf	0	0	1	0	0
Beaumont, cf	0	0	2	0	0
McBride, ss	0	1	1	4	0
Clancy, 1b	0	0	13	0	0
Leach, 3b	0	0	1	1	0
Ritchey, 2b	0	0	2	6	0
Peitz, c	0	2	4	3	0
Phillippe, p	0	0	0	3	0
Totals	0	4	24	17	1

Chicago	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1—1
Pittsburg	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0—0

Left on bases—Chicago, 4; Pittsburg, 9. First base on errors—Chicago, 1; Pittsburg, 2. Two base hits—Casey, Peitz. Sacrifice hit—Beaumont. Double plays—Phillippe, Leach and Clancy; McBride, Ritchey and Clancy. First base on balls—Off Brown, 5. Hit by pitcher—By Phillippe, 1. Wild pitch—Phillippe. Struck out—By Brown, 1; by Phillippe, 5. Umpire—O'Day. Time—1 hour and 30 minutes. Attendance—22,000.

ST. LOUIS (N. L.), 12; CINCINNATI, 8.

CINCINNATI, April 23.—Nichols's wildness allowed the Reds to take a big lead to-day, but Thielman stopped them cold after the second. Ewing retired in the eighth, but Chech, who replaced him, was wild, and this, with a costly wild throw, gave the St. Louisians six runs and the game. A large crowd encircled the field. The score:

CINCINNATI.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Huggins, 2b	2	0	4	1	0
B'k'nsh'p, 1b	2	2	13	1	0
Seymour, cf	1	2	1	0	0
Sebring, rf	0	0	2	0	0
Odwell, lf	1	0	3	1	0
Bridwell, ss	0	0	5	1	1
O'conran, 3b	0	1	2	3	1
Phelps, c	1	2	3	1	0
Ewing, p	0	0	0	3	1
Chech, p	0	0	0	1	0
Totals	8	7	27	17	4

ST. LOUIS.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Clark, ss	2	0	3	1	0
Shannon, lf	2	1	4	0	0
Stool, cf	3	3	0	0	0
Grady, 1b	2	2	10	1	0
Dual'vy, rf	1	2	0	0	0
Burke, 3b	0	2	3	2	0
Farrell, 2b	1	0	3	3	0
Warner, c	0	1	2	0	0
Nichols, p	0	1	0	1	0
Thielman, p	1	1	0	3	0
Totals	12	13	27	11	2

Cincinnati	2	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	—8
St. Louis	3	0	1	0	1	0	1	6	0—12

Two base hit—Seymour. Three base hits—Grady, Thielman. Hit by pitcher—By Thielman, 1. First base on balls—Off Ewing, 2; off Nichols, 6; off Thielman, 1; off Chech, 4. First base on errors—Cincinnati, 1; St. Louis, 3. Left on bases—Cincinnati, 5; St. Louis, 7. Sacrifice hits—Shannon, Grady. Ewing. Sebring. Stolen bases—Odwell, Bridwell. Struck out—By Ewing, 1; by Nichols, 1; by Thielman, 1. Double plays—Seymour and Blankenship; Odwell and Phelps. Passed ball—Phelps. Wild pitch—Nichols. Umpire—Klem. Time—2 hours and 16 minutes. Attendance—17,827.

NATIONAL LEAGUE RECORD.

CLUBS.	New York	Pittsburg	Philadelphia	Chicago	St. Louis	Boston	Cincinnati	Brooklyn	Games Won	P.C.
New York	..	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	4	.800
Pittsburg	0	..	0	0	2	0	3	0	5	.714
Philadelphia	1	0	..	0	0	0	0	0	1	.667
Chicago	0	0	0	..	2	0	1	0	4	.500
St. Louis	0	0	2	2	..	0	1	0	3	.429
Boston	0	0	0	0	0	..	0	3	3	.375
Cincinnati	0	1	0	2	0	0	..	0	3	.375
Brooklyn	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	..	3	.333
Games lost	1	2	2	4	4	5	5	6		

FITZ MATCHED TO FIGHT.

Forfeits Posted for 20 Round Bout With Mike Schreck.

CHICAGO, April 23.—Bob Fitzsimmons is matched for a twenty round fight with Mike Schreck. Fitzsimmons posted his $1,000 forfeit last night with Charlie Essig. Bob wanted to bet $5,000 on the side, but Schreck was not in a position to cover the money. However, he will put up some kind of a bet before the fight. He posted a like forfeit. The mill will take place before whatever club offers the best inducements, the probability being that it will be pulled off somewhere in California.

International Chess Congress Begins on June 12.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

BRUSSELS, April 23.—The committee in charge of the international chess congress to open on June 10 at Ostend made known to-day that the great international masters' tournament would begin on June 12 under the management of the London expert, Isidor Gunsberg. Sixteen players will be admitted to the tournament, in which each contestant will have to play two games with every other competitor. Six prizes will be given, of 5,000, 3,000, 2,000, 1,200, 800 and 700 francs respectively. The non-prize winners will receive 2,000 francs according to the number of games won. The other rules and regulations are practically the same as adopted in previous international contests of this kind with the exception of the time limit.

Applications for places on the team will be received by Secretary B. Davidowski, Cercle des Echeques, Avenue Maniz, Brussels, Belgium, or I. Gunsberg, London.

Horse Fair Opens To-day.

When Madison Square Garden opens its doors to the Horse Fair to-day a week's carnival will be inaugurated for horsemen. Besides the racing and show features, rough riding, trick riding, steer roping and other sports of the plains are presented with the atmosphere that only the plainsman can give them. Col. Mulhall has brought an outfit all the way from Oklahoma at the invitation of the Horse Fair Association to properly depict them.

The opening day races include a free for all pace for a special cup. It will be run over a five lap course, about half a mile, best two in three heats. The pacers entered are: John McGuire's b. g. Satan, T. T. Maxfield's ch. g. Monopole, Monroe Griswold's b. g. The Goat, W. L. Rhodes's b. g. Dean Swift and W. L. Rhodes's ch. g. Hyannis.

Baseball, Washington Park, To-day, 3:30. Brooklyn vs. Boston. Admission, 50c.—*Adv.*

Baseball To-day, 4 P. M. American League Park. N. Y. Americans vs. Washington.—*Adv.*

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Detroits Beat Chicagos in Game With an Exciting Finish.

CHICAGO, April 23.—Detroit bested Chicago in an exciting finish to-day. With one out in the ninth, Schaefer singled, and O'Leary hit for two bases. Short hits by Sullivan and Mullen followed, and two runs came over. In the White Sox's half McFarland batted for White, with two out, and hit for two bases. Holmes drew a pass, but a desperate stop and throw by Coughlin ended the struggle. The score:

CHICAGO.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Holmes, lf	0	0	0	0	0
Jones, cf	2	1	0	0	0
Green, rf	0	0	1	0	0
Davis, ss	0	1	3	4	0
Donahue, 1b	0	0	18	0	0
W. Sullivan, c	0	2	2	2	0
Tannehill, 3b	0	0	3	1	0
Dundon, 2b	0	0	3	6	0
White, p	0	1	0	3	1
*Callahan	0	0	0	0	0
†McFarland	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	2	4	27	18	2

DETROIT.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Barrett, cf	0	1	2	0	0
Coughlin, 3b	0	0	1	2	0
M'Intyre, lf	0	0	2	0	0
Crawford, 1b	0	1	13	0	0
Hickman, rf	0	0	1	0	0
Schaefer, 2b	2	2	2	2	0
O'Leary, ss	1	1	3	2	0
J. Sullivan, c	0	1	3	1	0
Mullen, p	0	2	0	5	0
Totals	3	8	27	12	0

*Batted for Dundon in ninth inning.
†Batted for White in ninth inning.

Chicago	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0—2
Detroit	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	—3

First base on errors—Detroit, 2. Left on bases—Chicago, 9; Detroit, 7. Double plays—Dundon and Davis; Schaefer and Coughlin, McFarland, O'Leary. Sacrifice hits—Coughlin, Donahue, Tannehill. Stolen bases—Jones (2), Davis, Dundon. First base on balls—Off White, 3; off Mullen, 7. Hit by pitcher—By Mullen, 1. Struck out—By Mullen, 4. Passed balls—J. Sullivan, 2. Umpire—Sheridan. Time—2 hours and 22 minutes. Attendance—18,616.

ST. LOUIS (A. L.), 1; CLEVELAND, 0.

ST. LOUIS, April 23.—The Browns defeated the Cleveland Blues to-day in an eleven inning game. It was a pitchers' duel, with honors easy until the last half of the eleventh, when Hess weakened, and a single, a free pass, a wild pitch and a rap to center by Kochler scored Gleason with one man out. Both teams fought for every point in the game and were watched by 17,500 fans. Score:

ST. LOUIS.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Stone, lf	0	1	0	0	0
Van Zant, cf	0	0	0	0	0
Kochler, cf	0	1	2	0	0
Frisk, rf	0	1	0	0	0
Jones, 1b	0	0	12	0	1
Wallace, ss	0	1	3	3	0
Sugden, c	0	0	11	0	0
Padden, 2b	0	0	2	1	0
Gleason, 3b	1	1	3	3	0
Howell, p	0	0	1	6	0
Totals	1	5	33	13	1

CLEVELAND.

	R.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Vinson, lf	0	0	4	0	0
Bay, cf	0	0	0	0	0
Flick, rf	0	1	1	1	0
Lajoie, 2b	0	2	1	6	0
Bradley, 3b	0	0	0	2	1
Turner, ss	0	1	1	6	0
Carr, 1b	0	0	19	0	0
Buelow, c	0	0	5	5	1
Hess, p	0	0	0	5	0
Totals	0	4	31	21	2

*One out when winning run was scored.

St. Louis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	—1
Cleveland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0

Two base hits—Flick, Turner. Sacrifice hit—Carr. Double play—Turner, Lajoie and Carr. Passed ball—Buelow. Wild pitch—Hess. First base on balls—Off Hess, 3. Struck out—By Howell, 10; by Hess, 4. Left on bases—St. Louis, 5; Cleveland, 4. Umpires—Kelly and McCarty. Time—2 hours.

AMERICAN LEAGUE RECORD.

CLUBS.	Philadelphia	Detroit	New York	St. Louis	Washington	Chicago	Cleveland	Boston	Games Won	Per Cent.
Philadelphia	..	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	5	.833
Detroit	0	..	0	0	0	3	0	0	3	.750
New York	0	0	..	0	4	0	0	0	4	.667
St. Louis	0	0	0	..	0	1	3	0	4	.571
Washington	0	0	0	0	..	0	0	3	3	.429
Chicago	0	0	0	3	0	..	0	0	3	.429
Cleveland	0	1	0	0