IN THE SPORTING WORLD.

NEW YORK AMERICANS PIN FAITH TO JACK CHESBRO.

Star Pitcher in Good Physical Trim for Another Season and Griffith Rejoices—Umpires in the Usual Quandary—Pa Daly Getting Ready for Bennings.

Jack Chesbro, the star pitcher of the New York Americans, spent part of yesterday in town at baseball headquarters in the Flatiron Building. On Chesbro's ability to recover his form of 1904 depends much of the success of Griffith's team this year and judging from appearances the big man will make good from the moment he begins taking his regular turn in the box. At present Chesbro weighs 200 pounds, stripped, being lighter than ever before at this time of the year. He has spent the winter in Massachusetts, taking plenty of outdoor exercise and giving his valuable arm a complete rest. In 1904 Chesbro established a pitching record that will probably stand for some time to come. He pitched forty-two winning games and lost twelve, the Americans losing the championship by one game to the Boston team. Most of his effectiveness was said to be due to the "spit ball," but aside from this eccentric delivery he showed quality that made him outrank even the famous Mathewson in point of effectiveness.

Last spring Chesbro after coaching the Harvard pitchers reported to Griffith just as the Southern trip of the Americans was at an end. He said that his arm was fit and he was put into the box immediately. During the opening game in this city, Chesbro pitched four innings in a driving rainstorm and caught a cold in his wing which practically put him out of business for the rest of the season. At one time he was confined to his home for six weeks with illness which left him so weak that when he came back for work he was of no material assistance to the team. Toward the close of the season Chesbro began to show something of his old form and easily domonstrated that his arm was as strong as ever. In talking with Griffith yesterday the great boxman said that he was sure his arm would stand the strain to which it was subjected in 1904, in which event he would be able to help the Americans make a sensational fight for the pennant. With Chesbro in good trim and Al Orth again showing the usual effectiveness Griffith will be able to breathe much easier, yet he will have a big string of pitchers outside of these two from which to select regular workers in the box. Noodles Hahn Doc Newton, Walter Clarkson, Hogg Whalen, Keefe, Hughes of Topeka, Leroy and several other twirlers are on Griffith's staff and all of them will be tried out at Memphis.

This is the time of the year that umpires are wondering what will happen to them when they are unfortunate enough to enrage hostile crowds by adverse decisions. It would be a remarkable season which could be placed on record without a protest against an umpire by a club owner or manager. Yet at the winter sessions of the magnates resolutions are usually passed upholding the umpires and directing the president of the league to discipline rowdy players. These magnates virtually pay the salaries of the umpires, for their clubs are assessed for a certain amount to meet current expenses incurred by the president. The chief executive hires the umpires and makes them understand that they will receive protection, but as this official owes his position, as well as his salary, to the same magnates, it can be readily appreciated how unpleasant things can be made both for the league's leader and the judges of play under his immediate control. Umpires have been openly abused and insulted on the ball field by players who have the support of unscrupulous employers, but the public has no idea of the treatment accorded to the handlers of the indicator by the club owners themselves when they reach the seclusion of the dressing room. There have been cases of intimidation and bulldozing in which umpires, through fear of losing their position, have swallowed their grievances without a murmur.

On one or two occasions umpires have rebelled, with the inevitable result. They have been dismissed from the service, even though the president of the league has been in sympathy with them. The owner of a losing club, if he lacks real sportsmanship, usually attempts to blame the umpire. He takes his cue from the kickers in the field who draw salaries from him and believes that he is being systematically robbed. No matter how skilled an umpire may be he cannot escape the wrath of such a narrow minded official, who generally wires the league's president to have the umpire removed or discharged, as the case may be. In view of these internal troubles it seems to be hardly fair for baseball rooters to make an umpire run for his life, especially when it is taken into consideration that he is working for his bread and butter. President Johnson of the American League is perhaps the only official who stands by his umpires, regardless of the protests and faultfinding of the club owners and managers.

Manager Donovan of the Brooklyns has decided to start with his players for Columbus, S. C., on March 12. He will have twenty-five men in his care and will remain at the training quarters about two weeks before beginning a series of exhibition games. On March 20 and 21 the Brooklyns will play the Detroits at Augusta and will then return to Columbia with the Michigan team for games on March 28 and 29. Donovan's men will play in Charleston on March 30 and 31, coming to Washington for a game on April 9 and to Baltimore for a contest on April 10. The men who have signed and are on the Brooklyn's reserve list are as follows: Catchers, Bergen, Ritter, Hawley and Butler; pitchers, Corbett, Scanlon, McIntyre, Stricklett, Briggs, Pastorius, Bell, Doescher, Eason, Durham and Suggs; first basemen, Gessler and Jordan; second basemen, Hummell, Pattee and Weigand; shortstops, Lewis and Frank; third basemen, Casey and Alferman; outfielders, Lumley, McCarthy, Maloney, Batch, Malay, Dobbs and Donovan.

Official figures show that there are now thirty-two minor leagues under protection of the national agreement. These leagues have a total of 213 clubs, 4,200 players, and the salaries amount to $600,000 a month.

Turfmen who are watching the horses gallop on the Long Island tracks believe that Father Bill Daly will have a string ready to cut a lot of ice at Washington. The Sage of Hartford has had his horses in training for some time at Gravesend and has been sending them along at a lively gait. His three-year-old colt Veronese appears to be the best of the lot just now, and Daly believes that he will be his chief breadwinner. Jack Joyner has begun to send his horses over to the Brooklyn Jockey Club track daily from Sheepshead Bay, and will have several fit for Bennings also. The Gravesend track yesterday was in such good condition that a regular race could have been run over it with excellent results. The trainers are in hopes that no more snow will fall so that there will be no letup in the preparation of their charges.

Terry McGovern is putting in some hard work at his quarters in Jerome avenue in preparation for his six round mill with Battling Nelson. McGovern has been looked over by many sporting men, who are convinced that he will be in rare form, and will come near having a good bet on him when he climbs into the ring on March 14. Terry has much of his old speed, as far as boxing goes, and seems as strong as a bull. None of his practice bouts, which are hot affairs, exceeds six rounds and Terry can go that route now like greased lightning.

Yale Beats Columbia in Fast Basketball Game.

NEW HAVEN, Feb. 27.—In the fastest basketball game of the season in the Yale gymnasium the Elis defeated Columbia to-night by 17 to 13. The New Yorks got the jump on Yale and led until the first half was nearly over. A sudden brace by Yale left the score Columbia 9, Yale 8 at the end of the half. In the second half the score was seesawed until the middle of the period, when Yale got the legs.

The Yale freshmen beat the Columbia freshmen by a score of 23 to 10.

S/W Tips.

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ROOSEVELT CUP CONDITIONS.

German-American Race Committee Gives Details to Yacht Clubs.

BOSTON, Feb. 27.—The German-American race committee of the Eastern Yacht Club having charge of the international regatta for the Roosevelt Cup to be competed for off Marblehead next September by yachts of the German-Sonder-Klasse to-night sent to all recognized yacht clubs in this country circulars giving more detailed information concerning the coming races. All hands are invited to enter for the trial races to be held in August for the selection of not more than three American boats to meet those to be sent here by the Kaiserlicher Yacht Club of Kiel. By the terms of the arrangements, Germany is to be represented by not more than three boats and America by the same number.

The displacement of all yachts competing cannot exceed 4,050 pounds without crews aboard. The rig is optional, but the sail area must exceed 550 square feet. The boats must be built of cedar, mahogany or some heavier wood, and their aggregate length, beam and draught cannot exceed 32 feet. No centreboards or leeboards allowed. Hollow and bamboo spars are barred. The hulls must all be copper fastened and double planking is forbidden. The crews cannot exceed three men, and they must be citizens of the country from which their yacht hails. The helmsmen must be amateurs.

Five races will be sailed for the Roosevelt cup, which will go to the owner of the yacht that first wins three races or wins the fifth race. If the deciding race is the third, the winner cannot compete in the remaining races. If the deciding race is the fourth, the winner is excluded from the fifth. Should the first four races not have resulted in a decision, only the winners of these four races can take part in the fifth race. Should a decision not be reached in the fifth, owing to two yachts each having won two races, then the deciding race shall be sailed between these two yachts only. Handsome prizes will be offered for each race. The courses will be alternately triangular and windward and leeward. The final details, such as dates, &c., will be arranged later.

HANDICAP YACHT RACES.

Yachtsmen Organize a New Class for the Coming Season's Sport.

Twenty-one yachtsmen, owners of boats and several others, met at the Hotel Astor last night to arrange for classes of handicap races to be sailed in the regattas this coming season. The boats already pledged in the class and their owners are: Alert, J. W. Alker; Regina, F. G. Stewart; Marguerita, W. F. Clarke; Mimosa I., T. M. T. Raborg; Little Peter, F. M. Weekes; Alyce, Harry Jackson, Jr.; Thelema, A. E. Black; Acushla, E. C. Ray; Robin Hood, George E. Gartland; Firefly, G. P. Granberry; Naiad, Dr. J. B. Palmer; Maryola, H. E. Thayer; Grasshopper, Harold A. Pryer; Idler, A. Brooks; Ojigway, R. P. Morse; Kenosha I., W. R. Derth; Kenosha II., C. W. Voltz; Answer, Donald Abbott; Opossum, T. M. T. Raborg; Firefly, Guy Standing.

It is expected that this list will be increased by about twenty more boats.

G. P. Granbery was elected president of the new association, and Harry Jackson was elected secretary. The treasurer was not elected and the amount of fees that each owner is to pay was not decided. These three officers are to form the executive committee, and they will select the handicapper.

The handicaps are to be based on the past performances of the boats and figured on the percentage basis. A certain percentage of time will be allowed over the course to be taken from the first boat in. This scale will be changed from week to week, according to the performances of the boats. It is probable that there will be three divisions corresponding to the regular classes M, P and Q.

Designer Gielow was there and said that the experiment from an architect's point of view would be one of the most interesting that has been made for some time and he was sure that it would prove a success. The meeting was an enthusiastic one and the action taken by these yachtsmen will do much to boom the sport this season.

BILLIARDS.

Cline and Taylor Win Games in the 18.2 Tourney in Brooklyn.

One of the stubbornest billiard games that the shortstops have yet played took place last night in the 18.2 balk line tournament at the Knickerbocker Academy, Brooklyn, Harry Cline of Philadelphia defeated Tom Gallagher of New York, 400 to 348. A big run by one player was the signal for a big run by his opponent, and though Gallagher was beaten it was not until after he had made a fine up hill fight. He was far behind in the early stages, but drew up close before the finish. The game furnished all sorts of billiards, Cline's nursing and skill in manoeuvring to get the balls out of balk and Gallagher's varied cushion shots being features. Cline went through his 400 points without a single cipher. The score:

Cline—2, 1, 2, 75, 36, 21, 1, 17, 83, 22, 3, 2, 2, 17, 2, 1, 64, 7, 2, 1, 33. Total, 400. Average, 19 1-21. High runs, 83, 75, 64.

Gallagher—1, 13, 87, 3, 0, 0, 1, 39, 60, 61, 0, 15, 3, 0, 2, 40, 68, 1, 1, 8. Total, 348. Average, 17 8-20. High runs, 68, 61, 60.

There was another close game in the afternoon, when Al Taylor of Chicago disposed of A. C. Cutler of Boston. A run of 45 by Cutler in the third string and another of 66 in the fourth string put him within striking distance of Taylor, who led all the way. Then Taylor went out with an unfinished run of 40, which included several corking shots. The score:

Taylor—5, 17, 31, 0, 1, 30, 0, 10, 47, 0, 0, 10, 0, 45, 0, 0, 26, 20, 40, 10, 11, 19, 1, 17, 1, 0, 12, 0, 0, 7, 0, 40. Total, 400. Average, 12 16-32. High runs—47, 45, 40.

Cutler—0, 0, 0, 0, 5, 14, 0, 15, 37, 0, 0, 9, 2, 41, 4, 50, 3, 3, 2, 0, 14, 9, 0, 0, 45, 1, 66, 0, 13, 22, 4, 2. Total, 362. Average, 11 10-32. High runs—66, 50, 45.

RACING AT NEW ORLEANS.

Ben Hodder, a Derby Candidate, Beats Third Alarm Easily.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 27.—There was very little to the racing at the Fair Grounds to-day. The fourth event, at seven furlongs, saw Willie Shield's Derby hope, Ben Hodder, under a lik. He beat Third Alarm with ease. Deuxtemps ran third. Shield and his father won over $8,200 on Ben Hodder. The track was fast and the weather charming.

First Race—Three and one-half furlongs—Lucy Marie, 104 (Sewell), 5 to 1, won; Little Wanda, 103 (Macey), 15 to 1, second; Dorothy M., 101 (Livingston), 12 to 1, third. Time, 0:43 1-5. Bitter Miss, Pepper and Salt, Our Own, Mamie K, Beatric H. and Sainzilla also ran.

Second Race—Six furlongs—Paul Clifford, 131 (Robbins), 12 to 1, won; Lena J., 109 (J. Martin), 4 to 1, second; Pinsticker, 102 (Moreland), 3 to 5, third. Time, 1:15 1-5. Remington, St. Bonnie, Tennyburn, Safeguard and Request also ran.

Third Race—Six and a half furlongs—Executch, 103 (J. Johnson), 5 to 1, won; The Cure, 107 (C. Bell), 3 to 5, second; Peter Paul, 104 (Christian), 40 to 1, third. Time, 1:22. Au Revoir, Mohave, Fenian and Curd Gillock also ran.

Fourth Race—Seven furlongs—Ben Hodder, 111 (J. Martin), 4 to 5, won; Third Alarm, 102 (L. Smith), even, second; Deuxtemps, 99 (C. Hayes), 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:29 4-5. Superior Boy also ran.

Fifth Race—One mile—Avoid, 107 (W. McGee), 9 to 5, won; Hesterling, 105 (Diggins), 4 to 1, second; Sincerity Belle, 96 (Moreland), 3 to 1, third. Time 1:42 3-5. Shenandoah, Jucora, Fair Calypso and Mortensia also ran.

Sixth Race—One mile—Depends, 98 (Nokne), 3 to 1, won; Tribes Hill, 112 (W. Robbins), 5 to 2, second; Water Pansy, 105 (Bedell), 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:43 2-5. Ogontz, Burke Cochran, 11 Dottore, Fred Hornbeck, Ponce, Flying Trapeze, North Wind and John Randolph also ran.

BUSY BEES IN THE GARDEN.

MORE THAN 4,000 VACATE HONEY MAKING CAGE.

Pay Particular Attention to F. L. Flack, Who Is Badly Stung—Buster Brown in Commission Again—Tarpon Fishing Explained at the Sportsmen's Show.

It will be navy night at the Motor Boat and Sportsmen's Show in the Madison Square Garden to-night, and among those who have accepted invitations to be present are Rear Admiral J. B. Coghlan and staff from the Brooklyn Navy Yard, Rear Admiral Hemphill, Capt. W. J. Baxter, Capt. W. H. Emory and Naval Constructor D. J. Nutting. These officers are all interested in motor boats and in the marine gas engine and they will make a very careful inspection of all the boats and motors on exhibition at the show. To-morrow night will be National Guard night and several officers of regiments in this city will be present.

There is an exhibition of honey on the top gallery of the Garden, and with it in glass cases are shown the bees at work storing honey in the comb. Late on Monday night or early yesterday morning some one who had a sweet tooth broke into one of these glass cases and in an instant more than 4,000 bees were buzzing about the Garden. F. L. Flack, one of the attendants, was badly stung and all who were on duty in the Garden during the night took good care to keep as far as possible out of the range of the bees. It grew cold during the night and when the day attendants entered the building the bees had nearly all died. The bees were shown by H. J. Stringham, who has hives in different parts of the State.

Buster Brown was in shape again yesterday afternoon. The hole that had been stove in the boat on Monday night by the Lozier was repaired and the popular little craft was again in commission, much to the delight of the children, who patronize the boat all the time.

George H. Price, the vice-president of the Tampico Tarpon Club, who has a large exhibit of tarpon at the show, is a constant visitor at the Garden. The Tampico club is building a new house, which is to cost $40,000 and which will be ready for opening next season. Among the members of this club are John W. Gates, Bourke Cockran, Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, Sir Frederick Johnson, the Countess of Wilton, Judge Pollock of Kansas, Judge McPherson of Missouri, and Judge Phillips of Iowa. Mr. Price has been an enthusiastic tarpon fisherman for two years, and in that time he has landed 212 fish averaging 140 pounds each. Of these ninety-three were caught with the same pole.

In speaking of the sport Mr. Price said yesterday: "Catching tarpon is one of the most exciting sports I know of. Tarpon are found only in the Gulf of Mexico. Three and four years ago they were to be found in large numbers along the west coast of Florida, but now the best fishing is to be found along the east coast of Mexico. Tarpon are a species of herring, being the largest of that family. They run from 5 feet to 7 feet 2 inches in length and weigh anywhere from 50 to a little over 200 pounds. I have known tarpon scales to reach 5 inches in diameter. The method of catching tarpon is by trolling, either from rowboats or power launches. The best tarpon fishing on the Mexican coast is found in the Papaloo River. A six or seven foot pole and a No. 21 or common bass line is used. The reel is fitted with a drag and will hold 600 feet of line. The biggest catch is credited to Dr. Hough of Tampico, who landed seventeen fish in one day. Tarpon fishing is becoming very popular with sport loving people, especially New Yorkers. When I left Tampico, a little over a week ago, Sir Frederick Johnson and his wife were there in the 225 foot steam yacht Zenite for five weeks of tarpon fishing. Ducks, South American jaguars and mountain lions are to be found in large numbers in the country back of Tampico."

The Austrian Navy has selected a standard motor for the personal use of the First Admiral of the Austrian navy. This motor is a four cylinder 25 horse-power and is to be installed in the Admiral's gig.

At the second annual meeting of the National Association of Engine and Boat Builders which was held in the Fifth Avenue Hotel President J. J. Amory in his address said that the association had accomplished much in its short existence. Referring to the Senate bill which is proposed to regulate power boats Mr. Amory said that the association indorsed the bill. This bill only applies to motor boats under fifteen tons that are exclusively used for hire in carrying passengers. He stated that he thought such legislation just and reasonable and that it would greatly help the motor boat interest, instead of proving a detriment, as all boats used for hire should be under the charge of some responsible person. The legislation intended does not in any way affect motor boats used exclusively for pleasure or private use, and only refers to such craft that as used exclusively for the carrying of passengers. The treasurer's report shows the association in good standing financially.

Among the members present were Messrs. John A. Amour, H. A. Lozier, Jr.; James Craig, Jr.; H. N. Whittlesey, H. Snyder, F. M. Crossett, M. H. Moffitt, D. A. Richardson, J. M. Newbury, James A. Reeves, Frederick S. Nock, M. M. Whittaker, H. M. Odiome, H. G. Mears, A. J. Pierce, W. F. Fay, William J. Reynolds, H. B. Aldrich, Mr. Slade, W. J. Graham, Henry Sutphin, Eugene A. Riotte, Andre Massen, H. H. Brautigam, Albert E. Eldridge, Mr. McNaughton, E. P. Conrad, John F. Johnson, G. F. Hammann, J. W. S. Harding, Jr., M. A. Belden, H. S. Gandel.

The election of members of the executive committee will be held on March 5.

The results of yesterday's sports follow:

Junior Tub Race, 60 Yards—Won by R. Boyd; G. Hamilton, second.

Junion Mattress Race, 60 Yards—First Heat—Won by J. Katelas; G. Hamilton, second. Second Heat—Won by R. Boyd; J. Elmore, second.

Man Fishing Contest—George H. Price of Tampico, Mexico, fisherman, and E. Lane of City Island, man fish. First trial, F. Lane broke the line after 5 minutes. Second trial—After 4 minutes in the water the headgear became unfastened and the event was declared off.

Swimming against time around the lagoon, one-tenth of a mile—Won by E. Spielberger of Hammels Station; H. T. Weiss, second.

NOTED RINGER EXPOSED.

A. C. Pennock Identifies Lady Knapp as a Mare That Raced as Mildred.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 27.—The American Trotting Association, through A. C. Pennock of Cleveland, to-day unearthed the final chapter in a ringing conspiracy. Mr. Pennock positively identified in Lady Knapp, owned in this city by C. L. Hooper, a horse that in the fall of 1904, as Mildred, won a series of purses on the Pennsylvania, Ohio and Indiana circuits and became famed in that section as a mare unbeatable in her presumed class, 3:15. As Lady Knapp the mare got a mark of 2:09¼ on the Western circuit that summer, and was a big purse winner. At that time she was owned by J. N. Knapp of Redfield, Ia., and leased to Dad Whitney of Des Moines. She suddenly disappeared from the Western circuit.

A week later, at Johnstown, Pa., an old man drove into the fair grounds in an express wagon, behind which was hitched a bedraggled looking mare. The man introduced himself to Pennock, who was there with a string of horses. He said he had a fast mare that would clean up the whole bunch, and wanted to borrow Pennock's sulky. He confidentially tipped off Mildred as a good thing to plunge on. The night before the race it was noticed that in the pools Mildred was being regularly bought by two men. She took the race in 2:15¼, with ease. She did the same thing at other towns on the circuit.

The following month, at Cleveland, Whitney was taken down as driver for holding back, and although hoppled so tightly the next heat that the blood ran down her legs the mare took it and the race. The following spring Whitney returned the horse to her owner, who disposed of her to Hoppler. The latter has decided to withdraw the animal entirely from racing rather than attempt to repay the big winnings made by her as a ringer. Whitney is now under suspension for ringing two other horses, and this fact led to the investigation which resulted in Pennock's visit here and his positive indentification of Lady Knapp as the mare Mildred of the Eastern circuit.

Cricketers Elect Officers.

The annual meeting of the New York Cricket Association was held on Monday night at the Cosmopolitan Hotel. J. MacDonald Johnstone presided, and delegates were in attendance from the following clubs: Columbia Oval, Essex County, Manhattan, Mount Vernon, Newark, O. N. T., Paterson, Thistles, Union County, West Indians, Yonkers and the New York Veterans Association.

On account of the Metropolitan District Cricket League opposing the proposed amalgamation the resolution advocating it by the sub-committee was tabled and the committee discharged. An application was received from the Cameron Club, with playing grounds at Van Cortlandt Park, and they were elected to membership.

The election of officers for 1906 resulted as follows:

President, Arthur E. Kendle; vice-president, E. A. Leach; secretary and treasury, R. Dundas; delegate at large, T. C. Clift; executive committee, F. G. Warburton, A. F. Harding, J. L. Evans, R. Dundas, W. Goddard, F. C. Birch, J. Douglas, F. A. Sergeant, F. Gittens, J. Critchlow, G. R. Stedman, E. V. Brendon and C. Goodman.

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HOCKEY.

New York A. C. Wins and Now Has to Meet the Crescents for the Championship.

The New York Athletic Club hockey team won from the Hockey Club of New York last night. The game was played in the St. Nicholas Skating Rink and the score was 2 goals to 1 in favor of the New Yorks. This was the last regular game of the Amateur Hockey League tournament, and by the win the New York and Crescent Athletic Clubs teams are now tied, each with four games won and two lost. These teams are to play again for the championship and there will be a meeting of the managers of each team and of the executive committee of the league this afternoon to decide when and where the game shall be played. Each rink wants to get the game as it means many dollars to its coffers.

It was said last night that wherever it is played the two clubs interested have taken all the seats in the house, and the game will undoubtedly be the most exciting of the season. After last night's game some Crescent Club admirers offered odds of 2 to 1 on the players from across the Bridge winning. The New York club members took these odds as often as they were offered and several bets were recorded.

Last night's game did not show the New Yorkers off to their best advantage. They were not able to do their best probably because the Hockey Club could not force them to play their hardest, but when against the Crescents things will be different.

Castleman and Russell faced off and after the puck had gone up and down the rink a few times Bullen made the first shot for a goal, but Ellison neatly turned the puck aside. Then the Hockey Club players got the puck in the New Yorkers' territory and three hard shots were sent at Strange, all of which he stopped. The play was mostly in the New York territory for some time, but the defence of the New York team was too strong. The Hockey Club men would not pass as often as they should and consequently lost several chances to score.

After about ten minutes of play Coolican and Castleman carried the puck to the Hockey Club goal by clever passing and Coolican shot the puck into the net. It was a weak shot and the puck never left the ice, but Ellison stumbled as he tried to stop it and before he could recover himself the goal was scored. Then the play was open again and each side tried hard to score, but the defences were equal to the attacks. Then Fenwick got the puck and dodged through the Hockey Club team and passed it to Coolican the side of the rink and Coolican scored the second goal for the New Yorkers. This was all the scoring done in the first half.

In the second half, soon after the game was resumed, Coolican was sent to the bench for tripping, and while he was off Harmon and McKenzie carried the puck through the New York players and McKenzie scored. The Hockey Club then tried desperately to tie the score. Time after time they got the puck well down the rink, but their forwards could not shoot well enough to count and then when the New Yorkers tried Ellison saved the Hockey Club's goal. There was a little hot playing at times. Newbery was sent to the bench for tripping Fenwick, and Newbery and Coolican smashed into each other and Coolican was hurt, as most players are when they meet Newbery. The game ended without any more scoring. The teams lined up as follows:

New York A.C.	Position.	Hockey Club.
Strange	Goal	Ellison
Williams	Point	McKenzie
Fenwick	Cover Point	Newbery
Locke	Rover	Phillips
Bullen	Left wing	Bryan
Coolican	Rover	Harmon
Castleman	Centre	Russell

Score—New York A. C., 2; Hockey Club of New York, 1. Goals—By Coolican, 2; McKenzie. Referees—H. Hayward and C. Souther. St. Nicholas Skating Club. Goal umpires—K. Godon and R. Leake, St. Nicholas Skating Club. Time of halves—20 minutes each.

FRENCH FENCER WINS.

Merignac Defeats Galante, Italian Champion, in International Match.

An international contest with foils between Lucien Merignac, champion of France, and Giuseppe Galante, the Italian champion, and winner of many prizes recently in Europe, took place last night at the Carnegie Lyceum before a big crowd. The affair was under the auspices of the Fencers' Club and New York A. C., and the local experts were present in force to see the supposedly leading schools of swordplay on trial.

As a rule Americans fancy the French school, and whatever fencing has been carried on in this country is to an extent an imitation. That the Italian school is somewhat different was demonstrated last night when the contestants faced each other. Merignac, who is left handed, exhibited a lightning attack, a whirlwind parry and a reverse that was a revelation to Galante. The Italian crouched low and came to close quarters with a rush, depending mostly on the parry at close range.

Then the foils used, too, were differently constructed: Merignac using the regulation weapon with the steel shell guard while that of Galante had the steel guard on the inside fitted with a steel cross bar. It was said this guard was an advantage, as by placing the thumb on it the fencer could direct the point with more precision. Merignac visited here last year, and in a series of bouts, in succession, one night met all the professionals and made the entire lot look like novices.

The judges were Charles E. Goodhue, New York A. C.; W. Scott O'Connor, Fencers' Club, and Major Descrashé. Dr. Graeme M. Hammond, New York A. C., was master of ceremonies, and as a sort of warming up preliminary Merignac fenced two bouts, the first with Prof. Murray of Columbia University, and the next with Prof. Brun-Brusson of the Fencers' Club. Galante had also two bouts, one with Prof. Capdeville, Fencers' Club, and the second with Prof. Gouspy, New York A. C.

The terms of the match between Merignac and Galante was a series of ten bouts each of three minutes duration, with a rest of a minute between each bout. Touch made on all parts of the body from the neck to the waistline and on the back counted. The first touch in bout No. 1 was made by the Italian in about 20 seconds and Merignac scored toward the close of the first minute. The Frenchman was acting cooler and made another touch a few seconds later, but it was not allowed by the judges. In the second bout Merignac, showing great speed, scored the only touch made and won, a goose egg being registered for Galante.

A fierce exchange occurred in the third bout, but it finally ended in a draw, each fencer scoring a solitary score. Neither man was credited with a touch in the fourth bout. Merignac showed fine speed in the fifth bout, winning by 2 to 1. Both were puffing like porpoises, and the Italian was a trifle the fresher of the two.

The sixth bout was another draw, both having scored a touch and it was then announced that the match would be shortened to eight bouts. Galante showed to advantage in the seventh bout, winning by a single to nothing. Another draw resulted in the eighth bout, as neither scored. The total result gave the match to Merignac, with two bouts to one, the other five being drawn.

First Bout—Merignac, 1; Galante, 1. Second bout—Merignac, 1; Galante, 0. Third bout—Merignac, 1; Galante, 1. Fourth bout—Merignac, 0; Galante, 0. Fifth bout—Merignac, 2; Galante, 1. Sixth bout—Merignac, 1; Galante, 0. Seventh bout—Galante, 1; Merignac, 0. Eighth bout—Merignac, 0; Galante, 0.

Total Bouts—Merignac, 2; Galante, 1. Drawn bouts, 5.

Total Number of Touches—Merignac, 6; Galante, 5.

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LITTLETON ATTACKS JEROME.

Long Speech on a Motion to Dismiss the Mann Complaint.

All the evidence in support of Robert J. Collier's complaint that Col. William D. Mann of *Town Topics* committed perjury at the trial of Norman Hapgood for criminal libel was put in yesterday by Assistant District Attorney Hart.

Martin W. Littleton, counsel for Col. Mann, made a long speech on a motion to dismiss the charge, in which he attacked the prosecution of Col. Mann and the conduct of the Hapgood trial by District Attorney Jerome. After Mr. Littleton's speech an adjournment was taken for two weeks so that Mr. Jerome can personally reply to Mr. Littleton.

In his speech Mr. Littleton referred to the Hapgood trial as a hippodrome. He asked that the charge against Col. Mann be dismissed, as there was not enough evidence to support the charge. He said that Col. Mann had been maliciously persecuted and demanded to know if there was evidence of blackmail or extortion against Col. Mann why a charge of that kind wasn't made. He referred specifically to the statements of Mr. Collier, who is spending so much money in prosecuting the Colonel. Mr. Littleton said:

"I say it is either up to them to shoot or give up the gun, and not to undertake to convict upon a weak case by the prejudices of a crusade—not to make it so that a man cannot go into court and get a fair trial. We insist that they come squarely into the open and charge this defendant with these things."

In the Hapgood trial Mr. Littleton said all that District Attorney Jerome had to do was to prove that the article in question was libellous on its face. Mr. Littleton couldn't see why Col. Mann wasn't called as a witness at all.

"Having flung wide the gate and opened wide the door for the cross-examination after he had tied the Colonel hand and foot——" began Mr. Littleton.

"Who tied him hand and foot and how was he tied hand and foot?" interrupted Assistant District Attorney Hart.

"He was tied by reason of the fact of this hippodrome practice of your office," said Mr. Littleton, "which dealt fast and loose with the dignified administration of justice."

Mr. Littleton made a severe attack on Moses Ellis Wooster in connection with the Count Reginald Ward letter and the Rico stock transaction. He said "that Wooster had withered up his soul in the most contemptible crime that a man can be guilty of when he admitted that he struck at the altar of his friend and stole his wife from his bosom."

Mr. Littleton also had something to say about the testimony of handwriting experts. "They can't be prosecuted for perjury," he said; "they swore that their opinion was so and so. God knows whether it was true or not. They might as well not be sworn, as it is absolutely foolish."

Wooster was the only witness examined yesterday. He was asked about his connection with the Blue Pencil Club, and he admitted that he had obtained considerable money for the club while he was connected with it.

S. F. B. MORSE'S NEPHEW IN COURT

Wife Says He Sent Her to a Sanitarium and Doesn't Support Her.

George E. Morse, a patent lawyer of 220 Broadway, who is a grandnephew of Samuel F. B. Morse, was in the West Side court yesterday afternoon, charged by his wife, Elizabeth Emily, with abandonment. The Morses have lived apart for a year.

Mrs. Morse declared in court that her husband is addicted to liquor and drugs, and said that she had not received any support from him since September. She said that he engaged a number of allenists a year ago and had her sent to a sanitarium in Amityville, L. I. She was discharged, she said, when the physicians there found that she was sane.

Mrs. Morse asked Magistrate Whitman to put her husband under a heavy bond to support her. His attorney, Leon Prince, said that Oscar Hammerstein, a friend of Morse, would furnish the bond if it were not too heavy. The Magistrate adjourned the case for further hearing.

The Morses have two children. Mrs. Morse lives at 551 West 149th street.

Basketball Notes.

HAMILTON, N. Y., Feb. 27.—Colgate defeated Allegheny 33 to 13 in poor exhibition of basketball to-night.

MIDDLETOWN, Feb. 27.—Wesleyan's basketball team defeated Hamilton here to-night by 21 to 19, in an exciting game. Dearborn made the winning goal on a sensational throw after three minutes of over time play.

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