CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

MORAN APPEARS TO BE NELSON'S LOGICAL OPPONENT,

But There's Bitterness Between the Briton and Attell, With a Possible Match in Sight if the Battler Does Not Come to Time—Hurst's Responsibility.

Members of the Fairmont A. C. who saw the Moran-Murphy bout Tuesday night were unexpectedly let into a secret. When Abe Attell jumped into the ring to challenge the winner he bowed in response to generous applause and then, according to ring etiquette, he walked over to Murphy's corner and extended his hand in friendship. Murphy shook it warmly and Attell said something pleasant to the Harlem boxer. But just when the members expected to see Attell cross over to Moran's corner for another cordial handshake the American featherweight champion turned the other way, muttering to himself, and got out of the ring without so much as a look in Moran's direction. Moran saw it all and laughed, but the club members apparently did not approve of the slight. Attell has been very bitter in his feelings toward Moran ever since the clever Briton fought two draws with him in California. Prior to those encounters Attell was hailed as the best featherweight in the world, but after dictating terms to Moran in each instance Attell found that he had met his match.

When Attell faced Jem Driscoll recently and was bested in ten rounds he saw Moran warmly encouraging the Welshman and afterward tendering his congratulations. Attell therefore decided to keep away from Moran until he could get the Briton into the ring with him again. As Attell declared publicly that he wanted to fight the winner of the Moran-Murphy go sporting men yesterday were naturally looking forward to a fight between Attell and Moran. Attell, it is understood, wants to box Moran at the American featherweight limit, 122 pounds ringside, a weight that Moran can make, but it is said that there is no chance for a match until Moran has either succeeded or failed in his desire to take a crack at Battling Nelson, the lightweight champion, in a ten round bout at 133 pounds, ringside.

Because of Moran's splendid showing against Murphy there seemed to be a general desire yesterday to see him mix it up with Nelson. Moran never put up a better fight in his life than with the Harlem boxer. The fact that Murphy had about five pounds the better of the weights cut no figure with Moran, who weighed a trifle more than 126. Although Murphy is fully as clever in ring science as Nelson he could not ward off Moran's fast and never ceasing attack, with the result that he received the worst beating of his career. If Attell would agree to meet Moran at 126 pounds ringside or 125 pounds at 4 o'clock it is thought that the Englishman would be stronger than the American and would possibly win decisively, just as Driscoll did. But Attell, according to his friends, will take no such chances.

Attell is anxious to meet Nelson too and thinks that he can outpoint the Battler for the excellent reason that in a fifteen round bout in California just one year ago he held the lightweight champion to a draw.

Nelson has been telling the sporting public that he is ready to meet all comers, no color barred, at the lightweight limit, and Moran says that he will give to the Battler a chance to show that he is on the square. It is the opinion in some quarters that Moran will make a serious error if he agrees to fight anybody at less than 126 pounds. He is growing, and in his present form it is believed that he can make things hum with Nelson or Attell unless he is compelled to weaken himself in order to secure a match.

When Tim Hurst enters the ring of the National A. C. a week from to-morrow night to referee the ten round bout between Stanley Ketchel, the middleweight champion, and Philadelphia Jack O'Brien he will assume an unusual responsibility. Because of O'Brien's reputation as a pugilistic faker it will be up to Hurst to decide whether the bout is strictly on the level or not. If Hurst reaches the conclusion that anything is wrong he will notify the club directors, who will decline to pay the men for their services as "entertainers," while the club members will receive their "reservations" back. There have been many rumors in circulation ever since Ketchel and O'Brien were matched several weeks ago. One report has it that Ketchel will not try to knock O'Brien out and that the "inside wise guys" will try to get down bets that the Philadelphian will stay the limit.

O'Brien is one of the best boxers in the profession, but he cannot hit hard enough to hurt such a rugged man as Ketchel. On the other hand Ketchel is a terrific puncher and a fast aggressive pugilist who believes in rushing to close quarters for incessant mixup. It will be comparatively easy therefore for Referee Hurst to determine whether Ketchel is trying his best or not, and as Hurst is a conscientious, fearless referee the club members feel that they will be protected. Just why Ketchel has taken O'Brien on instead of Sam Langford is something of a puzzle. Ketchel is apparently proud of the fact that he is the middleweight champion of the world, yet he has studiously avoided a fight with Langford, who stands ready to make 158 pounds ringside for him. O'Brien has not fought a good man since Tommy Burns double crossed him at Los Angeles, more than a year ago, and as Burns has since turned out to be a second rater O'Brien does not look like a first class fighter just at present.

Tommy Maloney, who is believed to be a coming featherweight and who bested Jack Ryan in a preliminary bout at the National A. C. last week, writes, through his manager, to THE SUN that he weighed only 124 pounds, not 128, in the Ryan mill and that he can do 122 pounds at any time. Maloney is only just beginning his ring career and his friends think that he will gradually fight his way to the top of the featherweight division. So far he has developed all the qualities of a good pugilist.

Patsy Kline, the slashing Newark boxer, who has been climbing the ladder steadily of late, will have a chance to see what he can do with Abe Attell in a ten round bout at the Whirlwind A. C., Lenox avenue and 116th street, to-night. Kline is a hard puncher who likes to rough it and mix it. He is clever too, so that his friends expect him to make Attell move at a pretty swift gait.

There were busy times at the Sheepshead Bay track yesterday. The horses were out bright and early and the railbirds inspected them like old times. The Pimlico meeting will be a magnet for many of them unless the local season opens on April 15. Some of the best known horses that took exercise over the Bay track were Dr. Crapple, Masquerade, Big Beth, Brush, Jonathan, Waterspeed, Sadler, Trance, Nimbus, Dreamer, Master Robert and many classy looking two-year-olds. At Gravesend and Belmont Park there was so much activity that visitors could have imagined that the turf in New York State had never been molested. The lack of first class jockeys, because of the departure of nearly all the crack riders for Europe, appears to be worrying owners and trainers not a little. A small army of ambitious stable boys are getting up early these days to exercise the racers and obtain chances later on to fill the vacant places.

It is said that Charles Edward, a winner of $31,448 in his two seasons on the turf, and holder of the world's record for a mile and a furlong, will be trained again in this season. Charles Edward was purchased at the sale of the Patechogue Stable by J. H. Warren, but no attempt was made to train him last fall. He was allowed to rest all winter, but has done so well that he will be shipped to Gravesend in a few days to be placed in training once more.

Big Task for Bonhag.

At the Fordham games in the Twenty-second Regiment Armory, Broadway and Sixty-eighth street, on Saturday night George V. Bonhag will attempt a feat that will put him to the test, marvellous runner though he is. He will run seven miles against a team of two men chosen from the fastest distance men in the district. Each of Bonhag's competitors will run three and a half miles, while he will attempt to cover the full distance in faster time than they.

N. Y. U. Baseball Managers.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the New York University Athletic Association held yesterday Charles F. Norlew, '10, of Brooklyn, was elected manager, and H. Miller, '11, of New Rochelle, was elected assistant manager of the baseball team.

CELTIC HITS COUNT.

Help McGraw's Team to Beat Waco by 9 to 1.

WACO, Tex., March 17.—While Mathewson and Ames were fanning thirteen of the local team of Texas Leaguers the Celtic members of the New York Nationals who dropped in here this morning for their farewell visit celebrated St. Patrick's day in befitting style. McCormick, Doyle, Murray and O'Hara divided the batting honors and the McGrawites won by the score of 9 to 1. Waco's one run was not the result of hitting. The locals made a much better showing than the Dallas team did last Sunday and they were also pitted against the best team that McGraw has sent into Texas League territory this spring. With the exception of Herzog, who played in the Dallas game to-day, and Arthur Devlin, who remained in Marlin, the regular nine was brought up here. Merkle substituted for Devlin.

It was Mathewson's first real pitching down here and he took care not to exert himself too much. He did not have great speed and his "fadeaway" delivery was not employed often. Matty contented himself with working the corners of the plate and trusting to his support.

The team fielded splendidly behind him. Ames was a trifle shy on control, but he whizzed the ball up so fast that he had the batters backing away timidly and struck out eight of them in four innings. The Waco boys could not couple hits on McGraw's pitchers, never getting more than one an inning.

At the breakaway the Giants grabbed a tally, the result of singles by Doyle, Murray and O'Harra. A southpaw named Lloyd held them to this slight lead for three more innings, but in the fifth round they jumped on him for five successive hits and three runs. After that it was a slow contest.

Deardorf, who followed Lloyd to the slab, lost the plate in the seventh inning. After Murray had doubled he walked the next four men, allowed the next two to hit and then passed another. If the Giants had not tried and failed on two double steals they could have piled up many more than five runs.

The only batter to take a generous sample of Matty and Ames was Harbison, who touched each for a double and Mathewson for a single. The New Yorks returned to Marlin to-night.

The score:

NEW YORK.	AB.	H.	P.	O.	E.	WACO.	AB.	H.	P.	O.	E.
M'C'mick,lf.	6	3	0	0	0	Kipp,ss.	3	1	1	6	0
Doyle,2b.	4	2	2	1	0	Hoffman,3b	3	1	2	1	0
Murray,rf.	6	3	1	0	0	Shelton,1b.	4	0	7	0	0
Tenney,1b.	4	1	8	1	0	V'son,rf-c.	4	1	8	2	0
O'Hara,cf.	4	3	0	0	0	Powell,c-lf.	4	0	2	0	0
Merkle,3b.	4	0	0	1	1	H'bison,2b.	4	3	3	2	0
Bridwell,ss.	2	0	2	3	0	James,cf-rf	3	0	2	0	1
McGraw,ss.	0	0	0	0	0	R H'm'n,cf.	4	0	2	1	0
Schiel,c.	3	0	5	0	0	Lloyd,p.	2	1	0	1	0
Snodgrass,c	2	1	8	2	0	Deardorf,p.	2	0	0	1	0
M'th'son,p.	2	1	0	3	0						
Ames,p.	2	0	1	0	0	Totals.	35	7	27	14	1
Totals.	39	14	27	11	1						

New York	1	0	0	0	1	3	0	5	0	0—9
Waco	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0—1

Runs—New York—McCormick, 1; Doyle, 2; Murray, 1; Tenney, 2; O'Hara, 1; Merkle, 1; Ames, 1. Waco—Kipp, 1. Two base hits—Harbison (2), Murray. Three base hit—O'Hara. Stolen bases—Doyle, O'Hara, Schiel, McCormick. Left on bases—New York, 12; Waco, 8. Double plays—Mathewson, Bridwell and Tenney (2.) Struck out—By Mathewson, 5; by Lloyd, 3; by Ames, 8; by Deardorf, 2. First base on balls—Off Mathewson, 1; off Deardorf, 7; off Ames, 2. Hit by pitcher—By Deardorf, 1. Passed ball—Snodgrass. Hits—Off Mathewson, 4 in five innings; off Lloyd, 9 in five innings. Umpire—Curtis. Time—1 Hour and 55 minutes. Attendance—800.

CLOSE GAME AT MACON.

Regulars, Though Outbatted, Beat Second Team, 4 to 2.

MACON, Ga., March 17.—The regulars and second team of the New York Americans renewed their scrap this afternoon, and the regulars, although outbatted, won by a score of 4 to 2, playing an uphill game. The second team got after Doc Newton in lively style in the first inning and jostled him for two runs. The regulars could not tally until the fourth inning, when they tied the score. They made two more counts in the sixth, both without the aid of a hit. A base on balls by Pete Wilson, some crafty base running and a muff of a thrown ball by Duke Farrell settled the strife in favor of the regulars.

The pitching of Quinn and McConnell, the third base play of Elberfeld and Austin and the hitting of Hemphill were the prominent developments of the game. Quinn, pitching the first three innings for the second team, had a spitter which held his opponents to two scattering hits, and McConnell, pitching the last three innings for the regulars, also had a spitter in addition to his usual mixture. The trying out which these two pitchers are getting makes it look as if Stallings expects a good deal from them.

Elberfeld and Austin both played third base splendidly. It was the former's first guardianship of that bag in a game and he made himself at home from the jump. He had a variety of chances, making one fast one handed play on a bunt, one assist on a hard hit ball back of the bag and one well over to his left. Austin was sure on ground balls and his smothering of one vicious bounder was the star play of the game. He also pulled in a liner for an unassisted double play. He stole the only base on the second team side, while Keeler stole one for the regulars. Chase one, Demmitt two and Knight one.

Hemphill made two doubles and a single, one hit for every time up. McConnell's pitching was particularly effective with men on bases. Wilson led off with a hit in the fifth inning but never got away from first base, and in the sixth Hemphill opened with a double and failed to negotiate the circuit. He was thrown out at the plate on a run down which included Elberfeld, Blair and McConnell.

Ball slapped one of Newton's offerings over the left field fence for a home run in the first inning. Austin was safe on Demmitt's muff, stole second, took third on Cree's save bunt and was sent through on Hemphill's two sacker. Cree was caught between third and home on Ward's tap to Newton, and in running him down Kleinow fell over him and tore the runner's stocking nearly off with his spikes. The spikes did not reach the skin, however.

While Quinn was in the regulars didn't have a chance, but Wilson gave three bases on balls in the fourth inning, and these together with an infield hit by Chase, Ball's fumble, a wild pitch and Laporte's hot single furnished two tallies for the regulars. In the sixth, with one out, Wilson passed Elberfeld, and the Kid went to third on Ward's miss of Demmitt's grounder. Laporte fanned, but Knight hit to Wilson, whose assist was dropped gracefully by Farrell. Elberfeld counted on that misplay, Demmitt going to third. Knight stole second while Wilson was holding the ball, drew a balk throw, and Demmitt sneaked home on the throw. The regulars tried the squeeze once, but it was a fizzle.

All the victims of colds were better to-day, though Gardner didn't go out. Joe Ward reports his arm much better, but he wants to try batting any chances with it and lobbed his throws.

The teams were as follows, Demmitt and Engle swapping fields.

First Team—Engle, centre field; Keeler, right field; Chase, first base; Elberfeld, third base; Demmitt, left field; Laporte, second base; Knight, shortstop; Kleinow and Blair, catchers; Newton and McConnell, pitchers.

Second Team—Hemphill, centre field; McIlveen, right field; Farrell, first base; Austin, third base; Cree, left field; Ward, second base; Ball, shortstop; Sweeney, catcher; Quinn and Wilson, pitchers.

The score:

									R.	H.	E.
First team	0	0	0	2	0	2	—	4	4	1	
Second team	2	0	0	0	0	0	—	2	7	3	

New York's Second Team Beats Dallas.

DALLAS, Tex., March 17.—The second division of the New York Nationals playing here to-day were in good form and put up a smart exhibition against the local Texas leaguers, winning by a score of 12 to 4. The local infielders were afflicted with sore muscles and weak arms. They could not throw far or swiftly. The result was many safeties and runs for the visitors that under good physical condition of their opponents could not have materialized. Benny Meyers, formerly of Dallas, was the brightest attraction in the visiting constellation and kept the bleachers cheering over his stick work. He made four safe hits in five times at bat and drove in six runs. Simmons made three hits and three times to the plate and Herzog made three runs and stole three bases. All of the New Yorkers showed good form. Kuepper and Holmes used a liberal amount of speed. The attendance was 1,500. The score:

										R.	H.	E.
Dallas	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	0—	4	8	2
New York	2	0	1	0	2	0	3	0	4—	12	15	4

Batteries—Peters, Jones, Onslon and Sweatt, Knepper, Holmes, Wilson and P. Bresnahan.

A Freshman Captain of Rutgers Gymnasts

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., March 17.—A freshman, Dean C. Anderson of Brooklyn, was elected to lead the Rutgers gymnastic team for next year. To elect a freshman to such an honor is not in accordance with the custom, but the makeup of the team this year was very peculiar and made the choice of a captain very difficult. Rutgers will enter six men for the intercollegiates this year. They will be Thompson, Morrison and Neilson in club swinging; Read and Cook on the rings and Anderson on the horizontal bars.

JEFF WILL FIGHT JOHNSON

BIG FELLOW READY TO MAKE ANNOUNCEMENT.

Has Been Hanging Back for Business Reasons, It Is Said, but Is Now Convinced That He Can Fit Himself for a Championship Mill With the Negro.

James J. Jeffries has decided to reenter the prizering to fight Jack Johnson, the negro champion of the world. This formal announcement will be made by Jeffries in a few days, it was said on excellent authority last night, and he will also send word to Johnson to come on here and sign articles of agreement.

In the Jeffries camp it is said that the boilermaker has refrained from stating definitely his plans for the reason that it was believed by his theatrical manager that a decision to fight again might destroy public interest in Jeff's training exhibitions on the stage. But in view of Johnson's fight talk in Chicago and his expressed willingness to tackle Jeffries at any time, winner to take all, or on a fair cut of the purse, it was said last night that Jeffries and his friends had reached the conclusion that the time is now ripe for him to declare himself. For that reason and also to avoid further public criticism Jeffries is ready to say that he can get back to his old ring form, that he will make a match with Johnson for the championship of the world and that he will knock the big colored man out, too.

"I am going to fight this fellow Johnson," said Jeffries confidentially to a certain man Tuesday night, "and what is more, I'm going to knock his block off. I have been stalling because we thought that we could keep up the public's interest in my theatrical exhibition, but now I am getting ready to say that I can get fit and that I'll fight again to recover the heavyweight title for the white race. I am going to keep on training moderately until after my theatrical engagements and then I'll begin the real hard work."

Jeffries informed several friends yesterday that he weighed 255 pounds and that he would be able to take off thirty pounds and be in old time form by next fall. It is believed that Jeffries and Johnson will fight in San Francisco, perhaps in December. When Johnson arrives here in a few days, it is said, the big match will be agreed to, barring the location of the battleground, which will depend upon who are the highest bidders. Hugh D. McIntosh stands ready to offer a $50,000 purse for the mill, while James Coffroth of Colma, Cal., has already secured Johnson's agreement to meet Jeffries before his club. Jeffries says that an offer of $100,000 from several Seattle promoters looks especially good to him. In the negotiations for a match, however, it must be remembered that Johnson as champion will have much to say before articles can be signed.

Sam Berger, Jeffries's sparring partner, said yesterday that the big fellow would fight Johnson probably next fall, and that the negro would be knocked out. Berger seemed to think that as soon as Johnson found that Jeff was really in earnest he'd develop his supposed "yellow streak" of which Burns talked so glibly but which did not show for an instant during the battle at Sydney.

It is understood that ever since Johnson arrived in British Columbia from Australia Jeffries has been boiling inwardly because of the negro's chatter. Jeff does not relish Johnson' crack that he can beat the boilermaker as easily as he trimmed Burns and that as a matter of fact Jeffries dodged a challenge from him four years ago by drawing the color line after Johnson had knocked the big Californian's brother Jack out in five rounds. It is also a fact that Jeffries has been gradually weakening under the pressure of the oft repeated query: "Jim, are you going to fight Johnson?" If Jeffries declined to meet the negro he believes that many persons would accuse him of cowardice, something hitherto unknown in Big Jim's makeup.

MOTOR BOAT RACES.

Buffalo Courier Tied With the Bruiser at Lake Worth.

PALM BEACH, Fla., March 17.—The Buffalo Cortier, the eight cylinder motor boat entered by William J. Conners of Buffalo, tied with the Bruiser in the nine mile race at the Palm Beach power boat tournament on Lake Worth this afternoon. The red painted craft, which had to give generous handicaps to the other boats in the event, came gliding over the finishing mark fully a quarter of a mile ahead of the Bruiser, belonging to George Gingras.

From almost the crack of the gun, which sent the Buffalo off last in the contest, it began to overtake the other boats, and just after making the second turn, half the distance of the race, which was nine miles, it passed the Trente-Sept and then soon began to pass the other opponents.

The official figures showed that the time made by the Buffalo Courier exceeded her handicap 54 seconds, while the Bruiser exceeded her handicap by one second, making the boats a tie. The race will be run over between them to-morrow.

Mr. Conners, owner of the Buffalo Courier, threatened to withdraw his craft this morning, owing to the handicap it was compelled to give the other boats. However he started his boat in the eleven and a half mile race for boats of all lengths. In this it failed to be among the leaders, and the event went to the Bruiser, with the Trente-Sept, also owned by Mr. Gingras, second. The Messenger, belonging to Capt. George L. Andrews, was third.

The Hobo, which finished first in the contest for boats under 32 feet, was disqualified for crossing the line ahead of time, first prize, therefore, going to the Trente-Sept. The latter boat was again fortunate in getting first in the race for all lengths by the Bruiser exceeding her handicap 25 seconds, putting her back to second place. The summaries:

4½ MILES—BOATS UNDER 12 MILE SPEED.

Boat and Owner.	Start. H. M. S.	Finish. H. M. S.
Winifred, Louis S. Clark	10 40 00	11 11 57
Carita, James A. Clarke	10 47 17	11 13 20

4½ MILES—BOATS UNDER 32 FEET.

Trente Sept, George Gingras	11 10 13	11 23 46		
Flying Fish, Hugh L. Willoughby, Jr.	11 03 03	11 23 54		
Messenger, Capt. George E. Andrews	11 00 00	11 23 59½		
Kitty Sparks II., Charles Furthmann	11 06 35	11 24 14		
Possum, Lieut. H. L. Willoughby	11 03 12	11 25 53		
Dennisson III., Christopher Gallagher	11 03 50	11 26 04		
*Nebo, G. M. Marshall	11 02 04	11 23 59½		

*Finished first, but disqualified for crossing line ahead of time.

4½ MILES—BOATS OF ALL LENGTHS.

*Bruiser, George Gingras	11 38 40	11 53 23	
Trente Sept, George Gingras	11 40 13	11 53 43	
Messenger, Capt. George E. Andrews	11 30 00	11 54 03	
Flying Fish, Hugh L. Willoughby	11 33 03	11 54 14	
Buffalo Courier, W. J. Conners	11 51 11	11 54 37	

*Exceeded handicap 25 seconds.

9 MILES—BOATS OF ALL LENGTHS.

*Buffalo Courier, W. J. Conners	3 23 00	3 46 22	
†Bruiser, George Gingras	3 18 08	3 47 16	
Flying Fish, Hugh L. Willoughby	3 06 06	3 47 25	
Trente-Sept, George Gingras	3 20 38	3 48 04	
Kitty Sparks III., Charles Furthmann	3 13 10	3 48 43	
Messenger, Capt. George E. Andrews	3 24 39	3 48 59	

*Exceeded handicap 54 seconds.
†Exceeded handicap 1 second.

Crescent A. C. Committees.

The board of governors of the Crescent Athletic Club have appointed the committees and sub-committees for the many departments of sport in which the club is interested. The standing committees are:

Investigating—Edgar J. Williams, chairman; Frank Freeman, James L. Halley.

Finance Committee—Campbell C. Brun, chairman; Paul E. Bonner.

Membership Committee—Charles M. Bull, chairman; Frank Otto Afeld, Jr., Paul Bonyngé.

House Committee—Alfred D. Byrne, chairman; Alex F. Crichton, Edward S. Hawes.

Athletic Committee—Benjamin A. Kelley, chairman; Leonard Brooks, Robert J. Bell, M. D., Charles I. de Bevoise, Henry Escher, Jr.

Sub-committees of house committee have the following chairmen:

Entertainment, Alex F. Crichton; art and library, Edward S. Hawes; billiard and pool, Alfred D. Byrne; bowling, Charles M. Bull; chess, Paul E. Bonner.

The sub-committees of the athletic committee have the following chairmen:

Grounds, Benjamin A. Kelley; lacrosse, Benjamin A. Kelley; hockey, James L. Halley; baseball, Leonard Brooks; squash, Leonard Brooks; tennis, Leonard Brooks; rowing, Robert J. Bell; association football, Benjamin A. Kelly; basketball, Robert J. Bell; gymnasium and swimming pool, Robert J. Bell; golf, Henry Escher, Jr.; lawn bowling, Alexander F. Crichton; trap shooting, Charles I. De Bevoise; rifle and revolver range, Charles I. De Bevoise; yachting, Henry Escher, Jr.; cricket, Robert J. Bell; fencing, Alexander F. Crichton; rugby football, Robert J. Bell; transportation, Edgar J. Williams.

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BROOKLYNS GOING SOME.

Nearly Shut Out Jacksonville, South Atlantic League Champions.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., March 17.—Brooklyn came within one run of shutting out the strong South Atlantic League champions here this afternoon in an exhibition game, the score being Brooklyn, 7; Jacksonville, 1.

Manager Lumley sent in a pair of portsiders in the first six innings, Hunter succeeding Jimmy Pastorous. Big George Bell pitched the last three innings, during which time the locals made their lone tally. George Hunter gave the best exhibition from the middle of the diamond. He showed splendid form and several of the Sally leaguers were retired on strikes.

The game was practically won in the opening chapter, when the National Leaguers pried off the lid by scoring four runs. Little McMillen woke up the spectators by making a clean single in the first inning and reaching second on Alperman's out at first. Hummel followed with another safe drive, scoring Brooklyn's diminutive shortstop. Tim Jordan's rival for first base promptly stole second and reached third on Sebring's out. Manager Lumley drove the ball to the riverfront in centre field, scoring Hummel ahead of him. Burch doubled to centre, and on Lennox's single to centre and throw home of the ball Brooklyn's blond fielder scored the Superba's fourth run. Another run was chalked up in the second and a brace of tallies for the Brooklynites followed in the sixth.

The morning game between the Irish and the Germans on the team was an easy victory for the latter by a score of 8 to 2. Tom Daly had Scanlon and McIntyre on the firing line, while the Germans pinned their faith to Rucker and Kaiser Wilhelm.

The score:

JACKSONVILLE.	AB.	H.	P.	A.	E.	BROOKLYN.	AB.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Wagner,lf.	5	0	4	0	0	McMillen,ss.	4	2	2	1	1
Taffee,cf,c.	5	1	2	2	0	Alprm'n,2b.	1	0	1	1	0
Beckel,cf.	1	0	0	0	0	Pattee,2b.	2	0	0	3	0
Bierc'te,2b.	3	1	3	5	0	Hummel,lb.	2	2	3	0	1
Kerr,ss.	2	0	1	2	2	Marshall,lb.	2	0	4	1	0
Brown,3b.	3	0	1	0	0	Sebring,cf.	4	1	0	0	0
Bristol,1b.	4	1	10	1	0	Lumley,rf.	2	1	0	0	0
Roth,c.	1	0	2	0	0	Kustus,rf.	2	0	0	0	0
Hendrix,rf.	3	0	1	0	0	Burch,lf.	2	1	1	0	0
St.Johns,p.	2	0	0	3	0	Catterson,lf.	2	1	0	0	0
Breiten'n,p.	2	1	0	1	0	Lennox,3b.	2	1	0	2	1
						McIlveen,3b.	2	0	3	1	0
Total.	31	4	24	14	2	Bergen,c.	1	0	5	0	0
						Dunn,c.	3	1	6	1	1
						Pastorius,p.	1	0	1	0	0
						Hunter,p.	1	1	0	0	0
						Bell,p.	2	0	1	0	0
						Total.	35	12	27	11	4

Jacksonville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	—1
Brooklyn	4	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	—	—7

Runs—Jacksonville—Biercote, 1. Brooklyn—McMillen, 1; Hummel, 1; Lumley, 1; Burch, 1; Catterson, 1; Dunn, 1; Pastorius, 1. Two base hits—Sebring, Burch. Three base hit—Hummel. Home run—Lumley. Hits—Off Pastorius, 3 in three innings; off Hunter, 0 in three innings; off Bell, 1 in three innings; off St. Johns, 8 in four inning. Sacrifice hits—Kerr, Hendrix, McMillen, Alperman. Stolen bases—Taffee, Kerr, Hummel, Hunter. Double play—Taffee and Roth. Left on bases—Jacksonville, 7; Brooklyn, 6. First base on balls—Off Pastorius, 2; off Hunter, 1; off Bell, 3. First base on errors—Jacksonville, 3; Brooklyn, 1. Struck out—By Pastorius, 1; by Hunter, 3; by Bell, 2; by St. Johns, 1; by Breitenstein, 1. Passed ball—Roth. Wild pitch—Breitenstein. Balk—Pastorius. Umpire—Setley. Time—1 hour and 40 minutes.

BOWMAN FENCES WELL.

Leads in Preliminary Bouts for President's Medals.

The preliminary bouts for the president's medals of the Amateur Fencers League at foils and duelling swords were held at the New York A. C. last night. The bouts in the sabres were held over and will be fenced with the finals of the foils and duelling swords in a couple of weeks. As far as the contest went W. L. Bowman of the New York A. C. quit in the lead with ten bouts, having suffered no defeat in either foils or duelling swords. A. V. Z. Post and G. O. Breed of the Fencers Club were tied for second place with 8 wins and 2 lost. Post, who has been absent from New York for a few years, is again at his favorite sport and as spry as ever.

The entries:

New York A. C.—F. J. Byrne, C. Bill, Dr. Adams, W. L. Bowman, Victor Curte.

Fencers' Club—Dr. G. A. Lawrence, A. V. Z. Post, George O. Breed.

New York Turn Verein—G. W. Postgate, F. Straus.

Italian Fencers' Club—J. Menna and G. Bartoli.

International Fencers' Club—G. Conti.

Thirteen contestants were divided into two strips and in the foils which began the play of the night W. L. Bawman showed his agility by winning three bouts in succession. The runnerup in this strip was Gatana Conti of the International Fencers Club, who won three. There was a good lively setto when Bowman and Conti faced each other and for the first two minutes honors were about even. Bowman exercised better judgment in the second half and his rapier found the chest of the Italian with more accuracy and he finally won by 8 touches to 5. Bowman won all five bouts and led on his strip, with Conti second, having four wins.

On strip No. 2 George Breed of the Fencers Club did good work by winning six bouts, the runnerup being Dr. G. A. Lawrence, who won two, but lost to Byrne, who also had two wins early in the sortie. A. V. Z. Post won four, but went down before Breed. Dr. G. A. Lawrence pulled out well toward the finish by defeating Post, a win which caused some surprise among those present. This left Post and Lawrence tied for second place, both with 4 bouts won and two lost.

FOIL SCORE.

	W.	L.		W.	L.
Breed	6	0	Byrne	4	2
Bowman	5	0	Straus	3	2
Conti	4	1	Postgate	2	3
Lawence	4	2	Menna	1	5
Post	4	2	Curtis	0	4

In the preliminary bout of the duelling swords Bowman showed to advantage on strip No. 1 by winning five straight bouts. Conti and Straus were a tie for second with three bouts won and two lost. Post was the best man on strip No. 2 with four wins, and Breed, who did so well in the foils, fared badly.

DUELLING SWORD SCORE.

	W.	L.		W.	L.
Bowman	5	0	Bill	2	3
Post	4	1	Menna	2	3
Conti	3	2	Byrne	1	4
Straus	3	2	Postgate	1	4
Breed	2	3	Bartoli	1	4
Lawrence	2	3	Adams	0	5

N. Y. U. Crew Work.

The New York University crew candidates show signs of steady improvement. The first eight is handicapped by the illness of two of last year's crew. Alan More, No. 4, and V. Auffant, No. 3, are the men on the sick list. Their places have been filled for the present by second boat men. The squad is gaining recruits every day. As soon as warmer weather sets in it is expected that thirty men will be on hand regularly. Yesterday the men rowed over the Harlem River course several times. They followed the stroke better and the blade work was a little smoother. As yet the catch is far from snappy. The biting wind, however, yesterday was responsible for a stiffness in getting the blades away quickly.

Judges for the Durland Show.

In addition to the regular classes at the eighteenth annual Durland horse show, April 20, 21 and 22, there will be an exhibition drill by the First Battery, N. G. N. Y., under command of Lieut. Frank B. Barrett, and also special classes for trotters under saddle and branded ponies. These judges are announced: Trotters under saddle, Frederick Gerken, Deal, N. J.; Arabians, J. A. P. Ramsdell, Newburgh, N. Y.; hunters and jumpers, C. F. Hart, W. S. Elliott and Louis E. Waring, Plainfield, N. J.; saddle classes, W. P. Eno, Washington, D. C.; Samuel W. Taylor and C. A. Benton; military chargers, Capt. Guy V. Henry, U. S. A., West Point, N. Y.

Langford Beats Barry.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., March 17.—Sam Langford of Boston, who aspires to take Jack Johnson's scalp, was entitled to the decision at the end of the six rounds with Jim Barry of Chicago in the windup at the Washington Sporting Club to-night. While Barry made a good showing and had the crowd cheering wildly at the finish, had Langford taken advantage of the many openings Barry made in many of the rounds the sixth round should never had seen them in action. Langford was painfully slow when there was a real good chance to wallop Barry, but remarkably fast when Barry was covered up.

Pool.

A. Cutler defeated J. Tobin in a pool match at the Nassau pool parlors yesterday. Cutler won by a score of 100 to 80.

In the amateur pool tournament at Doyle's academy last night Albert Coreyll defeated Richard Tovar by a score of 60 to 58. By winning last night Coreyll tied for first place with Ed Gilmore. They will play the tie game off to-night.

In the championship pool tournament at the New York A. C. W. A. Tilt defeated J. W. Becker last night by a score of 100 to 83. In the second game C. A. Gamble defeated T. A. Plunkett by a score of 100 to 41. If Tilt and Gamble win to-night they will be tied and the final game will be played to-morrow night.

For connoisseurs

Dewar's

The Whisky

GOLF.

Varied Ideas About the Lesley Cup Dates—Play at Pinehurst.

As matters look now President Morgan of the Metropolitan Golf Association will have to choose the dates for the Lesley cup intercity matches this fall. The teams will meet at the White Marsh Valley Country Club course and the details under the deed of gift are always arranged by the presidents of the three associations concerned. The Philadelphians have asked for October 15 and 16, the week after the women's championship at Merion, but the specific reason is that the ratification of the newly organized Pennsylvania Golf Association will not be held until October 11, and it is desired to wait for the merger to please a couple of Pittsburg golfers on the team. President Windeler of the Massachusetts Golf Association has expressed a wish to have the matches on October 1 and 2. President Morgan has the deciding vote, or he may name new dates as a compromise. The Montclair Golf Glub has claimed October 14, 15 and 16 for an open tournament, but if the last two are taken for the intercity matches the New Jersey tournament will be put forward to September 30, October 1 and 2.

The Transmississippi championship will be held at the Des Moines Golf and Country Club July 13-17. The Des Moines golfers are planning for an open professional tournament in which the first prize will be of $1,000 and the aggregate $5,000.

PINEHURST, N. C., March 17.—One hundred and seventy-three players started in to-day's qualification round of the fifth annual spring tournament, a record which surpassed even the annual St. Valentine's tournament. Eight divisions of sixteen each qualified and a special event will provide for the overflow. The race for the gold medal offered for the best qualification score was keen. C. L. Becker of Woodland