CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

BOXING PROMOTERS FEAR A NEW BILL AT ALBANY.

Declare There Is No Reason for Adverse Legislation and Will Go Ahead With Plans—Langford to Tackle Kubiak—Shrubb and St. Yves Match.

Promoters of local boxing clubs were visibly disturbed yesterday when they learned that Gov. Hughes might have a bill introduced in the Legislature to prohibit sparring contests in the presence of "members." But they said that in no other way could the sport be suppressed. They declared that they had been sustained by the courts and that in no way had they violated the Lewis law, which was passed in 1900 and repealed the old Horton law. They stated also that they would go ahead with their present plans and would simply exercise increased vigilance in admitting new applicants to membership. It was said that if an anti-boxing bill should be introduced it would be framed to make the payments to boxers for services illegal.

District Attorney Jerome said yesterday that boxing could be suppressed by the passage of a law limiting the attendance at sparring matches to twenty-five persons. It was reported that Police Commissioner Bingham had notified Gov. Hughes that because of injunctions it was impossible to break up the fighting game and that adverse legislation was desired.

The Fairmont and Marathon athletic clubs have bouts scheduled for next week, the former putting Al Kaufman and Tony Ross on for ten rounds next Tuesday night, while it is probable that the National A. C. in East Twenty-fourth street will soon be reopened under new management. The promoters of these clubs say that the bouts held in the past have been harmless and have not been prizefights, that evenly matched contestants in a majority of cases have indulged in scientific exhibitions with big gloves and that no serious injuries have been inflicted, that there has been no disorder of any kind and that the sport has been patronized by many reputable citizens. For that reason the promoters and the followers of the manly art here cannot understand why they should be handicapped by legislation, which, they insist, is not backed up by popular clamor.

Sam Langford is fighting as often as possible just now, prior to his departure for England on April 21. He has been matched to box six rounds with Al Kubiak, the Michigan giant, in Philadelphia on Saturday night. Kubiak, who is a six footer and weighs 200 pounds, was climbing the ladder rapidly until Sandy Ferguson of Boston put him to sleep recently. If Langford knocks Kubiak out it will further strengthen the belief that the Boston negro middleweight is a match for Johnson, Kaufman or Ketchel.

When Langford reaches London he will have a chance to fight somebody without delay. Ian Hague, a new English heavyweight, has been matched to fight Gunner Moir for the title at the National Sporting Club on April 19. If Hague wins he will tackle Langford probably on May 3, the date set for the latter's bout with Jack Johnson. If Moir is the victor, however, he will draw the color line on Langford, who will then go after Joe Jeannette, Sam McVey, Willie Lewis or anybody else who may care to take a chance with him.

Several persons were insisting yesterday that Jeffries had made up his mind to fight Johnson, but they said that the big boilermaker was bound by the terms of his theatrical contract not to sign articles or post a forfeit for a match with the negro until after July 24, when Jeff's engagement expires. But they did not explain why Jeffries refuses to say orally whether he intends to fight again or not—a comparatively easy thing for him to do if he really means business. But no matter what Jeffries may do in the near future, it may be said that Johnson has passed him up. The big negro so far has shown no inclination to accept the challenge of either Kaufman or Ketchel, but when Promoter James Coffroth of Frisco arrives here in a few days there may be some developments. Coffroth wants to arrange a match between Jeffries and Johnson, to be pulled off at Colma on July 4, but in view of the present physical condition of Jeffries such a match seems to be out of the question. If Coffroth cannot arrange this bout he will try for a Ketchel-Johnson mill, as he regards Ketchel as a better drawing card on the Coast than Kaufman. The winner of a bout between Ketchel and Johnson, in Coffroth's opinion, would be in time then for a mill with Jeffries in the fall or early winter.

As Moran has failed to cover a $500 forfeit posted by Abe Attell, the latter says he will take McFarland on for ten rounds at 133 pounds at 6 o'clock. It is just possible that Attell is bluffing, for the reason that McFarland refused to make a match with Moran recently unless the weight was 135 pounds at 3 o'clock.

On good authority it was learned yesterday that the gross receipts from the Marathon Derby at the Polo Grounds on Saturday was $38,000. It appears that the New York Baseball Club assumed all risks and guaranteed $15,000 for expenses, which included the $10,000 purse. It was understood that expenses in excess of this amount were to be shared by Messrs. Powers and Pollok, who simply promoted the match; also that the net receipts were to be divided on a 50 per cent. basis. In this way it is said that the club and the promoters divided about $23,000 equally. Powers and Pollok said yesterday that they might arrange a match between Shrubb and St. Yves at fifteen miles just as soon as the men had enjoyed a good rest. Shrubb is anxious to meet the wonderful Frenchman at this distance, and the latter, like Barkis, is willing.

Promoter Pollok says that the seating capacity at the Polo Grounds is 31,400, allowing sixteen inches of space for each seat in the open stands. The new improvements at the Brush stadium are coming in for some criticism because of the fact that there is now only one exit from the grand stand, over the new elevated runway to the 155th street L station. Formerly it was possible for grand stand patrons to get out of the enclosure across the play field to the Eighth avenue gates. It is also said that the exits from the open stands in centre field are inadequate. By the way, rumor has it that there will be no more 25 cent seats at the Polo Grounds; that the admission to the open stands extending around the outfield from first and third bases will be 50 cents; that it will cost 75 cents to occupy the seats in the old bleachers back of these two bases, while the grand stand prices will be $1, $1.50 and $2. In other words, New York fans are asked to pay an increased tariff to see McGraw's men play championship ball, which, according to Brush and Knowles, is a foregone conclusion.

Unless there is official interference Jersey City fans will enjoy Sunday ball games at home this season. Last Sunday nearly 4,000 persons saw the Jersey City team play the Philadelphia Nationals. There was no disorder of any kind and the outing was much enjoyed. In view of the fact that there is no interference with Sunday games at Newark, Paterson, Hoboken, Elizabeth and other Jersey towns it is believed that there will be no effective crusade against the sport in Jersey City, where the Eastern League club needs such support to keep alive.

The old hoodoo which has been following the New York Americans ever since the club was first started here seems to be in existence just the same, judging from the unfortunate illness of Hal Chase. Manager Stallings and President Farrell have been working on the presence of Chase to increase the playing strength of the Highlanders, but with the star first sacker on the hospital list it looks as if the team would be severely handicapped when the American League season opens in Washington next Tuesday. Will somebody discover the hoodoo?

Gould Cup for Race to Cornfield Light.

Howard Gould has through the Manhasset Bay Yacht Club offered a cup for a race over a long course on the Sound, and this trophy will be raced for this summer. If the regatta committee can arrange it the race will be sailed some time in June. The Manhasset Bay Club has in former years held a race to Stratford Shoal lightship and back, which has always proved to be an interesting one and well patronized by yachtsmen. The race for the Howard Gould cup will take the place of this race and the course will be to and around Cornfield lightship and back, a distance of 142 nautical miles. It will be for yachts in racing trim, 40 feet rating and under, that have cabins or watertight cockpits.

RACE FOR SAPORTAS.

Braggart Wins French Steeplechase for American Owner.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

SAINT OUEN, France, April 6.—The Prix L'Ariege, steeplechase, 4,000 francs, 3,400 meters, was won to-day by George Saportas's Braggart, Kermath up. Debire's Queen Ascots, Rolfe, was second. Fitz-James's Hyrcanie, Cartwright, was third. Eight horses ran.

The hurdle race for the Prix Piscaye, 3,000 francs, 2,800 meters, was won by Lemaroi's Serin Vert, Heath up. Lienart's Telamon, Aleck Carter, was second. Merle's Pont Trambouze, Chapman, was third. Fifteen horses ran. Saportas's Rajny Hours did not start.

The Prix Navarre, hurdle race, 3,000 francs, 3,100 meters, was won by Debire's Tinto, Carter up. De Nexon's Lady Douglass, Heath, was second. Thiebaux's Taidoun, Woodland, was third. Fourteen horses ran. Saportas's Cyclone, Gale and Banyah did not start.

The Prix Naurouze, steeplechase, 4,000 francs, 3,800 meters, was won by Lienart's Patricien, Carter up. Count Lair's Monte Cristo, Holt, was second. Sampori's Choisy le Roi, Parfrement, was third. Five horses ran. Saportas's Alfar was unplaced.

The Prix Azar, steeplechase, 10,000 francs, 4,100 meters, was won by Lienart's Sosthene, Carter up. Kleni's Choral, Chapman, was second. Lazard's Lorlipette was third. Fifteen horses ran. Saportas's Alfar did not start.

The Prix Bearn, hurdle race, 4,000 francs, 2,800 meters, was won by Ber's Sylvaire. Brossatte's Aureole was second. De Vaillac's Cordon Bleu was third. Fourteen horses ran. Saportas's Banyah did not get a place.

RACING IN ENGLAND.

August Belmont's Burgman Unplaced for Robin Hood Plate.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN.

NOTTINGHAM, England, April 6.—The Bentinck Maiden Plate, 106 sovereigns, for maidens at time of closing, one mile and a half and a few yards, was won to-day by W. M. Cazalet's Rabchick; R. Mills's Le Viso, ridden by Maher, was second; Capt. J. G. R. Homfray's Coiffeur was third. Only these three horses ran. The betting was 4 to 1 against Rabchick, 4 to 5 on Le Viso and 5 to 2 against Coiffeur.

The Newark Plate, handicap, of 300 sovereigns, for three-year-olds and upward, straight mile, was won by F. S. Barnard's Kaffir Chief, J. H. Martin up. Mr. Kirkwall's St. Magnus was second. Sir R. Waldie Griffith's Ednam was third. Nine horses ran. A length and a half separated the first and second and second and third horses. The betting was 3 to 1 against Kaffir Chief, 4 to 1 against St. Magnus and 100 to 7 against Ednam.

The Wilford Selling Plate, 106 sovereigns, for two-year-olds, four furlongs, was won by C. V. Tabor's Mary B. Mrs. Loates's Cavallo was second. G. Schillizzi's Galinos, Martin up, was third. Eleven horses ran, among them H. de C. Forbes's Mrs. Dot, an American horse.

The race for the Robin Hood Plate, 106 sovereigns, for two-year-olds, four furlongs, was won by R. R. Jeffrey's Fair Dart. Sol Joel's Split was second. F. W. Gresvolde-Williams's Chitana was third. Eleven horses ran. August Belmont's Burgman, ridden by Martin, was unplaced. The betting was 5 to 6 on Fair Dart, 15 to 8 against Split and 20 to 1 against Chitana.

COURT TENNIS.

Dr. Derby Defeats J. A. L. Blake in Championship Tourney.

BOSTON, April 6.—Through the default of J. H. Morgan of New York and by defeating J. A. L. Blake of this city to-day Dr. C. S. Derby of Boston reached the final round of the amateur court tennis championship tournament being played at the Tennis and Racquet Club. Dr. Derby will play the winner of the Joshua Crane-Foxhall P. Keene match, which comes to-morrow afternoon, in the final round on Thursday. On Saturday the winner of the final will meet Jay Gould for the championship.

The default of Mr. Morgan upset the tournament play considerably, as it allowed Mr. Blake and Dr. Derby to settle the question of supremacy a day ahead of the schedule. The match was a good one to witness, Dr. Derby winning by the scores of 6—4, 4—6, 6—5, 6—5. The visitor began the match in a rush and took the first set so handily that it looked like a runaway, but in the second Mr. Blake showed good form and won out. The fourth and fifth sets were won by Dr. Derby only after strenuous work, in which he demonstrated just enough superiority to get the necessary points.

FERGUSON WINS ON FOUL.

Little Science in Ten Round Bout at Boston With Jim Barry.

BOSTON, April 6.—Sandy Ferguson of Chelsea won on a foul from Jim Barry of Chicago in the tenth round of their bout at the Armory A. A. to-night. The affair was a poor one, neither man showing science. Barry sank some hard rights into Ferguson's body and whipped the left to the face wickedly on several occasions. The Chelsea man sent in several hard rights to Barry's jaw. In the second round Barry caught his opponent off his balance and knocked him completely through the ropes with a left hook to the neck.

The tenth round was the only real one in the bout. They both landed with both hands to face and body frequently. Sandy put over a right to the jaw that rocked Barry's head, but the latter came back strongly and drove the local boy to the ropes with lefts and hard rights to the body. They clinched, wrestled and fell to the floor, with Barry underneath. The latter was on his feet first and as Sandy remained on one knee with the referee counting off the seconds Barry uppercut his opponent lightly on the jaw. Sandy arose and as they rushed together Barry hit two low blows and lost the bout.

GIRLS WELCOME WESTON.

Nine Brave a Thunderstorm to Greet Veteran Pedestrian.

WOOSTER, Ohio, April 6.—Encountering a thunderstorm so severe as to compel him to wait ninety minutes in the Hotel Conrad, Massillon, this morning, Edward Payson Weston trudged into Wooster on his New York to Frisco tramp at 5:30 this evening, having covered thirty-eight miles from Canton since 6:40 in the morning. From Canton he was accompanied by Fred Rex, a pedestrian, and from Massillon, thirty-two miles, by a fourteen-year-old boy, Lloyd Wampler. The boy held to the pace all the way.

The veteran spoke to-night on "Sane Athletics" and will leave in the morning for Ashland and Mansfield. He expects to rest in the latter town to-morrow night, in Fremont Thursday and in Toledo Friday. In Toledo he desires to talk with Mayor Brand Whitlock, whom he admires.

A crowd gathered three miles east of Massillon to welcome Weston, who came into sight just as a thunder storm broke. Nine girls from Mount Maria Convent welcomed the veteran, braving the storm.

SQUASH.

Clark in Final of Harvard Club Championship.

In two smashing games Grenvill Clark, the playing through champion, yesterday won his place in the final and championship round of the squash tournament on the court of the Harvard Club. Clark, who has held national honors at the game, secured his place by defeating the young expert Donald Scott 15—1 and 15—0. The latter from start to finish was literally smothered. Clark made the pace a hard and fast one from the opening service and rally. It was far too severe for Scott. Try as he would he could not get his shots to work against the strokes and strategy which his more experienced opponent brought against him. The play was lively but one sided, as Clark raced the match through to the end, Scott getting only a single ace.

Upon the opposing bracket Malcolm D. Whitman holds his place, and the two will meet early next week for the title and trophy. So far in match play this season Whitman, the undefeated national lawn tennis champion of a few years ago, has achieved an enviable reputation, as he has not lost a match.

No Polo at Washington.

After having claimed the dates of May 8 to 15 for a tournament at the annual meeting of the Polo Association the Washington, D. C., Polo Club has now announced that it is impossible to carry out the proposed plans. There has been considerable play during the winter at Southern resorts, but the regular tournaments will not begin until May 17 at the Country Club of Westchester. The Squadron A tournament will follow at Van Cortlandt Park on May 24 to 29, the first time this has not been a fall fixture.

BRIGHTON BEACH DEFIANT

"RACING DATES AMUSING," SAYS LAWYER HYDE FOR ENGEMAN.

Right of Jockey Club's Stewards to Dictate Disputed and a Meeting in August May Result—Dwyer May Race at Aqueduct Instead of Gravesend.

The announcement of the racing dates by the Jockey Club's stewards yesterday and the fact that the metropolitan season will open at Belmont Park on May 13 caused a feeling of general satisfaction among horsemen all over the country, who had been led to believe that when the Agnew-Hart law was passed last June the racing game had hereabout been killed for all time. On the face of it the various racing associations, with the approval of the stewards, has decided to experiment by scheduling meetings up to August 28, the close of the season at Saratoga, but whether the sport will be continued in the fall depends, it is said, entirely on the amount of patronage the racing public bestows upon the sport meanwhile. While the schedule as it stands calls for continuous racing from May 13 to August 28, it is also said that it is entirely optional with each track as to the number of days to be used each week, the impression being that there will not be more than four a week on the local tracks and perhaps five at Saratoga.

The publication of the dates, however, caused two interesting facts which were entirely unexpected to come to the surface yesterday. One was the apparent unwillingness of the Brighton Beach Racing Association to be ridden over rough shod, while the other was the probable shift of the Brooklyn Jockey Club's operations from Gravesend to the better equipped Aqueduct track. The attitude of the Brighton Beach track, as set forth by Charles H. Hyde, attorney for William A. Engeman, would seem to indicate that there may be serious friction.

"The schedule of racing dates is amusing to us," said Mr. Hyde yesterday afternoon. "They have been compiled by the Jockey Club stewards entirely without our approval. In fact we have not been invited to attend any of the conferences of the other track owners, nor have we been asked for an expression of opinion, yet the Brighton Beach Racing Association, together with the Westchester Racing Association, the Coney Island Jockey Club and the Brooklyn Jockey Club, is an incorporated member of the Jockey Club, having been admitted to the charmed circle last year.

"Mr. Engeman has turned his racetrack interests over to me and I would like to say that if we decide to hold a race meeting at Brighton this year we will conduct it in accordance with the provisions of the law governing the turf in this State, which legalizes racing for forty days at any one track between April 15 and November 15. There is no law which gives the power to the Jockey Club to say when and how many days the Brighton track can race. We have been racing at the Beach for many years and we are operating under a charter from the State. Just so long as we pay our State racing tax and make good our obligations to the horsemen, which we intend to do very shortly, the State Racing Commission cannot withhold a license from us any more than from James Butler's Empire City track, which got a license two years ago upon a decision by the Court of Appeals.

"According to the schedules of dates I see that the month of July, or that part of it which Brighton has used in past years, has been handed over to Empire City, so that if Brighton decides to race the month of August will be an excellent time for a meeting at the Beach because of the fact that there is no racing in the metropolitan district and there are many horsemen here who remain idle during the Saratoga meeting, scheduled for that time. As the Jockey Club stewards have apparently ignored Brighton, you can say that if we decide to race—and it looks now as if we will—Brighton will go ahead with a meeting that will have the sanction of the State and will be conducted strictly in accordance with the law. We have rights in this matter and we intend to protect them."

Nobody connected with the Jockey Club would discuss the Brighton track's attitude yesterday, but it was said that the Beach had been omitted from the schedule because the fall meeting last year was called off, the stakes for the summer meeting were cancelled and after that session more than $35,000 in unpaid purses was claimed by the horsemen.

While no official statement was obtainable, it was said on excellent authority that P. J. Dwyer, who controls both the Brooklyn and Queens County Jockey clubs, has practically decided to keep the Gravesend track closed and transfer the Brooklyn Jockey Club's operations to Aqueduct, which is a superior racing plant in every way. Furthermore, Aqueduct is located in Queens county, while Gravesend is in Kings, where it is believed Assistant District Attorney Robert H. Elder is ready to resume his vigorous crusade against racing and speculation. If Dwyer makes this shift the only racing in Kings county will be at Sheepshead Bay, where the Coney Island Jockey Club ran a fall meeting last year absolutely free from betting and increased its losses for the year to $500,000. Belmont Park is in Nassau county, where there was very little trouble during the fall meeting last season, while Empire City is in Westchester county, where numerous arrests were made last summer at the instance of District Attorney Winslow. The fact that the charges against Sheriff Bradley of Saratoga county have gone up in smoke is taken to mean that there will not be much cause for worry or annoyance at the Spa in August.

Last fall THE SUN printed the fact that the Jamaica track would not have any more racing, which was promptly denied by W. H. Reynolds, president of the Metropolitan Jockey Club. Jamaica is not scheduled for a meeting of any kind so far, but it was said yesterday that if the other tracks broke even there might be a fall session at the "Sullivan track." But if such should prove to be the case it is believed that the venture would be without the financial backing of Big Tim Sullivan and several close friends who are stockholders in the plant.

Having settled upon the dates, the racing associations will now lose no time in preparing a list of stakes to attract entries from all classes of horsemen. It is expected that the overnight purses will, with few exceptions, exceed $500 in value, while $1,000 will be about the average purse added to the stake events. It is possible that if the Brooklyn and Suburban handicaps are run the added money may amount to $3,000 in each instance, while the same may be said of the Metropolitan Handicap at Belmont Park, which will probably be the feature of the opening day. As THE SUN stated yesterday, expenses will be reduced all along the line and the free list will be practically abolished.

It is reported that the racetrack owners are not opposed to Senator Agnew's bill which prohibits the publication of odds and tips by newspapers in this State. It is believed that if this bill is passed it will be difficult to show that there is any betting at the tracks and that as the poolrooms and handbooks will be killed off the attendance at the tracks will be materially increased. The legal status of betting at the tracks is a matter of great importance just now. So far these decisions have been handed down affecting speculation on the races:

By the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court: Oral betting with a cash payment after each race is legal when indulged in by individuals, with alleged bookmakers barred.

By the Appellate Division: The sale of advance information slips containing the names of starters and jockeys together with weights, overweights and corrections is legal.

By Justice Maddox of the Supreme Court: It is legal to accept unlimited wagers and display odds, provided bets are not recorded.

By Justice Gaynor of the Supreme Court: It is legal for individuals to make wagers, orally or in cash, to record them and to pay them.

By the Court of Special Sessions, Justice Hoyt presiding: It is not a violation of the law to make a cash wager and a record of the same to be handed to another person to be placed at the track.

Racetrack attorneys say that a combination of these decisions makes it legal for a bettor to make a wager with a former bookmaker and hand over a record of the same upon which the transaction can be settled after a race. It is understood that the latter condition will be made to govern speculation in due time, as the Agnew-Hart law does not apply in any way to the man who makes a bet, only to the one who accepts a wager and records the same.

Fleet Captain Cuthbert.

Commodore Frank J. Gould of the Seawanhaka Corinthian Yacht Club has appointed Robert L. Cuthbert fleet captain.

NEW YACHTS.

Many Building, Including an Auxiliary Sloop for E. F. Hutton.

Williard F. Howns of Bay Shore is building two Gielow designed yachts. One is an auxiliary sloop for E. F. Hutton, the dimensions of which are 63 feet 6 inches over all, 45 feet 8 inches on the water line, 15 feet 6 inches beam and 4 feet 8 inches draught without centreboard. She will carry a rig proportioned for moderate and strong breezes, and with her motor will make eight miles an hour. The hull of this craft is planked and the joiner work is being finished. She is to be named Hussar and will be ready by Decoration Day. The second boat at this yard is for S. F. Rothschild and will be named Lillian II. This is a power boat 50 feet over all, 43 feet 3 inches on the water line, 10 feet beam and draught not to exceed 26 inches. Twelve miles an hour is to be the speed of this craft and it will be ready by June 1.

An auxiliary schooner is being built at the yard of E. James Tull, Pocomoke City, Md., for Joseph T. Bailey, which will be used for cruising on Chesapeake Bay. The dimensions of this craft are 64 feet 3 inches over all, 56 feet 3 inches on the water line, 16 feet 9 inches beam, and 3 feet draught without centreboard. As she is intended for moderate and heavy weather sailing her rig is a small one, and the auxiliary power is an internal combustion engine that will drive the yacht nine miles an hour.

At West Lynn, Mass., Britt Bros. are building a power boat for a New York yachtsman which has attracted attention because of its fine interior accommodations. This craft is almost ready for launching and will be turned over to the owner this month. The yacht, which is built of wood, is 55 feet over all, 49 feet 10 inches on the water line, 11 feet beam and 30 inches draught. This craft will be driven by a Lozier motor and will make 12.5 miles an hour.

The Margo is another power boat building down East. She is for Russell Dart of this city and is building at the yard of Murray & Tregurtha at South Boston. Her dimensions are 40 feet long, 10 feet beam and 3 feet draught.

At W. F. Ruddock's shop on the Harlem there is building a double planked mahogany speed launch for a New York yachtsman. This launch is of the open type intended for cruising and express service. She is 36 feet long over all, 5 feet 3 inches beam, and will be able to make 20 miles an hour.

At Jacob's yard at City Island seven boats are building from Gielow designs. One is a speed launch for F. Max Huber of Brooklyn, which is 35 feet over all, 4 feet 3 inches beam and is to make 20 miles an hour. This craft is constructed of mahogany double planked.

Another craft at these shops is the 38 rating sloop for John Hays Hammond, Jr. She is in frame and being planked, and her joiner work is all completed and ready to set up as soon as the deck beams are in place and the deck laid. As she stands in frame she presents a handsome appearance and leaves no room for questioning her ability to show speed in a thrash to windward. Her construction is substantial and capable of withstanding the stress of racing as well as cruising. She is to be named Odysseus II. and will be ready for delivery on June 5.

The five other boats are one design class S sloops for members of the Manhasset Bay Yacht Club. They are 27 feet 10 inches long on deck and a beam of 6 feet 7 inches and will spread about 430 square feet of canvas. They are for Edgar A. Sierck, John F. O'Rourke, James W. Alker, Clarkson Cowl and W. Butler Duncan, Jr.

The other ten boats are of smaller dimensions, ranging from 25 to 30 feet in length.

COLUMBIA'S MINOR SPORTS.

Three Championships Won by the New Yorkers in Season Just Past.

In the season just closing Columbia teams, with the exception of those in fencing and wrestling, did well. Three minor teams have brought championships to Morningside Heights. Of all the winter sports basketball is most important at Columbia and also the best supported. From a squad of veteran players the coach built up a team that won every game until the very last one of the season, when it was beaten by Pennsylvania. The record was sixteen victories and one defeat. The team was almost universally recognized as the champion of the East.

Soccer is looked upon as second to basketball. In the games played in the late fall the team was not entirely successful, but after a hard series of practice scrimmages in the snow on South Field the eleven opened the spring season by defeating the University of Pennsylvania players and have kept up the record by winning from Haverford, Cornell and Yale. With only one more game to play in the intercollegiate series the Columbia team already has the championship secure, for even if it does lose the final game with Harvard it will still be half a game ahead of any of its rivals. This is the first of the five soccer teams that Columbia has had that has won the intercollegiate title.

The Columbia gymnastic team this year was one of the best that has competed in several seasons and, although it was defeated by Pennsylvania in a dual meet in the early part of the season, it developed rapidly and after winning from New York University in a dual meet closed the season by capturing the intercollegiate championship. The individual title was also won by a Columbia man, H. S. Schoonmaker, the captain of the team. It is very likely that the team next will be a first class aggregation, for only one or two of this year's team will be lost by graduation. Those who will still be eligible to compete are C. L. Hanrahan, S. Meltzer and P. McCulloch, all of whom won points in the meet this season. The loss of Schoonmaker will be the hardest to make up.

In wrestling Columbia was poorly represented this season, and the reason lies in a temporary lack of interest in the sport on the heights. Not a single point was scored by the Blue and White in the intercollegiate championship meet, and only two bouts were won in two meets with Pennsylvania. The team was also hampered by financial difficulties.

Columbia would have made a better showing in the intercollegiate fencing tournament if C. E. Dwyer, the captain of the team, had not given up the sport to play on the soccer team. Dwyer fenced in meets with Pennsylvania and the team made a good showing. It was easily eliminated in the preliminary trials for the intercollegiate tournament by Cornell and West Point.

YACHTS CHANGE HANDS.

The Wild Duck Sold by Mrs. Prevost to Paul E. De Fere.

The following transfers of yachts are reported through the agency of Henry J. Gielow:

Steam yacht Wild Duck, sold by Mrs. S. M. Prevost to Paul E. De Fere, who recently made a three months winter cruise through the West Indies on her, carrying on deck his automobile and with it touring the islands visited. Capt. Wallace E. Eldridge was in charge.

Steam yacht Crescent, sold by George Rose to J. W. Johnson and Clarence E. Chapman, who took the yacht south for two months and will use her on the Gulf of St. Lawrence during the summer. Capt. P. C. Filley is in charge.

Steam yacht Columbine, sold by George W. Wood to J. J. Martin. The Columbine was fitted out in South Brooklyn by Capt. McLaughlin and has gone to Philadelphia, her new home port.

Steam yacht Alert, sold by J. J. Martin to George W. Wood.

Steam yacht Golden Rod, sold by William C. Hinds to Dr. J. Nelson Walter. She will be taken to South America.

Steam yacht Mohawk, sold by H. Wallerstein to A. W. Archer. The yacht is now in use about the island of Hayti.

Auxiliary schooner Columbia, sold by E. R. Hastings to Harold Binney. Many improvements have been made and the name changed to Mist, as all Mr. Binney's yachts have been named.

Schooner Cara II., sold by George E. Ide to Edward C. Bodman. An auxiliary gas engine is to be installed.

Auxiliary yawl Scapha, sold by L. H. Armour to M. R. Durham, who will cruise to the eastward this season.

Chess.

José R. Capablanca again defeated J. Rosenthal in a match of five games up under a time limit of ten seconds to a move at the rooms of the Rice Chess Club yesterday, this time, however, by the one sided score of 5 to 0, with two drawn games. On the former occasion the Cuban champion had been barely able to win by the odd game after Rosenthal had established a lead. Yesterday Capablanca was in his happiest mood and early in the series mated the black king with a pawn in the centre of the board. This had the effect of unnerving his adversary, who thereafter played in indifferent form. Capablanca also won first prize in a knockout rapid transit tournament with sixteen entries, defeating H. Menkes in the final round. A. Marder and F. D. Rosebault captured the third and fourth prizes respectively.

CLOCKWORK BALL BY GIANTS

M'GRAW'S MEN BEAT RICHMOND, 9 TO 2.

Ames Shows Traces of Wildness and Two Runs Are Scored on Him—Marquard Finishes in Good Form—Big Crowd to See the Game in the Queen City.

RICHMOND, Va., April 6.—John McGraw and his fast moving aggregation of New York National Leaguers rolled into the Queen city of the South at noon to-day and before the largest crowd that has greeted them on the training trip completely outclassed Richmond and waltzed away with the game by the score of 9 to 2.

At one or two stages of the five innings during which he performed Ames showed traces of wildness. Two hits were scored off him and the Virginia League pennant winners marked up their two runs while he pitched. Marquard succeeded him at the end of the fifth inning and while he gave three hits only one came in each of the three last innings. Marquard had a world of speed and showed himself to be at a high point of condition. McGraw did not follow the rule of using Ames and Mathewson in the same game, preferring to hold Christy for the game at Norfolk to-morrow against Yale.

Everything moved like clockwork to-day. There was fine hitting, fast base running, accurate throwing and errorless fielding. Richmond was glad to see the New Yorkers and they will be warmly welcomed should they arrange to appear here again in the future seasons.

The Giants piled up seven runs in the first three innings, putting the game safely away and then eased up and hustled the game through. Walker, who pitched three innings for Richmond, yielded seven hits and seven scores. He was succeeded by a local youth named Weymack, a port side flinger, who did well for his team though he was touched up for five hits and two tallies.

Herzog and Tenney scored in the initial inning, Charlie walking, moving up on Doyle's out and scoring on Tenney's long double to left. Fred came across when O'Hara landed a safety in the same garden. Four runs came in the next inning when Bridwell singled, stole second and continued to third on a bad throw. Ames walked and on a double steal took second, while Bridwell scored. Herzog's double scored Ames and Charlie scampered home ahead of Larry Doyle on the latter's homer to centre field fence.

O'Hara scored in the third on a single, a wild pitch and Schlei's single. O'Hara smashed for three bases in the seventh after Tenney had singled, but died trying to get home on the hit. The final run was scored by Marquard, who singled, took second when the throw was dropped and raced home on Murray's single.

Ames fanned the side in the fourth, but in this inning he passed one man, made a wild pitch, allowed the two hits that were made off him and the two runs were scored.

The team will go to Norfolk in the morning, where two days will be spent.

The score:

NEW YORK.	AB.	H.	P.	A.	E.	RICHMOND.	AB.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Herzog, rf	3	1	0	0	0	Lohr, cf	3	0	1	0	0
Doyle, 2b	3	2	0	5	0	Lipe, 3b	3	0	2	2	0
Murray, lf	3	1	0	0	0	Kanzler, 1b	4	2	8	1	0
Tenney, 1b	4	2	9	1	0	Cowan, lf	4	0	0	0	0
O'Hara, cf	4	3	0	0	0	S'ndh'rr, ss	4	1	2	4	2
Devlin, 3b	4	0	0	0	0	Titlan, rf	4	2	2	0	0
Bridwell, ss	3	1	3	1	0	Wright, 2b	4	3	5	1	2
Schlei, c	2	1	8	0	0	Kleifel, c	3	0	6	3	0
Snodg'ss, c	2	0	6	1	0	Walker, p	1	0	1	0	0
Ames, p	1	0	0	2	0	Weym'k, p	1	0	0	2	0
Marq'rd, p	2	1	1	3	0						
Totals	35	12	27	13	0	Totals	30	5	27	14	4

New York	2	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	1–9						
Richmond	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0–2						

Runs—New York—Herzog, 2; Doyle, 1; Tenney, 2; O'Hara, 1; Bridwell, 1; Ames, 1; Marquard, 1. Richmond—Lipe, 1; Kanzler, 1. Two base hits—Herzog, Tenney. Three base hit—O'Hara. Home run—Doyle. Sacrifice hit—Lohr. Stolen bases—O'Hara, Bridwell. Left on bases—New York, 4; Richmond, 5. First base on errors—New York, 1. Double play—Marquard to Bridwell to Tenney. Struck out—By Ames, 8; by Walker, 2; by Marquard, 6; by Weymack, 1. First base on balls—Off Walker, 2; off Ames, 3; off Marquard, 1; off Weymack, 2. Wild pitches—Walker, 2. Hits—Off Ames, 2 in five innings; off Walker, 7 in three innings. Umpire—Mace. Time—1 hour and 45 minutes. Attendance—5,000.

SECOND DEFEAT FOR BROOKLYN.

Superbas Make Uphill Fight, but Lose by 6 to 5.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 6.—After making a grand uphill fight the Brooklyn team met its second defeat since coming South at the hands of the Atlanta team, which has made all the big league clubs go some this year. The score was Atlanta 6, Brooklyn 5, ten innings.

Hanks, a product of a trolley league who drifted into Atlanta a few days ago, was in the main responsible for Brooklyn's defeat. He not only baffled the Superbas with his offside delivery, but in the fourth inning drove in two men ahead of him with a drive for the circuit.

Brooklyn scored a run in the fourth and sixth innings and tied the score in the eighth inning, only to fail to hit in the remaining two innings.

In the eighth on some poor playing by the Crackers and two hits by the Superbas, one being a triple by Jordan, the Brooklyns scored three runs. In the ninth they went out in order and in the tenth with Hummel on third and two out Jordan went out at first on a grounder to the second baseman.

The score:

BROOKLYN.	AB.	H.	P.	A.	E.	ATLANTA.	AB.	H.	P.	A.	E.
Burch, lf	4	1	1	0	0	Bayless, cf	4	1	1	0	0
Patten, 2b	4	0	2	3	0	O'Brien, 2b	5	1	2	5	0
Hum'el, ss	5	2	0	7	0	Smith, c	5	1	8	1	0
Sebring, cf	4	1	2	0	0	Moran, lf	5	3	1	0	0
Kustus, rf	2	0	4	0	0	Bastian, 1b	5	2	13	1	2
T. J'rd'n, 1b	3	2	14	0	0	Henn, rf	4	2	4	1	0
Lennox, 3b	4	1	0	0	0	Newton, ss	3	1	2	2	1
Dunn, c	2	0	1	0	0	Walker, 3b	4	1	0	4	1
Bergen, c	1	0	5	0	0	Hanks, p	2	1	0	0	0
Wilhelm, p	2	0	0	1	0	Atkins, p	2	0	0	1	0
Bell, p	2	0	0	0	0						
Totals	33	7*	28	10	1	Totals	39	12	30	15	4

*One out when winning run was scored.

Brooklyn	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	3	0	0–5
Atlanta	1	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	1–6

Runs—Brooklyn—Hummel, 2; Sebring, 1; Kustus, 1; T. Jordan, 1. Atlanta—Smith, 1; Moran, 2; Bastian, 1; Henn, 1; Hanks, 1. Two base hit—T. Jordan. Three base hits—T. Jordan, Smith, Henn, Newton. Home run—Hanks. First base on errors—Brooklyn, 2; Atlanta, 1. Left on bases—Brooklyn, 7; Atlanta, 8. Sacrifice hits—Pattee, Sebring, Kustus, T. Jordan (2), Henn, Newton. Stolen bases—O. Jordan. Double plays—Henn and Smith. Hits—Off Wilhelm, six in 5 innings; off Hanks, two in 4 innings.