RACING BEGINS FAVORABLY

NEARLY 9,000 PERSONS PAY AT BELMONT PARK.

No Interference With Oral Speculation Which Is Limited—King James Gallops Off With Metropolitan Handicap—John E. Madden's Day of Triumph.

Unless the conditions that prevailed at Belmont Park yesterday are changed unexpectedly, racing will live! That was the verdict of nearly 9,000 enthusiastic men and women who saw the racing season opened at the magnificent track in Nassau county. The law as interpreted by the courts and enforced by Sheriff Foster and his deputies permitted a certain amount of oral betting between individuals, with absolutely no display of cash at any time and no recording of transactions, as far as could be seen.

A small number of men who were formerly bookmakers were on hand with their clerks, who were supposed to have memorized the details of wagers accepted on credit. But there was no attempt at bookmaking, no posting of odds, no audible offers to make or lay wagers, and a complete absence of tangible evidence that gambling of any kind was going on.

The betting ring, where 300 bookmakers used to handle thousands of dollars, was empty, but the lawn in front of the huge grand stand was covered with persons who whispered in one another's ears and evidently did not care to allow strangers to overhear them. The most important feature of this gathering at the trackside was the freedom enjoyed by the racegoers. There were no sleuths to search people or make arrests because bets were accepted while there was no attempt to break up the groups of men indulging in private conversation. In fact things passed off so quietly that the crowd went home much encouraged as to the future of the sport.

District Attorney W. C. Coles was on hand with County Detective Finn-Seaman, while Sheriff Foster was assisted by Under Sheriff William Hulz. When asked about the situation during the afternoon these officials said that they had looked over the ground carefully and were positive that the law as interpreted by the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court was not being violated in any way. For that matter, there was comparatively little speculation, even of an oral nature. Unless a man's credit was without a flaw he could not induce another man to accept even a piker's bet from him. Persons who had unlimited credit, by the way, were few and far between. Summing it up it appears that the old days have gone forever and that the small bettor has been permanently wiped out.

Very few persons passed the Pinkertons on a free badge, with the result that, including 500 society people who paid an extra five dollar fee to see the races from the exclusive clubhouse, nearly 9,000 put up cash, amounting to more than $22,000 in gross receipts, it was said. As the running expenses for the day were not more than $7,000, it was not at all surprising that the members of the Jockey Club and the Westchester Racing Association were highly elated over such an unexpectedly fine opening.

It was a superb day and the racing was excellent. The crowd enjoyed the picturesque scene, the fresh air and the running of the blue blooded thoroughbreds. The clubhouse was the magnet for many notables, always loyal to the turf, and a host of stylishly dressed women who enjoyed the afternoon in the private boxes or on the green lawns. Outside the shady paddock, where veteran turfmen met once more and exchanged greetings, were 300 automobiles which had come from the metropolis in a hurry over the well oiled Long Island roads. Belmont Park, America's greatest racecourse, was never in better condition, and the size of the crowd, under the existing conditions, was an excellent indication of its popularity.

The racing was, in part, a distinct triumph for John E. Madden. His famous colors were twice carried to victory, by the three-year-old filly Lady Bedford and the two-year-old colt Newmarket, while King James, the four-year-old son of Plaudit, who won the $5,000 Metropolitan Handicap, at a mile, in the most impressive style, was bred by Madden at Hamburg Place. Incidentally Fayette, Madden's crack three-year-old Ogden colt, ran second to King James, while "The Wizard" got third money in the first race with Miss Kearney, second money in the second event with Hampton Court and third money in the third race with Naughty Boy. On the face of this achievement the impression gained strength that the Madden racing establishment this year looks decidedly formidable.

There were eleven starters in the Metropolitan, with George Odom's Nimbus added. King James, carrying top weight, 125 pounds, and running in S. C. Hildreth's name, was the favorite, with Fayette and Mr. Belmont's Half Sovereign second choices. Mr. Keene's Turncoat, tipped by all the clockers, was also fancied, while old Juggler, fresh from Pimlico, Don Creole and Mary Davis each had a following.

Star Ontario, who was in great form all the afternoon, sent the field away to a perfect start. Nimbus, close to the rail, broke off at a fast clip and showed the way with a small margin over King James, Mary Davis, Half Sovereign and Fayette for nearly half a mile. Then King James, cleverly ridden by Guy Burns, shot into the lead and when he reached the head of the stretch he began to draw away in majestic style. McIntyre went after him with Fayette under drive, but King James, with much in reserve, breezed home with eight lengths to spare in 1:40, his share of the stakes being $4,000. Fayette ran second, with two lengths over Juggler, who was whipped to beat Mary Davis three parts of a length for third money. Turncoat and Nimbus were not far away. Gowan broke down badly in the run up the back stretch and Bergen finally dismounted. When King James came back in triumph to the scales he received an ovation.

The New York Steeplechase, at about two miles, provided a spectacular race. The result was apparently in doubt up to the last jump, which Bartlett M. Lennon's Agent and Robert Neville's Sir Wooster took simultaneously. Then Agent under punishment gradually drew away, to win by a length in 4:00, Sir Wooster beating old Grandpa by thirty lengths.

Madden's Lady Bedford, by Ogden, won the first race of the year, a dash of six furlongs, straightaway, for three-year-olds. She was coupled with Miss Kearney, by Planudes, while Joe Madden, a son of Yankee, bred by Madden, was the favorite, in Hildreth's colors. Lady Bedford made all the running and won galloping by three lengths in 1:12 4-5, with Joe Madden in the place, a length and a half before Miss Kearney. Waponoca had early speed, but blew up when the pressure was put on.

August Belmont's Hastings colt Star Ecotie was an impressive winner of the second race, for maiden two-year-olds, four furlongs. E. Dugan had him in front all the way and got him to the judges two lengths before Madden's Hampton Court, a colt by Galore—Dorothy Hampton, who ruled favorite and beat Perry Johnson, a son of the great Meddler, by a head. Mr. Keene's colors were seen for the first time in this race, his representative being a son of Meddler named Hibernica, who did not run up to expectations. The time was 0:47.

Though he was left flatfooted at the barrier Madden's Newmarket, a splendid looking colt by Plaudit—Nahma, a hot favorite, coupled with Naughty Boy, a colt by Ogden—Imp, won the third race, for two-year-olds, four and a half furlongs, in a gallop. The Oneck Stable's Anavri, by Iron Strome—Irvana, rushed into the place within a safe margin over Naughty Boy. Mr. Whitney's Elizabethan, a filly by Hamburg—Elizabeth L., acted badly at the post and had no chance. The time was 0:53 3-5.

Mr. Walsh had The Squire in fine shape for the last race, at a mile and a sixteenth, and practically all the way and Dugan hustled him to the wire a length and a half before Dandelion, the favorite, who began slowly and finished with the usual game rush. Samuel Emery's Cowen was a poor third. The time was 1:46.

Hildreth, when the races were over said that King James was the best horse he had ever trained and was a better handicap performer than the noted McChesney, now in a South American stud.

At a meeting of the Jockey Club held yesterday William Manley and W. Ogden Bishop were elected to membership.

The summaries:

FIRST RACE.

For three-year olds and upward; five pounds under the scale; $400 added; allowances; six furlongs:

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
Lady Bedford, 3	116	J. Howard	9-1 even	1[illegible]
Joe Madden, 3	121	G. Burns	7-5	2[illegible]
Miss Kearney, 3	116	McIntyre	3-1 even	3[illegible]
Lawton Wiggins, 3	121	J. Butwell	5-1	4
Waponoca, 3	118	E. Dugan	7-2	5
Mariette, 3	111	Creevy	8-1	6

*Madden entry.

Time, 1:12 4-5.

Good start; won easily; Lady Bedford, ch. f., 3, Ogden—Matanza; owned and trained by J. E. Madden.

SECOND RACE.

For maiden two-year-olds; twelve pounds under the scale; $400 added; four furlongs, straightaway:

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
Star Bottle, 2	110	E. Dugan	5-1	1
*Hampton Court, 2	110	Russell	8-5	3-5 2
Perry Johnson, 2	107	Gloss	15-1	6-1 3
May Florence, 2	107	H. Smith	8-1	5-1 4
Responsetul, 2	107	Creevy	10-1	4-1 5
Black Chief, 2	110	Scoville	15-1	6-1 6
Hibernica, 2	107	Butwell	3-1 even	7
*Shannon, 2	110	McIntyre	8-5	3-5 8
Cuthbert, 2	110	McDaniel	15-1	6-1 9
Young Belle, 2	107	Lang	20-1	8-1 10
Etta May, 2	107	J. Howard	8-1	3-1 11
German Silver, 2	110	G. Burns	15-1	6-1 12

*Madden entry.

Time, 0:47 3-5.

Good start; won easily; Star Bottle, ch. c., 2, by Hastings—Sunfish; owned by August Belmont; trained by J. Whalen.

THIRD RACE.

For two-year-olds; seven pounds under the scale; $400 added; four and a half furlongs, straightaway:

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
*Newmarket, 2	115	McIntyre	7-10	1-4 1
Anavri, 2	112	H. Smith	5-2	7-10 2
*Naughty Boy, 2	115	Howard	7-10	1-4 3
Glopper, 2	115	E. Dugan	12-1	3-1 4
Elizabethan, 2	112	Nicol	5-1	6-5 5

*Madden entry.

Time, 0:53 3-5.

Good start; won easily; Newmarket, br. c., 2, by Plaudit—Nahma; owned and trained by J. E. Madden.

FOURTH RACE.

Metropolitan Handicap; for three-year-olds and upward; $5,000 guaranteed value; one mile:

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
King James, 4	125	G. Burns	2-1	4-5 1
Fayette, 3	108	McIntyre	4-1	9-5 2
Juggler, 4	112	Nicol	6-1	3-1 3
Mary Davis, 3	97	Gloss	8-1	3-1 4
Turncoat, 3	98	Russell	6-1	2-1 5
*Nimbus, 4	108	Upton	10-1	4-1 6
Footpad, 3	92	Ural	20-1	8-1 7
Glucose, 3	92	Creevy	20-1	8-1 8
Half Sovereign, 4	109	E. Dugan	4-1	8-5 9
Don Creole, 5	98	Scoville	8-1	3-1 10
Gowan, 4	98	Bergen	10-1	4-1 †

*Added starter. †Broke down.

Time, 1:40.

Good start; won easily; King James, br. c., 4, by Plaudit—Unsightly; owned and trained by S. C. Hildreth.

FIFTH RACE.

New York Steeplechase; for four-year-olds and upward; ten pounds under the scale; $600 added; about two miles:

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
*Agent, aged	153	Kelleher	4-1	6-5 1
Sir Wooster, 5	146	Davidson	4-5	1-2 2
Grandpa, aged	153	Sampson	8-1	3-1 3
Waterspeed, 5	144	McKinney	4-1	6-5 4
Kentucky Beau, 5	146	Allen	10-1	3-1 5

*Added starters.

Time, 4:00.

Good start; won driving; Agent, b. g., aged, by George Kessler—Ricabar; owned by Bartlett McLennan; trained by W. Hogan.

SIXTH RACE.

Selling; for three-year-olds and upward; $400 added; one mile and a sixteenth:

Horse and Age.	Wt.	Jockey.	Betting.	Fin.
The Squire, 4	108	E. Dugan	5-2 even	1[illegible]
Dandelion, aged	114	G. Burns	9-5 7-10	2[illegible]
Cowen, 3	89	Gloss	5-1	2-1 3[illegible]
Bonnie Kelso, 3	91	Upton	5-1	2-1 4
Rockstone, 5	106	King	20-1	8-1 5
Sea Wolf, 5	111	Scoville	8-1	3-1 6
Golconda, 4	108	McDaniel	20-1	8-1 7
Moorish King, 5	99	Russell	12-1	5-1 8
D'ly Spanker, aged	111	Creevy	15-1	6-1 9

Time, 1:46.

Good start; won driving. The Squire, ch. g., 4, by Prince of Melbourne—Homespun; owned by Robert F. Little; trained by Thomas Welsh.

LAWN TENNIS.

Miss Wagner Defeats Miss Moore on West Side Courts.

Miss Marie Wagner, the national indoor champion; Miss Erna Marcus, Miss Louise Hammond and Mrs. Barger-Wallach, the national champion, yesterday won their places in the semi-final round of the women's singles tennis tournament on the courts of the West Side Club near Van Cortlandt Park. It fell to Miss Wagner to defeat her more experienced rival, Miss Elizabeth H. Moore, after three splendid sets at the score of 2—6, 6—0 and 8—6. The doubles brought out some pretty team play. The best of the matches was that in which Miss Hammond and Miss Elsie Little defeated Miss Elizabeth Lane and Miss Sallie Homans.

The summary:

Women's Singles—Second round—Miss Elizabeth H. Moore defeated Mrs. A. G. Miles, 6—4, 7—5.

Third Round—Miss Marie Wagner defeated Miss Elizabeth H. Moore, 2—6, 6—0, 8—6; Miss Erna Marcus defeated Miss Elizabeth C. Bunce, 6—4, 6—1; Miss Louise E. Hammond defeated Miss Jennet Blackwell, 6—1, 6—4; Mrs. Barger-Wallach defeated Mrs. Marshall McLean, 4—6, 6—4, 6—2.

Women's Doubles—First round—Miss Elizabeth Lane and Miss Sallie Homans defeated Mrs. Frank J. Gould and Mrs. A. E. Ramsey, by default; Miss Louise E. Hammond and Miss Little defeated Miss Jennet Blackwell and Miss Emily Scott, 6—0, 6—2; Miss Edna Wildey and Mrs. A. G. Miles defeated Mrs. Barger-Wallach and Mrs. Frederick Schmitz, 6—2, 6—4; Miss Marie Wagner and Miss Erna Marcus defeated Mrs. Spencer F. Weaver and Miss Clara Kuttroff, 6—1, 6—3.

Second Round—Miss Louise E. Hammond and Miss Elsie Little defeated Miss Elizabeth Lane and Miss Sallie Homans, 6—1, 6—1; Mrs. Marshall McLean and Mrs. George H. Chapman defeated Mrs. Gardner Hope Miller and Mrs. Thomson, by default.

Columbia Athletic Managers.

The first set of elections of managers of athletic teams under the new system of supervision devised by the board of student representatives was held at Columbia yesterday when managers and assistants were elected to look after the affairs of the baseball, track, soccer, lacrosse and swimming teams for the coming year. C. Homer Ramsdell, '10, was elected manager of the baseball nine, with S. T. McKeown, '11, as assistant. T. B. Counselman, '10, was unanimously elected manager of the track team and S. P. Taylor, '11, was chosen assistant manager. H. T. Barker, '10, received the office of manager of the swimming team and R. E. Kinsman, '11, assistant manager. H. V. B. Darlington, '10, was elected manager of the soccer team and G. L. Peters, '11, assistant manager. E. R. Osborn, '10, is manager of the lacrosse team and F. S. Frambach, '11, assistant manager.

Lehigh's Lacrosse Captain.

BETHLEHEM, Pa., May 13.—A. S. Osborne of Pittsburg, a Lehigh University junior, was to-day elected captain of the lacrosse team for next season. Osborne plays third attack.

College Athletics.

Now Cornell begins to have troubles in rowing again. Wisconsin, Syracuse and Harvard have been lucky thus far.

Thorpe, the Indian athlete, appears to be an all around wonder, judged from his work on the track against Syracuse and Penn State.

Crawley of Chicago made 21 points against Wisconsin in the dual meet. He won both hurdles, tied for first in the high jump and pole vault and was second in the shotput.

Cornell certainly put a crimp in Harvard's expectations of an intercollegiate lacrosse championship.

Dull of Michigan isn't all in yet. He won the two mile run in the spring games at Ann Arbor in 9 minutes 44 seconds.

No wonder some Harvard folks don't favor keeping the hammer throw on the intercollegiate programme. Ruch, the best Crimson hurler, did only 127 feet 10 inches last Saturday.

De Selding of Harvard, who was second in the intercollegiate quarter mile run last year, was only fourth against Dartmouth last Saturday. That speaks well for the merits of Blumer, Kelley and Merrihew, who beat him.

A Boston estimate is that Yale will win the dual meet from Harvard by 60½ to 43½.

There is some eagerness to see how well Cornell will come out against Princeton in their dual games on Saturday.

Jay C. Huston, 7 in the Stanford varsity crew, has been elected captain for next year.

Of the action at Harvard in abolishing intercollegiate competition in basketball the Yale *Daily News* says: "We appreciate the wisdom of putting an end to a sport which has been dying at Cambridge for want of support, facilities and success."

Probably only eight men will be taken to Chicago on the Stanford track team for the conference meet. The universities of Utah, Denver and Colorado will be met on the way.

E. H. Wright of Princeton, the individual intercollegiate trap shooting champion, is treasurer of the I. T. S. A. D. R. Dickey of Yale is president and B. M. Higginson of Harvard secretary.

The Wisconsin oarsmen have begun working at 6 o'clock in the morning, in addition to their afternoon rowing.

Horner of Michigan put the shot 45 feet 6 inches last Saturday and Keck ran the quarter mile in 50 1-5 seconds. Those performances should count for the Maize and Blue in the intercollegiate games.

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CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

GROWING INTEREST IN SIR MARTIN'S DERBY CHANCES.

August Belmont Says a Victory Will Cause Intense Enthusiasm in America, Though American Turf Is Object of Attack—"Advance Information" Case

Somebody asked August Belmont, chairman of the Jockey Club, the other day why practically all the best racehorses here last season, including Ballot, Colin, Fair Play, Priscillian and Sir Martin, had been sent to England instead of being kept here to maintain the standard of the sport. Mr. Belmont readily replied that while a desire to capture some of the rich classics in England was one reason, it was also the aim of Messrs. Keene, Whitney and himself to win some of the big stakes with horses bred in this country, that American pride and patriotism might be aroused and the real value of the breeding industry here might be finally appreciated.

"If my horse Norman III. had won the Derby, last year," said Mr. Belmont, "the victory would have been of inestimable value to American racing. There is a vast amount of interest here in the achievements of American thoroughbreds in England and other European countries, so much so that you'll read cable despatches in our newspapers giving the details of races won by American horses or in which Yankee thoroughbreds are not even placed. If an American racehorse wins the Derby this year I feel sure that there will be intense enthusiasm all over the United States simply because of the nation's pride in such a great victory. Yet at the same time racing in this country is the object of attacks that threaten its entire destruction."

The splendid race run by Sir Martin in England on Wednesday, when he won a handicap at Newmarket with 136 pounds on his back, has caused widespread interest both here and in Europe in the Ogden colt's chances in the Derby to be run at Epsom on May 24. John E. Madden, who bred Sir Martin and sold him last fall for big money to Louis Winans, his present owner, who is an American, for many years a resident of Brighton, England, said yesterday:

"I am greatly pleased with the form displayed so far by Sir Martin, and if he wins the Derby I shall feel that my long career as a breeder of racehorses has been crowned with a priceless reward. Sir Martin is a wonderful horse in every way. He has speed, stamina, courage and a splendid disposition. Some of the English critics have expressed a doubt as to his ability to go the Derby route, but if he is fit I think you'll see him disprove some of these statements. I think Sir Martin will run a nice race in the Derby. His victory on Wednesday seems to indicate that he is well advanced in his training and has become thoroughly acclimated. The Derby is a hard race to win and Sir Martin will meet the best three-year-olds in the world. If he is victorious all red blooded Americans should take part in the celebration."

The cases of William A. Engeman, C. J. Fitzgerald and John G. Cavanagh, who were indicted by the Kings county Grand Jury last summer charged with violating the gambling law by publishing "advance information" at Brighton Beach racetrack, were argued before the Court of Appeals on Wednesday. Assistant District Attorney Elder represented the People, while Joseph S. Auerbach and William C. De Witt appeared for the defendants. The cases were on appeal from the order of the Appellate Division affirming the County Court of Kings county in sustaining a demurrer to the indictment. Mr. Elder in his argument contended that the advance information slip, containing the names of horses and jockeys, together with the weights for each race, was "a gambling device pure and simple, as it was sold to bookmakers to aid them in their business." Lawyer Auerbach said that a gambling device was something tangible and that a common gambler was one who had made a bet in a gambling house only; and not on the street, or elsewhere. Mr. Auerbach argued that the publication of the names of horses, jockeys weights and past performances was no crime, and that some of the newspapers contained far more information of this nature than the advance slips.

Jockey Walter Miller says he will probably sail for Europe in about two weeks to accept an offer to ride for a rich turfman. Miller is too heavy now to secure steady employment in the saddle in this country. He recently received a license from the Jockey Club, and with that important indorsement he expects to secure permission to ride on the European tracks at an early date.

E. Dugan will ride the Whitney and Belmont horses here as last year. Vincent Powers is the probable jockey for the Keene stable, while Jimmy McIntyre, under contract to William Garth, will wear John E. Madden's colors during the present session at Belmont Park.

Without attempting to dictate to Manager Stallings of the Highlanders, numerous ball fans are wondering why he has not settled the second base problem once and for all time. Ward has shown that he is not a second baseman, but a shortstop, while Laporte and Ball have displayed so much unsteadiness that they cannot be reckoned with. Close observers of the game therefore say that as Hemphill is too valuable a man to remain on the bench and as Engle seems to be misjudging too many fly balls in the outfield it might be a wise move on the part of Stallings to place Cree in left field, Hemphill in centre and Engle at second base. Engle is a great ball player, no matter where he may be stationed. He has been tested successfully as an infielder and appears to be the man to fill the keystone position on the diamond. The critics do not believe that the Highlanders can hold their own with the other American League teams as long as there is no regular second basemen. Furthermore the critics think that just as soon as the pitching is limited to Lake, Manning, Quinn, Warhop, Chesbro and Brockett more headway will be made. To experiment with green twirlers in a championship race doesn't get much as a rule, though Manager Stallings, it must be remembered, has only just begun to build up a team that finished in the cellar last fall.

Personal magnetism means much in the management of a ball team. Roger Bresnahan possesses this quality to a marked degree, as any fan who watches the work of the St. Louis Cardinals can see. The St. Louis players do not make a move without Roger's consent. They play the game in accordance with his ideas and they display the same aggressiveness with which Bresnahan helped the Giants to make such a great fight last year. Bresnahan is a hard loser and a game fighter. He has worked wonders so far with a lot of inferior players who simply needed a competent leader. If he has his own way Bresnahan says he will have a first class ball team within the next two years.

Battling Nelson, now in Frisco, has succeeded in getting Promoter Coffroth's consent to a postponement of his fight with Packy McFarland. The date for this bout will not be discussed until after Nelson's forty-five round battle with Dick Hyland has been decided at Colma on May 29. Nelson has been so warmly censured for backing out of the McFarland bout arranged for July 5 that he now declares he will be ready to take the Chicago boxer on whenever Coffroth says the word. Hyland has been hard at work training for the Nelson go and his friends believe he will put up a strong argument. Nelson predicts that Hyland will last about ten rounds.

Hugo Kelly is favorite at 10 to 7 for his forty-five round battle with Bill Papke at Colma to-morrow afternoon. These odds are laid on the strength of Kelly's showing when he fought Papke a twenty-five round draw at Los Angeles last winter. It is conceded that Kelly is the more scientific boxer and that he is therefore better fitted to go a long distance. Papke since he was punched into a state of unconsciousness by Ketchel has never been the same. He is said to lack the old steam and confidence. Ketchel it will be remembered knocked all the fight out of Joe Thomas, who has been a back number ever since.

Ketchel will be an interested spectator when Jack O'Brien and Jack Johnson come together for six rounds in Philadelphia next Wednesday night. Ketchel has never seen Johnson put up his hands except in the moving pictures of the Burns mill, and for that reason he is anxious to see for himself what the big negro can do. Ketchel received a gruelling trimming from O'Brien, it will be recalled, before he put Philadelphia Jack away with terrific punches just as the tenth round ended, so that the Michigan Lion expects to see Johnson's defensive tactics well tested by the swiftly moving O'Brien in the coming bout. "If Johnson cannot hurt O'Brien in six rounds," said Ketchel yesterday, "he will simply increase my confidence. I am going to put Johnson away next October as sure as he's alive. Jeff doesn't need to worry."

It was announced last night that a match had been made between Freddie Welsh and Jack Goodman for ten rounds at the Fairmont A. C. on May 21. Both fighters will weigh in at 133 pounds at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of the fight.

NEW ROWING DATE.

Intercollegiate Regatta Postponed to July 2.

The intercollegiate rowing regatta, held annually at Poughkeepsie, which the stewards of the Intercollegiate Association announced last winter would be held on Saturday, June 26, has been postponed to Friday, July 2, according to a statement given out by Francis S. Bangs of Columbia yesterday. The change has been made at the request of the West Shore Railroad Company, which desired to have the regatta on some date other than Saturday as at first scheduled. The regatta committee decided to have it a week later, when it would be possible to have the crews row down stream as in other years, whereas the first plans of the committee would necessitate the varsity eight oared race being rowed upstream from the finish of the present course to the start.

This is the first time that the railroad company has been successful in having the races changed from the day originally set. Although it will give the coaches one week longer in which to get their men into condition, it is not thought that the postponement will be welcomed by any one, least of all by the oarsmen themselves. The change in date will cause every coach to make a complete revision of his plans and the result will be much extra labor.

The new date now places the Poughkeepsie regatta one day later than the Yale-Harvard races at New London, and it will be almost impossible for the rowing enthusiasts to see both races, as many had planned.

CHESS.

Capablanca Wins Again in Twelfth Game With Marshall.

José R. Capablanca won the twelfth game of the chess match of eight games up against Frank J. Marshall at the Rice Chess Club, Café Boulevard, in this city, yesterday after 55 moves. Marshall again relied upon his particular defence in the Ruy Lopez, offered by the Cuban expert, and the latter succeeded in winning two pawns in the opening. Queens were exchanged pretty early in the game, and although Marshall held out for 55 moves the game was practically over long before that number of moves were registered on the scoring sheet. The score of the match now reads: Capablanca, 6; Marshall, 1; drawn, 5.

The thirteenth game is scheduled at the Manhattan Chess Club for to-morrow afternoon, while on Sunday the fourteenth game will be again contested at the Rice Chess Club.

The score:

TWELFTH GAME—RUY LOPEZ.

Capablanca. White.	Marshall. Black.	Capablanca. White.	Marshall. Black.
1 P—K4	P—K4	30 Kt—Q4	P—Kt3
2 Kt—KB3	Kt—QB3	31 P—R4	P—R4
3 B—Kt5	P—Q3	32 P—QB4	R—R3
4 Kt—B3	Kt—B3	33 K—B3	K—R2
5 PxP	P—K6	34 P—R5	B—R3
6 Kt—KR4	P—Q4	35 R—Q8	R—Kt3ch
7 P—Q3	B—K2	36 K—Kt4	R—KT
8 PxP	PxP	37 K—B5ch	K—Kt3
9 QxQ	BxQ	38 Kt—Kt6	B—Kt5
10 B—Kt5	Castles.	39 R—Q8ch	K—B4
11 C'stles QR	Kt—Q4	40 R—Q8	BxP
12 P—KR3	P—QR3	41 KxB	RxP
13 B—R4	P—B4	42 R—B8ch	K—K4
14 B—B4	KKt—B2	43 P—B4ch	K—Q3
15 BxKt	KtxB	44 R—Q8ch	K—B3
16 B—Kt3	BxKt	45 Kt—B3	R—B7ch
17 BxB	RxP	46 Kt—K4	R—B7
18 KR—K	Kt—B	47 Kt—K6ch	K—B2
19 Kt—K4	Kt—K4	48 R—Q7ch	K—B1
20 B—K7	R—Q4	49 R—KB7	R—KR7
21 KtxP	RxRch	50 Kt—Kt8	R—K7
22 RxR	B—B4	51 RxKtP	P—Kt3
23 BxKt	RxB	52 PxP	P—Rch.
24 R—Q2	B—B	53 K—Kt5	P—R4
25 P—KB3	P—R3	54 Kt—K5	PxP
26 P—QKt3	K—R2	55 P—Kt7	checkandmate next move.
27 K—Kt2	R—B2		
28 P—QR4	R—B2*		
29 Kt—K4	B—B4		1 hr. 24 m 1 hr. 59 m.

Yale-Columbia Freshman Race Off.

Inability to agree over the distance of the race which was scheduled to take place between the Yale and Columbia freshman crews on Saturday resulted yesterday in the contest being declared off altogether. Ever since negotiations were first entered into for the race there have been disagreements of various sorts. Columbia wanted to have the race on May 15, but Yale demanded that it be held on May 22 as a part of the Yale spring regatta in New Haven harbor. This was not satisfactory to Columbia. Last week Yale conceded the point to Columbia and at the same time suggested that the race be one mile and a half instead of seven-eighths of a mile as has been the custom. This time Columbia refused, although as a compromise they suggested having the race at one mile. Yale declared the races off yesterday, as Columbia failed to reach terms for the race at a mile and a half.

Carolina League.

At Spartanburg—Spartanburg, 1; Winston Salem, 0.
At Greensboro—Charlotte, 2; Greensboro, 1.
At Greenville—Anderson, 5; Greenville, 2.

Virginia League.

At Portsmouth—Portsmouth, 6; Roanoke, 4.
At Richmond—Norfolk, 3; Richmond, 1.
At Lynchburg—Danville, 6; Lynchburg, 1.

South Atlantic League.

At Charleston—Charleston, 1; Macon, 0.
At Columbia—Columbia, 6; Columbia, 1.
At Chattanooga—Chattanooga, 5; Jacksonville, 6.
At Augusta—Augusta, 2; Savannah, 1.

New England League.

At New Bedford—Lawrence, 8; New Bedford, 4.
At Lynn—Lynn, 1; Brockton, 0.
At Lowell—Lowell, 4; Haverhill, 2.
At Worcester—Worcester, 14; Fall River, 0.

American Association.

At Kansas City—Kansas City, 11; Columbus, 2.
At St. Paul—Indianapolis, 5; St. Paul, 4.
At Minneapolis—Louisville, 2; Minneapolis, 1.
At Milwaukee—Toledo, 5; Milwaukee, 3 (13 innings.)

New York State League.

At Utica—Albany, 7; Utica, 6.
At Syracuse—Syracuse, 5; Troy, 4.
At Binghamton—Binghamton, 3; Wilkesbarre, 0.
At Elmira—Scranton, 2; Elmira, 1.

Tri-State League.

At York—Harrisburg, 7; York, 4.
At Lancaster—Lancaster, 4; Williamsport, 2.
At Reading—Reading, 1; Altoona, 0.
At Trenton—Trenton, 3; Johnstown, 0.

Western League.

At Omaha—Wichita, 6; Omaha, 2.
At Sioux City—Denver, 13; Sioux City, 8.
At Lincoln—Pueblo, 2; Lincoln, 1.
At Des Moines—Topeka, 1; Des Moines, 0.

Connecticut League.

At Springfield—Springfield, 5; Northampton, 4.
At Hartford—Hartford, 4; New Haven, 1.
At New Britain—New Britain, 5; Meriden, 0.
At Waterbury—Waterbury, 6; Bridgeport, 0.

Southern League.

At Memphis—Nashville, 3; Memphis, 1.
At Mobile—Montgomery, 6; Mobile, 4.
At Little Rock—Little Rock, 5; Birmingham, 1.
At New Orleans—Atlanta, 1; New Orleans, 2.

GIANTS PLAY FINE GAME

TOO FINE FOR THE CUBS, WHO GET THE SMALL END.

Youngsters Hit the Ball and McGraw on the Lines—Brooklyns Take Pitchers' Battle From St. Louis—Bostons Win Thirteen Inning Melee From Reds.

The playing of the New York Nationals yesterday was of the championship stripe, and they won another game from the Chicagos. The Brooklyns surpassed the Cardinals and recovered fifth place, the Cincinnatis being beaten by the Bostons in a thirteen inning mêlée. The Phillies lost another game to the Pittsburgs. The Chicagos fell to fourth place. They were ousted from the third notch by the Bostons. The results:

New York, 4; Chicago, 1.

Brooklyn, 2; St. Louis, 1.

Boston, 3; Cincinnati, 2.

Pittsburg, 6; Philadelphia, 4.

STANDING OF THE CLUBS.

	W.	L.	PC.		W.	L.	PC.
Pittsburg	15	8	.652	Brooklyn	10	11	.476
Philadelphia	11	9	.550	Cincinnati	12	14	.462
Boston	11	10	.524	New York	9	11	.450
Chicago	13	12	.520	St. Louis	10	16	.385

NEW YORK (N. L.), 4; CHICAGO (N. L.), 1.

Young players won yesterday's game for the Giants. Their batting was hard and at the paying moment, and the four who bowled over the Cubs with their well timed and stalwart hitting were McCormick, Murray, O'Hara and Meyers. There weren't many of the hits, but all were severe, straight from the shoulder blows which whisked the ball past the fielders a humming. Murray was on the rampage with the stick. He made two singles and a three bagger, and of the old ripping Mike Donlin persuasion.

The New Yorks played magnificent ball. The adjective is none too strong. It was the best organized and most convincing game they have played this year. Contemporaneous with this demonstration of strength and mayhap bearing on it, was the first appearance this season of John McGraw on the coaching lines. Mac did some verbal coaching, but his sentinel like, watchful attitude was the more noticeable in his reappearance.

Then again, Mathewson was in the box. Take it by and large the Cubs have no fear of Mathewson and have floored him often, but he was their master yesterday. He held them to four hits and a great deal of the time he had them disjointing themselves trying to get a good swing at his delivery, showing that they were not anywhere near a solution of what he was serving up to them. Mathewson's support was as good as his pitching. Both sides fielded without a slip or quiver.

Five men went out in a hurry before the ball was hit to an unguarded spot. Among the five retirements was a nifty stop by Devlin of a whack by Sheckard. The first safety maker was McCormick, who is batting well these days. He shot a two bagger to left and Murray singled to the same region and brought him in. Sheckard's throw home was a beauty, but a fraction of a second too late. Of the five double plays which garnished the grapple the first was jammed through by the Giants in the second inning and was fast as thought.

Not many men got on bases in the game, only five being left in the whole jamboree. Double plays and cleanup hits emptied the sacks. Mathewson had a leg assist on Tinker in the third inning, the actor being one Sprain Brown, who in Matty's leg turned a sharp drive of Tinker's over to Tenney for a put out. Murray clipped a three bagger to left in the fourth inning. Sheckard made the mistake of throwing to second instead of to third, else he probably would have had Murray or held him at second. For this ivory inspiration he was subjected to a battery of scathing looks from his team mates.

No matter where Murray had been held he would have scored. For Bill O'Hara sent a low liner past Hofman on the first bound, Hofman crossing the ball's path at too sharp an angle, and O'Hara reached the plate standing up. The inning ended with a fine play by Chance on Bridwell's speedy grounder. The Chi chap smeared it with one hand and tossed it to Kroh at first. Tinker led off with a hit in the sixth, but ran into a double play. McCormick was doubled on a line fly in the sixth, not watching the ball carefully.

The cleanest fielding play of the game was in the seventh inning. Chance tapped a fly to short centre and O'Hara, after losing time in gauging its parabola, found himself too far out and had to dash in at full speed to get to the ball. With a lurch and a one hand stab he made the catch with the port paw, the same snaring the ball with a scoop, shovel effect and the impetus carrying the fielder nearly in to the cheering grand standites.

A two bagger by Hofman on which O'Hara made a good stop and Tinker's single to centre gave the Cubs their hermit run in the eighth inning. The New Yorks made their fourth count in the seventh. Bridwell was passed and came the rest of the way when Meyers barely escaped beheading Steinfeldt with as wicked a smash as wood and leather are capable of. Steinfeldt was game and