CURRENT SPORTING GOSSIP

HOW GIANTS AND HILLMEN COMPARE AS TO FIGURES.

McGraw's Men Have Slight Advantage in the Team Averages, but the Rival Nines on the Whole Evenly Matched —Favor 54 Days for Summer Tracks.

This is the time of the year when baseball fans begin to figure out the relative strength of rival major league teams, using the official batting and fielding averages of a year ago as a guide. Figures sometimes fail to show the real quality of a ball team, but in the long run they are fairly reliable. Just now there are numerous arguments concerning the relative strength of the Giants and the Highlanders. Figuring with known qualities and records it appears that these teams are pretty evenly matched in batting and fielding, the Giants of course having one distinct advantage in the services of the incomparable Mathewson. In Third Baseman Devlin and Shortstop Bridwell, McGraw's men appear to outclass the Hilltop team in these respective positions, but otherwise American League critics insist that the Highlanders excel with such players as Hal Chase, Earl Gardner, Clyde Engel, Willie Keeler, Sweeney, Criger and others, not mentioning some of the high class pitchers under reserve. But getting back to figures of last year and selecting players of recognized ability and experience who may be regular members this year, some of the fans framed up these comparative teams yesterday as a subject for discussion:

GIANTS.

Player.	Position	Batting.	Fielding.
Mathewson	Pitcher	.268	.966
Myers	Catcher	.277	.962
Tenney	First base	.235	.985
Doyle	Second base	.302	.940
Bridwell	Short stop	.291	.940
Devlin	Third base	.265	.934
Shaw	Left field	.248	.940
Seymour	Centre field	.310	.967
Murray	Right field	.263	.947

Team batting average, .273.
Team fielding average, .953.

HIGHLANDERS.

Player.	Position.	Batting.	Fielding.
Brockett	Pitcher	.285	.931
Sweeney	Catcher	.267	.947
Chase	First base	.285	.978
Gardner	Second base	.329	.945
Austin	Third base	.231	.928
Knight	Shortstop	.236	.901
Engle	Left field	.278	.946
Cree	Centre field	.262	.949
Keeler	Right field	.264	.968

Team batting average, .271.
Team fielding average, .944.

Merkle, who may play first base instead of Tenney, had a batting average of .191 for 71 games, which means that McGraw will probably cling to his veteran first sacker as long as possible. Criger, the Highlanders' new catcher, had a batting average of .170 in 74 games, but he practically led the American League backstops in fielding, with an average of .986.

McGraw's chief task is the strengthening of his pitching department, and he thinks he will accomplish much in this direction with his youngsters, Drucke, Klawitter and Daily. Stallings, on the other hand, is well fixed for pitchers and catchers, but will have to strain a point to bolster up the third base side of the infield and a part of the outfield. Otis Johnson, the California infielder, may displace Austin if he can hit the ball, while Cree and Keeler may have to hustle to keep from being displaced by Daniels and Madden, two phenomenal young players, so the scouts say.

Sam Wise, once a famous shortstop, died at his home in Akron, Ohio., on Sunday. He played his first big league engagement in Boston in 1883 and helped to win the pennant that season. Wise was a six footer and weighed nearly 200 pounds in his palmy days. He was a wonderful infielder and thrower, also a heavy batsman. When Boston let him go he played with Buffalo, Baltimore, Washington and other teams until his arm gave out. In more recent years he was an umpire.

Horsemen who discussed the probable allotment of racing dates yesterday were unanimous in the opinion that a happy solution of the problem now considered by the Jockey Club stewards would be the winding up of the spring meeting at Sheepshead Bay on July 4 and the opening of the fall meeting at this track on Labor Day, September 6. Between these holidays are fifty-four racing days which could be equally divided among Brighton Beach, Saratoga and Empire City, racing in the order named. A leading turfman who believes in harmony said yesterday regarding this plan: "Eighteen days are enough for each of the three summer tracks and I know their owners would be satisfied with such an allotment. This is no time for friction or bickering, and the Jockey Club stewards are doubtless trying to smooth over the situation with justice to everybody. There are plenty of racing days for all the tracks if the schedule is framed without fear or favor."

Stanley Ketchel, who has made up his mind to go to England in search of a match with Tom Thomas, the new middleweight champion, has refused an offer by cable of $6,000 to fling Lang, Burns and the ancient Fitzsimmons in Australia. Ketchel, who will sail for Europe shortly, says he wants to beat Thomas first. Then he will be ready to make a match with Burns to take place either in London or Sydney.

Johnny Coulon, who insists he is the bantam champion, says he will take Pal Moore on at 116 pounds ringside. Jimmy Walsh of Boston, who is regarded by many good judges as the real champion in this class, is also anxious to try conclusions with the seventeen-year-old Quaker. Jimmy De Forest, Moore's manager, is not in a hurry to make these matches and intends to pit the clever youngster against some of the lesser lights for the present.

CLASON POINT YACHT CLUB.

New Organization Formed With H. Buber as Commodore.

The Clason Point Yacht Club has been organized. Several owners of motor boats and sailing craft met recently and perfected the organization and elected these officers: Commodore, H. Buber; treasurer, Niels Toelberg; secretary, J. P. Miller; steward, Henry Niehaus, who form the governing board.

For the present the club will occupy Mr. Niehaus's boathouse at Clason Point, but plans are already under consideration for an up to date new clubhouse sufficient to meet the club's needs for some time to come, and the pier will be extended at once so that both power and sail boats can land at either high or low tide.

The club's moorings and anchorage grounds are in the bay just west of Higg's Farm at Clason Point, so that there is excellent protection from storms as well as from the wash of Sound steamers. The location is one of the best about New York, and there is the added advantage of a marine railway, which makes the new club's home especially adapted to large power boats. This means that boating enthusiasts in this fast growing section of The Bronx will thus be able to save a great deal of valuable time and get to the water quickly, for hitherto they have had to go all the way to City Island to find water deep enough for safe anchorage of power boats.

ICE YACHTING.

The Drub Wins Board of Trade Cup on the Shrewsbury.

LONG BRANCH, N. J., Jan. 24.—Edward Fiedler's Drub, sailing under the colors of the Shrewsbury Ice Boat and Yacht Club, won the Board of Trade Ice Yacht cup to-day, defeating the Hazel L., Isabel and Leroy. The Drub covered the fifteen mile course in 35 minutes 54 seconds, with the Hazel second a minute and a half away, the Isabel third and the Leroy a poor fourth. The Isabel turned the first stake ahead, with the Hazel L a close second. It was a pretty race coming toward the starting point, when by clever sailing the Hazel L. turned first, followed by the Drub, the Isabel retiring to third place. The race afterward was between the Hazel L. and Drub. The Drub began to draw away after the first lap. At times the boats were up in the air, flying on one runner. The summary:

Board of Trade Ice Yacht Cup Race—Distance 15 miles—Drub, Shrewsbury Club, Edward Fiedler, owner, sailed by Capt. Frank Van Brunt. Time, 35:54. Hazel L., William P. Joline, owner, sailed by Capt. Asher Wardell. Time, 37:11. Isabel, Walter Content, owner, sailed by Capt. E. W. Price. Time, 38:08. Leroy, Edwin E. Taber, owner, sailed by Capt. William Duryea. Time, 44:20.

Langford Going to Paris to Fight.

Sam Langford has made arrangements to arrive in Paris, France, about March 1. His manager says he will then accept an offer of a $3,500 guarantee to fight Joe Jeannette and will also accept a challenge from Sam McVey to box twenty rounds for a $2,000 side bet and the largest purse offered. Langford will fight Jim Flynn at Los Angeles on February 8 and will come East immediately after that affair to sail for the other side.

WRANGLING OVER SCHEDULE.

No Results Yet From Joint Meeting in Pittsburg.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 24.—The joint schedule meeting and the rules committee meeting of the National and American leagues were held to-day at the Fort Pitt Hotel.

Rumors of bitter wrangling came from the room where the schedule committees were at work and it is probable that the final fight will be made in the meeting next month. President Ebbets of the Brooklyn club, who leads the fight for the 168 game schedule, appeared to hold his own well in the day's fight. To-night he said:

"If the league will finally adopt the schedule I have prepared they will find it not so bad. They talk about me having so many double headers in it. Well there are just nine. I stand firm on the ground that we cannot give the people too much baseball. This was shown when thousands were turned away daily from each park during the world's series."

It is understood that the American League backed Barney Dreyfuss up at every turn in his fight for the 154 game schedule.

The joint rules committee closed its session shortly before midnight after having worked for more than fourteen hours. There are quite a few changes of importance, for instance:

Each captain must hereafter deliver his batting order to the umpire at the home plate.

A batter may not jump from one batter's box to the other after the pitcher is ready to pitch.

When a ball passes a fielder and hits the umpire, who is on foul ground, the base runner may take as many bases as he can. Previously the runner was allowed but one base.

When a fielder hereafter shall throw his glove or mask at a batted ball, breaking it down, the batter shall be allowed three bases instead of the single base he has been allowed heretofore.

In order to stop yelling and interference from the player's bench the umpire is instructed to fine each offending player $10 for the first offence. On the second offence the entire benchful of substitutes can be sent to the clubhouse, the captain being permitted to call them out as they are needed.

The terms "wild pitch" and "passed ball" have been eliminated from baseball. Hereafter they will be placed down as plain errors. In running down a player between bases the man getting the putout shall also get an assist in case he shall have made a pass with the ball in the play.

Hereafter when first and second bases are occupied the umpire behind the plate shall when the ball is hit fair run to third base and judge the play at that point while the field umpire will remain at first, to take the play there.

A story was circulated that the Boston National League club was about to pass into the hands of a syndicate controlled by A. C. Anson of Chicago, who is here conferring with Pittsburg stockholders of the club. The story was to the effect that Anson had spent part of the day conferring with John P. Harris, the principal stockholder of the Boston team; that he had then conferred with another stockholder, supposed to be Capt. John Moren, and had spent the remainder of the day trying to get Lee Moren, also a stockholder, on the long distance phone. Harris denies that he is thinking of selling out to Anson.

GEORGETOWN IN AGAIN.

Washingtonians Accept Invitation to Compete in Poughkeepsie Regatta.

It was reported here yesterday that Georgetown had accepted an invitation from the Intercollegiate Rowing Association to compete in the regatta over the Poughkeepsie-Highland course on June 25. It is probable that Georgetown will put in both freshman and varsity eights.

Georgetown has not been represented at Poughkeepsie since 1907. Then the varsity eight finished sixth in a field of seven, defeating Syracuse. In the early part of the season of 1908 the varsity crew was disbanded because of lack of funds. There was no varsity crew last year. Only recently new interest was stirred up by the reengagement of Pat Dempsey as coach. Dempsey had Georgetown in charge some years ago.

When Dempsey took hold again, only a few weeks ago, it was announced there was a chance that the crew would go back to the intercollegiate regatta. Dempsey found some good material at Georgetown, the best, he said, he ever had had outside of 1903, when his crew finished second to Cornell, the best showing Georgetown made in the regatta.

MEXICAN TO RACE HERE.

President of Juarez Jockey Club Will Have a Big Stable.

JUAREZ, Mexico, Jan. 24.—Don Alberto Terrazas, president of the Jockey Club Juarez, will race a big stable of horses on the metropolitan tracks this summer. Mr. Terrazas and Price McKinney, a stockholder in the track here and a millionaire steel magnate of Cleveland, Ohio, are partners in the racing stable. The horses will race in the name of Terrazas, and the colors, which have been registered for life are "white, green stripes and red cap," which are the colors of the Republic of Mexico.

Maxey Hirsch, the well known Eastern trainer, has been engaged as trainer, and he has already purchased twelve two-year-olds, all well bred youngsters, from A. B. Spreckels of California. The stable has made a big entry in all the classic two-year-old events to be run this summer in the East. Mr. Terrazas is a millionaire with extensive mining interests in Mexico. He is the son of Gen. Luis Terrazas, and they own together a large part of northern Mexico.

ARMY'S FOOTBALL DATES.

Games With Harvard and Yale Included in the Nine Contests Scheduled.

WEST POINT, N. Y., Jan. 24.—That football will be played at West Point next year is assured by the completion of the next season's schedule which is composed of nine games. With the exception of Bowdoin on October 1, which will be the first game, the schedule has the same teams as last year. Yale will again be the third game with Harvard two weeks later. These are the only two big teams the Cadets will meet. Washington and Jefferson has been dropped and Bowdoin taken on in its place.

It is almost certain that Lieut. Henry M. Nelly who has had such excellent results with the team for the past two years will again be head coach. Pullen and Chamberlain are the only two varsity men that the soldiers lose by graduation this year.

The schedule follows:

October 1, Bowdoin; 8, Tufts; 15, Yale; 22, Lehigh; 29, Harvard; November 5, Springfield Training School; 12, Villanova; 19, Trinity; 25, Navy.

All the games are to be played at West Point with the exception of the one with the Navy, which will be at Franklin Field, Philadelphia.

Knickerbocker Y. C. Officers.

The members of the Knickerbocker Yacht Club at their annual meeting recently elected the following officers: Commodore, J. B. Palmer, M. D.; vice-commodore, C. P. Loeser; rear commodore, C. H. Willmore; treasurer, George H. Cooper; secretary, J. O. Sinkinson; measurer, George J. Stelz; fleet surgeon, G. H. Hamlen, M. D.; board of directors, T. Rodman Sands, Harry Stephenson, Louis H. Zocher, W. B. Beam and Alfred Schoen. The members have gone in for ice yachting this winter and a fair sized fleet is ready at Port Washington to compete for prizes as soon as the ice forms again.

Chess.

German exchanges which came to hand yesterday state that the international chess congress will be opened at Hamburg in July. Dr. Lasker, Dr. Tarrasch, Carl Schlechter, A. Rubinstein, Geza Maroczy, D. Janowski and Frank J. Marshall will be invited to play in the grand masters' tourney, and eighteen lesser lights will be allowed to play in a minor event. Both these tourneys begin on July 18.

Frank J. Marshall and Herbet Rosenfeld are engaged in a best of ten games match at the Manhattan Chess Club. Both the first and second games were won by Marshall.

College Athletics.

Williams has Kelley, Lester, Alexander and Angevene left of the relay squad which won last year from Amherst in 3 minutes 31 4-5 seconds. Angevene was a substitute last season.

Williams on April 30, Tech on May 7 and Trinity on May 14 will be Wesleyan's rivals in track athletics this year.

J. P. Jones, the Cornell freshman who made a clean up of the cross-country races to which he was eligible last fall at Ithaca, was a crack distance runner at Exeter. If he doesn't come under the hoodoo influence that has been at work at Cornell he ought to be a point winner in future I. C. A. A. A. A. meets.

Penn's hockey men are looking forward with eagerness to the time when a rink will be established in Philadelphia.

E. P. Hubble of Chicago, who has qualified for the Rhodes scholarship, has his varsity C for basketball and track. J. K. Watkins of Michigan, another intending Rhodes man, has a varsity letter for football.

PRO GOLFERS TO PLAY ABROAD

AMERICANS WILL MEET BRITISH TEAM ON FEBRUARY 16.

Match to Be Held on a Course Near London—J. H. Taylor Will Captain the Foreign Team—Aleck Smith to Lead Americans—Palm Beach This Week.

Although *Golf Illustrated* of January 14 states that a published report in Great Britain of the match having been arranged is untrue letters of the same date at hand assert that the American professionals at home for the winter have been taken on for a contest by the resident talent. Arrangements according to the correspondent were arranged by H. H. Barker of the Garden City Golf Club, who was secretary of the committee to send the challenge over in November. The match is to be on February 16 at a course near London and J. H. Taylor is named as captain of the British team. Aleck Smith will captain the American team, which will include Gil Nicholls, Isaac Mackie, James Maiden, David Hunter, Peter Robertson and any others who may be available.

The British open championship will be at St. Andrews June 17 to 25.

This comment on Sunday golfing and a custom somewhat prevalent in this country, based on the principle that what the eyes do not see the heart need not grieve over, is from London *Truth*:

The North Manchester Golf Club has been agitated over the question of Sunday play, and by way of a compromise with the unco' guid a rule is now proposed to permit play on Sundays over only the first eight and last two holes. The explanation is that whereas these ten holes are to some extent screened from observation by a railway embankment, the remaining eight are open to the public view from the neighboring main roads.

I have come across many quaint manifestations in Sabbatarianism, but for nauseous hypocrisy I think this arrangement takes the cake.

Garden G. Smith takes *Truth* to task in *Golf Illustrated*. He states ignorance of the circumstances but does not see where the "nauseous hypocrisy" comes in. "The golfers apparently have denied themselves play over eight of their holes on Sundays in order that their Sabbatarian brethren who pass by may not be offended by the spectacle of what they regard as Sabbath-breaking," continues Smith. "As far as the golfers are concerned, it is a case of self-denial instead of hypocrisy. *Truth* surely does not mean to suggest that the Sabbatarians themselves play on Sundays at the holes which are hidden from the public view."

Henry C. Rew, an enthusiastic American golfer who has done a great deal for the San Remo Golf Club, has sent 500 francs to Mr. Hay-Gordon, secretary of the Nice Golf Club, to start a subscription for the purchase of a combined motor roller and lawn mower, which he thinks is all that is required to make the San Remo golf links a veritable paradise for golfers.

Carnoustie has furnished the amateur champion of India for three years past. Alex. Mann, who won the 1909 title in December at the Tollygunge course, Calcutta, also won in 1907 and David Scroggie of the same town won in 1908.

PALM BEACH, Fla., Jan. 24.—New York is to be well represented in the new year's tournament over the Palm Beach links to-morrow, as nearly half the entries are from members of clubs in the metropolitan district. Outside entrants who have been playing well include Walter Fairbanks of Denver, the veteran golfer, who has held all the important Florida titles in past years; R. H. McElwee, one of the best players at Onwentsia; M. M. Forrest of Lakewood, and F. C. Miller of the Town and Country Club.

Some of the Eastern players entered are Archie McClure, Albany; V. B. Hubbell, Englewood; J. E. Way and F. J. Phillips, Dyker Meadow; W. R. Sanford and J. P. Robertson, Montclair; A. P. Clapp and A. E. Emiley, Garden City; Irving S. Malzell, Long Island; S. S. Spaulding, W. H. Moffett, F. Sidway, W. J. Conners, the Democratic leader of Buffalo, and L. P. Myers.

RICKARD BACKED UP BY JEFF.

Promoter Promises to Post $101,000 in Behalf of Salt Lake City.

Tex Rickard, who has boldly asserted that the Jeffries-Johnson fight will take place at Salt Lake City in spite of the statement to the contrary by Gov. Spry of Utah, wired Stakeholder T. D. Sullivan yesterday that he would post the entire purse of $101,000 within the next two weeks as a guarantee of good faith. Rickard has notified Jeffries personally that he will put up this sum, and the boilermaker, who is at Salt Lake City, says that if Rickard makes good there will be nothing left to do but report at the ring side in the Salt Palace Pavilion on July 4.

According to direct information received here from Rickard yesterday, Gov. Spry will change his mind about interfering with the fight as soon as he has heard from the business men of Salt Lake City and the leaders of the Mormon Church if necessary. Rickard says, the Utah Legislature will either amend the present law against prizefighting in that State or will repeal it altogether. He states that his backers in promoting the fight and subscribing the big purse include A. Fred Wey, a leading hotel man, who has organized the Business Men's League, and the Saltair Beach Company, of which the leading officers are Joseph Nelson, son-in-law of President Joseph Smith of the Mormon Church, and J. F. Langford, an influential politician. He sends word too that alterations in the big arena will be finished not later than April 1 and that the seating capacity will accommodate 30,000 persons. Rickard states further that all expenses will be shouldered by himself and associates and that Jack Gleason cuts no figure in the arrangements.

CRICKET.

Bensonhurst Members Elect Officers and Distribute Prizes.

Members of the Bensonhurst Cricket Club of Brooklyn have elected an exceptionally long list of officers for the ensuing season, no less than thirty offices being filled. In addition to the cricket there will be a tennis department. Last year's prize winners have also been announced, and they were presented with the following prizes which were donated by the club president, W. De M. Hooper: C. F. Marshall for highest score in a Metropolitan League match, cricket bat; E. B. Reece, for highest average in all matches, cricket bat; J. M. Christie, highest bowling average in Metropolitan League matches, cricket bat; J. D. Laidman, highest batting average in Metropolitan League matches, B team, cricket bat; A. L. Gresham, highest bowling average in Metropolitan League matches, B team, cricket bat; F. S. Franklin, fielding prize, A team, cricket pads; A. Martin, fielding prize, B team, cricket pads. Pads were also given to R. Eckstrin and A. B. Otteson for their good work at fielding.

The officers elected for 1910 are:

President, W. De M. Hooper; vice-president, G. Deivalle; honorary vice-president, Thomas Beet; honorary treasurer, P. C. McAteer; honorary secretary, E. Beecroft, 149 Flerrepont street, Brooklyn; captain team A, C. F. Marshall; vice-captain, E. B. Reece; captain team B, A. L. Gresham; vice-captain, F. D. Laidman; executive committee, A. H. Walrond, F. S. Franklin, C. F. Marshall, A. L. Gresham, C. Harding; cricket committee, C. F. Marshall, A. L. Gresham, E. B. Reece, F. D. Laidman, F. S. Franklin; tennis committee, E. B. Reece, G. Evelyn, Ivan Johnson; ground committee, W. De M. Hooper, P. C. McAteer, A. H. Walrond; membership committee, A. H. Walron, P. C. McAteer, G. Deivalle; auditing committee, J. F. Laidman, R. C. Reece.

Larchmont Y. C. to Mortgage Property.

MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., Jan. 24.—The Larchmont Yacht Club was granted permission to-day by Justice Mills of the Supreme Court at White Plains to mortgage its property for $250,000 to pay outstanding indebtedness and to take up outstanding mortgage bonds amounting to $150,000. The application was made by Commodore Leonard Richard and in the petition it is set forth that the club's debts amount to $239,940 94, of which $150,000 is secured by a mortgage. The new bonds are to be secured by a mortgage which will be taken up by the Farmers Loan and Trust Company as trustee and the value of the clubhouse and grounds is fixed at $350,000. After taking up the old mortgage the $100,000 balance is to be used for discharging the outstanding debts, loans and other obligations of the club.

Hobbs to Coach Amherst Football Team.

AMHERST, Mass., Jan. 22.—Football was definitely assured of its place in Amherst's sports to-day with the announcement of Henry H. Hobbs, Yale's famous tackle, as coach for next season. Hobbs will have complete charge over the team's development and Manager McCague stated that whether the graduate coach system would be in vogue or not would depend on the new coach.

YANKEE HORSES IN BIG CHASE.

Simon Pure II., Precentor II. and Hypnos Entered for Grand National.

American owners and horses figure well among the list of seventy entries for the Liverpool Grand National this year. Simon Pure II. has been entered by G. F. Saportas, who, it will be remembered, took a string of chasers to France some time ago. Two years ago the horse ran here on the local tracks and in first rate company won several good races. He is now a six-year-old, and as the racing calendar has it, is prepared privately for the big chase. It was reported at one time that Saportas, who was once a sprinter and a member of the New York A. C., had sold all of his string but the nomination of Simon Pure is an indication that perhaps he kept a few of the best animals. Though a rather light horse Simon Pure II. showed he could jump well and stay, and if he is rated at 140 pounds or so in the National he may duplicate the victory of Rubio two years ago. Foxhall P. Keene has a nomination in Precentor II., who, like Simon Pure, is undergoing private preparation. M. Pfizer is in the race with Hypnos, a five-year-old, trained in France. John J. Astor has a nomination in Schwarmer, an aged animal with not much of a record.

The list is headed by King Edward's Flaxman and there is Lutteur III., last year's winner and the horse who credited France with its first victory. Others who came home in the order named a year ago are Judas, Canbeen, Tom West, Hercules II., Leinster, Shady Girl and Cassey. Canbeen is the property of F. Bibby and he has other nominations in Wickham and Glenside.

Assheton Smith's trio are Cackler, Jerry M. and Holy War. He had this trio in last year but scratched after the weights had been published as the thought they were harshly treated by the handicapper. Cackler, who is regarded as the most powerful chaser since Manifesto or Cloister, was allotted 175 pounds, a thing unheard of in the race for a five-year-old and more especially as he had not previously figured in the race. As he has improved with age he will probably have the top weight again this year with perhaps Lutteur III. as a companion.

There is a French five-year-old in the Comte G. de Castelbajac's Bonfire II. Stanley Howard, whose candidate Eremon scored such a sensational victory three years ago, has an unknown this time in Kilmucklin. The race will be run on March 18.

SKATING.

Interesting Events Decided in St. Nicholas Rink—Lamy Defeated.

Four interesting skating races were decided in the St. Nicholas Skating Rink last night and a crowd of enthusiasts turned out to watch the sport. E. Lamy was the chief attraction, and many wondered if he would be able to successfully negotiate the short turns on the rink ice, where the track is sixteen laps to the mile. Lamy started in the half mile handicap and did well until the last turn. He was then well up with the leaders and was preparing to go through them when he fell. His thirteen-year-old brother, Claudius Lamy, was a big attraction too. He started in the half mile and mile handicaps from the strangers' mark, and although he did not win either race he made a very good showing. He wore a flaming red costume which made him easily distinguishable.

The mile handicap was won by K. P. Dayton of the New York A. C. He started from the 55 yard mark and was able to get home just a few inches on front of W. Buckholder of the Riverside S. C., who had a handicap of 80 yards. Buckholder won the half mile handicap. F. Britton of the Hockey Club graduated from the ranks of novices by winning that race and L. Goerlitz of Public School 87 won the quarter mile race for boys.

The summaries:

Quarter Mile Handicap, Boys—Won by L. Goerlitz, Public School 87, 50 yards; E. Byrd, Public School 166, 20 yards, second; J. D. Jenkins, Public School 87, 60 yards, third. Time, 53 1-5 seconds.

Half Mile Handicap—Won by W. Buckholder, Riverside S. C., 60 yards; W. Kuhne, N. Y. A. C., 35 yards, second; A. W. Moller, Riverside S. C., 50 yards, third. Time, 1 minute 31 seconds.

Half Mile Novice—Won by F. Britton, Hockey Club; F. Swenson, unattached, second; J. H. Pike, Ardsley A. C., third. Time, 1 minute 55 seconds.

Mile Handicap—Won by K. P. Dayton, N. Y. A. C., 55 yards; W. Buckholder, Riverside S. C., 80 yards, second; W. T. Niell, Lotus Club, Hoboken, 60 yards, third. Time, 3 minutes 11 3-5 seconds.

JACKSONVILLE RACES.

Pulka, at 40 to 1, and Pocomoke Win for J. Hewitt.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Jan. 24.—Three favorites were returned winners at Moncrief Park to-day, while two well backed horses took two of the other races. Pulka, a 40 to 1 chance, won the third race for J. Hewitt, and his stable companion, Pocomoke, won the handicap. Pocomoke equalled the track record for the distance made by Ozana a few days ago.

Jockey Butwell, who has been on the suspended list for several weeks, will be in the saddle to-morrow. Powers rode two winners. The summaries:

First Race—Six furlongs—Sandy Hill, 107 (Powers), 9 to 5, won; Amyl, 95 (King), 4 to 1, second; Allonby, 111 (Nicol), 12 to 1, third. Time, 1:14. Dan Lehan, Clevine, Edentaia, Square Deal, Henry Crescaddin, Herdsman, Gallien Lass, Zymole, Mary Rue and The Mackintosh also ran.

Second Race—Five and a half furlongs—King Avondale, 110 (Reiff), 3 to 5, won; Stringency, 106 (Troxler), 7 to 1, second; Enlist, 105 (Hannan), 40 to 1, third. Time, 1:07 2-5. Harold Hall, Sandpiper, Giovanni Raggio, Birdslayer and Jessica also ran.

Third Race—Six furlongs—Pulka, 102 (S. Davis), 40 to 1, won; Milton B., 111 (Goldstein), 15 to 1, second; Carroll, 109 (Troxler), 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:13 3-5. Grandissimo, Indian Maid, Magualen, Dress Parade II., and Ameret also ran.

Fourth Race—One mile—Pocomoke, 98 (O. Fain), 6 to 1, won; Illilo, 108 (Powers), 3 to 1, second; Dr. Barkley, 111 (Nicol), 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:39 4-5. Cowan, County Clerk and Quagga also ran.

Fifth Race—Six furlongs—Seymour Beutler, 109 (Powers), 3 to 5, won; Grenade, 107 (Ganz), 20 to 1, second; C. W. Burt, 117 (S. Davis), 30 to 1, third. Time, 1:13. Flaxen, Ballet Boy, Dekalb, Waponoca and Oiseau also ran.

Sixth Race—One mile—Skyo, 109 (McGee), 9 to 2, won; Endymion, 109 (King), 20 to 1, second; Killiecrankie, 109 (Bergen), 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:41 1-5. Flarney, Topsy Robinson, Jack Baker, Admonish, Night Mist, Aunt Kate, First Premium, Billy Pullman, Gramsas and Elysium also ran.

Auxiliary for W. E. Iselin

The auxiliary schooner which was designed by A. Cary Smith for William E. Iselin some time ago is to be built. The contract for building the vessel has been placed with the Lawley company of Boston and work will be started at once. This yacht is to be 100 feet on the water line and will be a most up to date vessel, having lots of accommodations, plenty of sail area, and of good wholesome type fitted for long cruises. Auxiliaries are growing more and more popular with those yachtsmen who can afford large yessels. They have the advantage of being used as sailing craft and being raced in some regattas and then their motors can be used in light weather or when entering harbors or navigating narrow channels. Mr. Iselin has owned the old cup defender Vigilant for several years. That yacht is rigged as a yawl and she has been raced by Mr. Iselin and he has made many long cruises in that famous vessel. Last summer she took part in the run to Portland, and was one of the few that reached Portland without having to put into some harbor until the storm had subsided.

Billiards

C. Scheidig, 235, won last night's game in the amateur handicap 18.2 tournament at the Knickerbocker Academy in Brooklyn, defeating George Baxter, 200, by a score of 235 to 131. Scheidig made a high run of 45 and averaged 5 20-43. Baxter's best run was 19. He averaged 3 2-43. C. E. White, 275, will play W. St. John, 260, to-night.

Thomas Heuston, the pool champion who is matched to play Jerome Keogh for the world's pool championship next week, played two games yesterday at John Doyle's Broadway room. In the afternoon Heuston defeated R. Fisher by a score of 100 to 54, making a high run of 19. In the evening game he won from W. Fraley by a score of 100 to 34, making a high run of 21. This afternoon he will meet E. Gilmore, and tonight his opponent will be Alex Smith.

There were two games played yesterday in the amateur handicap 18.2 tournament at Flynn's Park place room. In the afternoon E. Ware, 115, beat C. Nahmacher, 200, by a score of 115 to 123, with a high run of 9 and an average of 2 15-50. The loser averaged 2 23-50 and his high run was 23. In the evening Ware, 115, beat J. Rosen, 140, by a score of 115 to 121. Ware made a high run of 15. Rosen's best run was 13.

Yachting Notes.

Elmer A. Chadwick of Lynn has sold his sloop Iwaki to Charles H. Sherburne of the Corinthian Yacht Club through the Hollis Burgess agency.

The Revere Yacht Club has elected these officers: Commodore, James H. Strong; vice-commodore, Emil Rohmer; secretary-treasurer, Thomas Hannan; directors, T. J. Foley and George Lee. The clubhouse, which was badly damaged during the Christmas storm, is to be thoroughly repaired.

AMONG THE AUTOMOBILISTS

WANTS 1,000 MEMBERS FOR BROOKLYN ORGANIZATION.

President Alderman Asks Associates in Long Island Automobile Club to Increase Numerical Strength—Newark Motorists Have Annual Banquet.

Allen C. Alderman, president of the Long Island Automobile Club and former chairman of the club's membership committee, thinks the big organization in Brooklyn ought to have at least 1,000 active members and has appealed to the automobilists now enrolled in the organization to do all they can to bring the numerical total up to the figures named. The total membership of the club at the present time is 689, of whom 617 are resident or active members, 67 non-resident, 4 honorary and 1 life.

While President Alderman admits the present numerical strength is not so bad he thinks there ought to be a great many more names on the club rolls considering the number of automobiles that are owned by men living on Long Island. While he was chairman of the membership committee President Alderman was personally responsible for the addition of a great many new names to the club membership list and is still continuing his efforts in this direction. Of the four applicants for membership to be voted on at the regular monthly meeting to-morrow night, one was proposed by President Alderman and he seconded two of the other applicants. The prospective members are Frank H. Clark, M. D., John F. Edwards, Frank E. Foster and George H. Montrose.

More than 250 members of the New Jersey Automobile and Motor Club were present last night at the annual banquet of the organization in the new Auditorium, Newark. W. Clive Crosby, president of the club, acted as toastmaster. Among those who made addresses were former Governor Edward C. Stokes, J. B. R. Smith, State commissioner of motor vehicles; former United States Senator James Smith, Jr., and Vivian M. Lewis. Col. Austen Colgate and Thomas A. Edison were among those present.

When attempting to start an engine fitted with magneto ignition, of which the firing point is fixed, there is always danger of a backfire occurring and damaging the operator's arm. The reason is that when no arrangement is fitted for varying the time of ignition the magneto armature is set so that the spark takes place early—in fact slightly forward of the end of the compression stroke. Consequently if the starting handle be cranked slowly a backfire is likely to result.

This advanced position is necessary to enable the engine to run at high speeds. To safely start such an engine the course to adopt is as follows: Put the switch to the "off" position, then swing the engine crankshaft around smartly for a few revolutions after the throttle has been opened and the carbureter float tickled. Then put the switch to the "on" position and pull the starting handle up smartly over the firing centre by means of a looped cleaning cloth. It will be found that a very smart pull over can be obtained by this method and if a backfire occurs the cloth will be pulled out of the operator's hand without injuring him.

Deputy Consul-General Carl R. Loop describes as the most successful ever given the annual Olympia show held recently in London under the auspices of the British Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders.

Although the show is becoming a social event of the horse show variety it presents an excellent opportunity for prospective buyers to compare the various cars on exhibition and for dealers to present the merits of their machines. The attendance was remarkable, being 183,461 for the eight days of the show, exceeding last year by 41,611, and caused the suggestion that one or two days be set apart with an admission fee sufficiently large to exclude all but prospective buyers. A most striking trade feature was that approximately 80 per cent. of the cars exhibited were moderate priced, showing the demand for that class, notwithstanding the undiminished demand for the higher priced cars.

The American made car can hardly be said to enjoy the favor in England that it deserves, largely because early introductions were not well built and did not last long. If American manufacturers of well constructed automobiles would compete for trade in this country they must disarm the Englishman of his prejudices and meet the prices of domestic makes. They must be prepared to supply repairs locally and without delay, which involves the establishment of branch houses, with American representatives in charge. The United Kingdom is the greatest user of the automobile of any country, due to the tastes of its people and its good roads, and the American manufacturer would do well to seek this market.

Col. Frank M. Joyce of Minneapolis, who has been president of the Minnesota State Automobile Association for the last three years, has announced he cannot accept the office for another term, and the officers of the clubs holding membership in the State body are looking for another candidate to be voted on at the annual election this week.

The city treasury of Indianapolis received the sum of $6,191 during 1909 from owners and drivers of cars, 1,250 cars being registered at $3 each and 2,441 drivers securing licenses at $1 each. There were about 7,500 cars registered in the State of Indiana at $1 each. The previous records in registrations and licenses were broken for both Indianapolis and the State of Indiana.

The board of governors of the Automobile Club of Philadelphia has practically concluded arrangements for the construction of a club garage that will be able to accommodate about four hundred cars, the building to be at least four stories and basement and of the most approved style of concrete construction. It is planned to pay $200,000 for the site of the garage, the club to raise the money either by a first mortgage or by first mortgage bonds, as the governors decide. The cost of erecting and equipping the building is to be met by a second mortgage for $300,000, to be underwritten by the members who subscribe for one or more of the bond units of $500.

Only $200,000 of the second mortgage bonds are to be sold at the present time, the remaining $100,000 to be held in the club treasury for future enlargements to the garage building and equipment. The second mortgage bonds are to be offered at 95. The members who have subscribed for the bonds have the prior right to store their cars in the building when it is completed, and after they have been accommodated the other members of the club will have the right to store their cars in the club garage.

Early Football Work at Yale

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Jan. 24.—It was announced here to-night that the Yale football candidates would be called together in the gymnasium the latter part of the week for preliminary work and that Capt. Daly and ex-Capt. Coy would have charge of the drill. Only once before have the candidates been called out as early as this, this being last year, when Capt. Coy put his men through some early season stunts on the gym floor. About fifty men will report to Capt. Daly Thursday and after the Easter holidays the usual out of door practice will be held.

Hockey.

The match between the St. Nicholas Skating Club and the New York Athletic Club hockey teams to-night in the St. Nicholas Skating Rink promises to be a hot one. By winning to-night the St. Nicholas team will still have a good chance to win the championship, as there will be a triple tie for first place. Castleman will play and has resumed the captaincy of the New York A. C. team, and it is said that he has induced Jimmy Shirreff to play again. Shirreff's foot was cut early in the winter and poisoned. If he does play he will not be in shape for a hot game. To-morrow night Princeton and Yale will meet. This game may settle the championship of the Intercollegiate League. Yale in order to win has got to defeat every other team in the league. Should Princeton win the team will have the championship.

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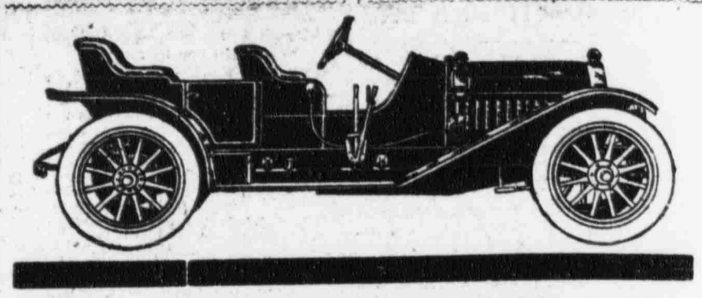

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