BASEBALL Bob Groom Still Outside the Fold GEORGETOWN Plays Strong Mt. St. Joseph's To-day ROWING Zappone Tells Plans for National Regatta

GROOM IS STILL OUT

Lanky Twirler at Norfolk; Has Not Seen McAleer.

MAY MEAN TROUBLE AHEAD

Says There Is No Need of Hurry—Elberfeld Reports to Team To-day. May Cause Shake-up in Infield. Will Have to Hustle Some to Make Better Showing Than Conroy.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Norfolk, Va., March 20.—Pitcher Bob Groom is still a holdout of the Nationals—that is, if failure to sign either of two contracts offered him constitutes a holdout. Bob carried his usual smile to-day, but there was nothing doing in the contract line.

"Have you signed yet?" he was asked to-day by The Washington Herald correspondent.

"Not yet," he replied. It was suggested to Bob that the time for the affixing of his signature to a contract is growing short.

"Oh, I have almost a month yet," the tall, loose-jointed twirler responded, "and there is no special need of being in a hurry about it.

"No; McAleer has not said anything to me yet on the subject, nor I to him. The manager has been so busy that we have had no time for it. I guess we will get together soon and arrive at an understanding. I do not look for any trouble, but it may be met with. I will sign if terms suit me; but if not, I will not."

Situation Is Puzzling.

The status of Groom is a little puzzling, to say the least. The fact that he is staying here may be taken to indicate that he reasonably expects to sign. And, then, again, the fact that he has not reached an agreement with McAleer, nor even talked matters over with him, may be taken to indicate that trouble is ahead between the pitcher and club management.

The information that Elberfeld will arrive here to-morrow morning is gratifying to McAleer. It would be impossible to overlook Elberfeld on any team, and his advent in the National camp will probably be accompanied by a noise. The effect that his arrival will have on the present make-up of the infield of the Nationals remains to be seen. Doubtless McAleer will look the kid over before he decides just what disposition to make of him.

Elberfeld or Conroy to Bench.

It will doubtless be the bench for either the Kid or Conroy, but if the former displays better form at third than the latter has done since he has been here, he will have to hustle. Conroy's work seems to be near perfect.

Another Sunday brought the Nationals one more day of rest. It was the first they have had since last Sunday, and doubtless they were entitled to it. The weather was pleasant, and the players spent most of the day out of doors. They are expecting good morning and afternoon workouts to-morrow.

The supporters of the Nationals here were much pleased with the showing that the team made in the game against Norfolk yesterday. Of course, the Nationals did not have to exert themselves to win from Norfolk, but they seemed to have the ability to do much more than lick Norfolk.

SHILLING WILL GET LICENSE.

New York Jockey Will Be Able to Ride at Aqueduct.

New York, March 20.—It was said on excellent authority here to-day that Jockey Carroll Shilling would receive a license from the Jockey Club in time to begin riding at Aqueduct. Shilling has signed a contract with S. C. Hildreth, and it is understood that second and third calls on his services will be secured by F. R. Hitchcock and H. K. Knapp, respectively.

GILMORE VS. LOCKHEAD.

Will Wrestle at Basket-ball Game Saturday Night.

The Central Y. M. C. A. meets Georgetown University in the final game of the season next Saturday night. Between the halves there has been arranged a wrestling bout between Hugh Gilmore, of Princeton, who last year held the championship belt in the 135-pound class, and Frank Lockhead, of the Washington Y. M. C. A., who was at one time the holder of the welter-weight championship of the District for three years.

The men have never met before, and the contest should prove exceedingly interesting to the local followers of the sport.

SEATS WILL BE $5 TO $50.

Official Figures for Peep at Jeffries-Johnson Mill.

San Francisco, March 20.—Tex Rickard to-night made an official statement that seat prices for the Jeffries-Johnson fight will range from $5 to $50, instead of from $10 to $100. The promoters have figured that there will be 30,000 seats, and striking an average of $22 a seat, and if the fight plays to capacity, there will be over $650,000 in the box office.

There will be no bleacher seats. Every seat will be reserved, even $5 ones. There will probably be 5,000 of lower price seats, although the question is not fully determined. The arena will be constructed like a theater, with each tier of seats three inches above the lower one.

Y. M. C. A. Tennis to Start Soon.

The Y. M. C. A. tennis courts, located at Twenty-first and B streets northwest, will be opened for the summer next Monday. The Y. M. C. A. courts in this city are among the best to be found here, and are very popular among the local followers of this interesting warm-weather sport.

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FOXY ABE ATTELL.

Famous boxer who gained decision over Johnny Marto in New York last week.

MORE TIME TO MEET.

Racing at Emeryville Will Be Extended to April 27.

San Francisco, March 20.—President Thomas H. Williams announces that racing at the Emeryville track will be extended for twenty days when the original 100 days' session ends on April 7. He says there may be further extension to carry the sport up to May 15, when work on the huge amphitheater for the Jeffries-Johnson fight will begin.

FUNERAL HELD TO-MORROW

Body of James J. Hogan, Yale Football Star, in Home Town.

Torrington, Conn., Scene of Last Rites for Famous Captain of Old Eli's Football Team.

New Haven, Conn., March 20.—The body of James J. Hogan, former captain of Yale's football eleven, was taken from this city to-day to his home in Torrington, Conn., where the funeral services will be held on Tuesday morning in the Roman Catholic church. Hogan was brought in a special car on Saturday to this city and was placed in a private hospital. The change was made to get better medical and hospital facilities for the sick man. He died at 1:40 o'clock this morning. The cause of death was acute uraemia, induced by Bright's disease, from which he had suffered for about a year.

Mr. Hogan was born in Ireland thirty-six years ago. He came to America at an early age, and with his parents went to live in Torrington. He got a common school education in Torrington and worked in factories there. When he made up his mind to go to college he was twenty-four years old. He entered Exeter Preparatory School. It wasn't long before he attracted attention as an athlete, and became a member of the football squad. He was later elected captain of the Exeter eleven.

He was a great friend of Trainer Mike Murphy, and it is said that it was largely through Murphy's influence that Hogan entered Yale. He went on the football squad at Yale from the very first year he was in college, and wound up his college career as captain of the 'varsity eleven. He graduated from Yale in 1905, and from the Columbia Law School three years later.

He was deputy street commissioner in New York for one year, and resigned in January last to take up the practice of law.

BASEBALL NOTES AND COMMENT

The Athletics met Commander Peary last week. Billy Murray should have been in the party. He knows what a real frost is.

Milwaukee is famous for something in addition to that which it advertises. Manager McCloskey is the only manager in the American Association who hasn't claimed the championship for 1910.

Arlie Latham is the only rival of Edward Payson Weston and J. Pierpont Morgan for giving age the laugh. On his fiftieth birthday in the Marlin last week the former great third baseman stole second and third.

Is Horace Fogel a foxy German or is he not? After a week spent in Philadelphia, the president of the Phillies returned to Southern Pines on St. Patrick's Day and brought with him a bunch of shamrocks and Irish favors.

The Amherst College baseball team starts on its annual Southern trip March 24, playing at West Raleigh, N. C., March 25; at Durham, N. C., March 26 and 28; at Chapel Hill, N. C., March 29 and 30; at Charlottesville, Va., April 1; at Annapolis, April 2, and here, April 4, against Penn.

Bill Dahlen looks to have a strong combination to start the season with. Now, if Charley Ebbets will only remain at his desk in the office, Dahlen may bring the Brooklyns home in a good position. Brooklyn is well fortified in the outfield. Wheat is surely a find, and Hunter should develop into one of the best hitting outfielders in the National League.

The veteran baseball authority, Tim Murnan, in speaking of individual star players on a team, adds:

"Should Wagner have an off year, it would make hard sledding for Barney Dreyfuss. Should Ty Cobb spring a charley horse, it would be an easy matter to beat out the Tigers. The failure of Mathewson to show real form would make a second-division club of the Giants, while Evers out of shape would take the life from the Chicago Cubs." Here is where the Athletics differ from the bunch. So long as Connie Mack stays in the game, there never will come a time when the local American League combination will not be a factor to reckon with.

Abe Attell is going to clean up enough kale to pass the summer in comfort, and he has arranged a string of matches to carry him along.

PLAY AGAIN TO-DAY

Georgetown and Mount St. Joseph's Will Clash.

OTHER GOSSIP OF THE DIAMOND

Saturday's Victory Over Maryland Aggies Enthuses Hilltoppers—Gonzaga Preps Make Good Showing Against Catholic University—Independence League to Call Meeting.

Georgetown will cross bats with the Mount St. Joseph's College nine on the West End diamond this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The showing made by the local collegians in Saturday's game with the Maryland Agricultural College was such as to inspire the Hilltoppers with confidence, and the team will be in fine fettle for to-day's battle. Wymard will open the game for the local university.

The good weather of yesterday gave Georgetown players a chance to put in another hard day's work in practice, and special attention was devoted to batting, in the hope of strengthening that department.

While Georgetown made 11 hits off Goeltz and Wright Saturday, yet the bingles for the most part came in the fifth and seventh sessions, when the Aggies were wabbling and were up in the air, and the Hilltoppers are not sure that they are strong enough with the willow.

O'Connor, who toed the slab Saturday, proved a surprise to those who witnessed the game, and there are many of the opinion that he will prove to be a find.

The Gonzaga Preps are showing mid-season form, although most of the teams have yet to get down to hard work. In a practice game with the Catholic University recently, the Preps showed up in great style and scored six tallies off the 'varsity nine. The final score was 12 to 6. Marsden, on third base, looks like he is made of the real stuff, and in the last game handled some nasty bunts in a very impressive manner. Triplett, Fennel, and Mayhew are three other boys on the Gonzaga team that will bear watching.

As the Marines will not have a baseball team this season in the Capital City League, Manager Shurtleiff will assist Mr. Cornell with the Cornell & Co. team.

President Harry F. Worley, of the Independence League, stated yesterday that he expected to call a meeting of the managers of the Bloomingdale organization sometime this coming week, and that everything looked rosy for his league. The Independence was one of the few amateur leagues to coin money last year, and so is in a good condition financially, and, besides, has one of the nicest playing fields in the city, and a large body of followers. St. Paul, Twining, and Manhattan will be in the Independence circuit again, and a team from the National Union has been admitted. Vacancies caused by the withdrawal of the Advent, Ninth, and Wallach teams leave two places yet to be filled. Mr. Worley is holding one of these open so that the Agriculture team may again be represented, if the Farmers decide to again have two ball teams, but the other vacancy will be filled from a large number of applications.

While some of the leagues have been asleep, the Suburban boys have been working on the quiet. Last Wednesday the managers of the different teams met at the residence of R. S. Jones and elected their officers and got rid of a lot of other business. The clubs present were the Takoma, Petworth, Woodburn, Brightwood, Parkview, and Reed. The Silver Springs club applied for admission and was admitted to membership. All of the games will be played at Petworth this year. This was the decision made by the board, after much discussion. The grounds at Petworth will be renovated and made to be one of the best diamonds in the northwest by the time the league opens the season. Mr. C. Myers was appointed official umpire. The league adopted the rules of the Amateur Baseball Commission, and a committee was appointed to draft a schedule of games and present the same at the next meeting, which will be held on March 29.

Win Clarke, manager of the Norfolk team, in the Virginia State League, is said to be after William Norris, a right-handed twirler of the Peck team of last season. Bill Rapp, the Washington American League catcher, is acting as the go-between, and the only hitch to the proceeding seems to be the amount of salary offered and demanded. Norris is twenty-one years of age. He was handicapped last season owing to the fact that he was troubled with a bad attack of rheumatism, but he claims that this has disappeared, and that he will be able to do much better work than ever before.

The Y. M. C. A. at Frederick, Md., is after baseball games with teams in Washington. Challenges should be mailed to E. Austin Baughman, manager. The association boys will pay railroad expenses for twelve men, and want a return game under the same conditions.

Peck, of the Sunday School League, will again be in charge of Herman A. Meyers, who handled his club so well in last year's race, and the players will be picked from the following candidates: Tim Murphy, Brewer, Goucher, Riddle, McDonough, Evans, Powell, two Broome brothers, MacFarland, Lee Hilleary, Cleveland, T. Thompson, J. Meyers, and Al Ogle.

Brooklyn Colts Win.

Hot Springs, Ark., March 20.—The Superbas wound up their training work here to-day with a game between the regulars and colts. The latter won 15 to 5. Dahlen's men, with the exception of Jordan and Bergen, who are to remain here another week, leave to-morrow for Memphis, and the Pittsburg squad arrived here to-day.

Cincinnati won its first game from Boston to-day, the score being 16 to 4. The series now stands 2 to 1 in favor of the American Leaguers.

Infielder Charles, of the Cincinnati club, was taken to the hospital to-day suffering from fever.

Brooklyn score:

										R.	H.	E.
Colts	1	2	0	2	4	1	1	3	0—14	21	1	
Regulars	2	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0—5	15	3	

Batteries—Bell, Dessau, and Miller; Scanlon, McIntyre, and Ulrich.

TEAM WILL BE FAST

Says President Farrell, with Highlanders Past Week.

HAS HOPES FOR PENNANT

Feels Hal Chase Is Excellent Captain for Players—Infield Particularly Good—Criger, Kleinow, and Hemphill Will Join Team To-day. Call Athens Fine Training Camp.

New York, March 20.—"The Highlanders will be very fast this year, unless present indications amount to nothing," said President Frank Farrell, who arrived home to-day from a week's stay at Athens, Ga. "Of course, the players have not had a chance to extend themselves at the training camp in the South, but they have shown enough to convince both Stallings and myself that the team has been greatly strengthened. In appointing Hal Chase captain of the Highlanders the premium has been placed on speedy play and ginger. Chase has begun his new task with all kinds of enthusiasm, and the players are with him to a man.

Infield Will Be Strong.

"We will have a formidable infield. No matter how Stallings arranges the combination, Chase and Gardner cannot be excelled at first and second bases. So far Austin seems determined to hang on to third base, and I can say the same of Knight, the tall shortstop. But we have three other corking good infielders in Foster, Roach, and Johnson, not to mention LaPorte. I did not have a chance to see Johnson work out at his best, but this boy Foster looks like a coming star. He was a bit under the weather last week, and, of course, didn't show his best quality.

"Henry Wolter will probably play right field permanently. He is a natural batsman, a great sprinter, and a beautiful fielder and thrower. We were very lucky to land this fine young player, and I think the Red Sox will miss him.

Wolter Will Stay in Outfield.

"He is a pitcher, but we have so many good boxmen we can use Wolter where he will be of inestimable value. Cree will doubtless play center field and Engle will cover left, but that doesn't mean we will not try out Madden and Daniels.

"Criger, Kleinow, and Hemphill will arrive in Athens to-morrow. Criger is needed to coach the pitchers, for Mitchell and Sweeney are under the weather. Mitchell works like a first-class backstop. From the big pitching corps now at the camp Stallings will select a string of hurlers that, in my opinion, will compare favorably with any in the big leagues. Of the new men I saw at Athens, Vaughn, Ford, and Upham cut loose enough to impress anybody. I think Warhop is going to be a great winner this year, and I feel sure that Hughes and Quinn will improve, too, while Manning and Doyle will be the same old reliables. There is perfect harmony in the team this year, and that means much.

"Athens is a splendid place for training purposes. The hotel accommodations are fine and the climate is just right. The Highlanders will train there again next year."

KEELER STILL UNDECIDED.

Willie Keeler says that the manager who will pay him the most will get him. While this don't clear the situation up much, it shows Willie's inclinations in the matter at any rate. The following telegram was received here last night:

"New York, March 20.—Willie Keeler is still undecided where he will play. The highest bidder will get him, he says. McGraw is still keeping the wires hot."

GIANTS DRUB HOUSTON TEAM.

New York Nationals Hand Jolt to Texas Champs.

Houston, Tex., March 20.—With Raymond and Ames whizzing them over with midseason speed and always controlling their benders, the Giants this afternoon handed the Texas league champions a severe jolt in a game that attracted the largest crowd McGraw's men have ever played to in Texas. The score was 6 to 1, and the disappointment of the fans was great, as it had been freely predicted that Houston was going to slip something over on McGraw's men. The manager directed his team from the coaching line, and although the Giants hit poorly, they scored a commanding lead early in the game.

The pitching of Raymond and Ames gave the Texas leaguers few opportunities to start rallies. Not until the ninth inning did Houston get a clean hit. The two singles were both scratch affairs, and the run was the result of one of these, a base on ball that the Giants contended should have been a strikeout, and a low throw by Meyers in his attempt to break up a double steal in the fifth. That was the only hit off Raymond. Score:

										R.	H.	E.
New York	0	0	3	1	0	0	2	0	0—6	6	1	
Houston	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0—1	3	1	

Batteries—Raymond, Ames, and Wilson; Meyers, Malloy, Workmann, Blakeney, and Burch. Umpire—Mr. Westervelt.

Will Shoot with Baltimore Cracks.

Officers of the Analostan Gun Club are completing arrangements for a team shoot with the Prospect Shooting Association, of Baltimore, to be held soon after the local season opens. The Analostan Club season will open on April 2.

High School Games This Week

Monday—Western vs. Georgetown Preps at Georgetown.

Tuesday—Business vs. Army and Navy Preps, at Tennallytown.

Wednesday—Central vs. Gallaudet, at Kendall Green.

Thursday—Business vs. National Cathedral School (pending).

Friday — Friends School vs. Cleveland Park

Saturday—Central vs. National Cathedral School; Business vs. Washington School for Boys.

YANKEES' NEW TWIRLER.

JACK FRILL,

The pitcher of the New York Americans now practicing with the team at Athens, Ga. He has been showing up in excellent form, and it is expected will set a fast pace for rival pitchers of the association this season.

WASHINGTON GROVE IS BUSY

Athletic Association's Baseball Manager Rounding Up Players.

All Positions on Team Filled by Excellent Players, with Possible Exception of Outfield.

Manager Clarence N. Walker, of the Washington Grove baseball team, is quite busy gathering in his players and arranging the club's schedule for the summer months.

The players are enthusiastic over the new clubhouse and improvements to the playing fields, which are now being made. When completed, it will give the Grove team one of the best diamonds in Montgomery County.

Practically the same players will be with Manager Walker this season that made the team last year so formidable, with three or four new ones that look pretty good at this time. The team this summer will have Ed Myers and Arthur Isherwood to do the backstopping. Lawrence Murphy, a southpaw; George Hall, and Chester Knott will be the flingers, with the addition of Rodney McCathran just as soon as his school year closes at Wesleyan. Bozzy Knott and Charley King, the popular track men, will fight it out for first-base honors. Knott is also a fine fielder. Hoskins, Rabbit, Snead, Leakins, and Grover Brake will contend for the remaining infield positions. With this array of amateur topnotchers trying to make a favorable impression on the manager, things look good for the club. The outfield is giving those in charge a little uneasiness. Tweedale, who played such an excellent game last year, may not be with the team this season; likewise Joe Brake, one of the best stickers and fielders on last summer's team. Several new men will be tried out, and if they fill the bill the club will not suffer to any great extent. Paul Herring, a fine fielder, may be induced to come out; also Leger, who is making a name for himself with Ann Arbor College, and Thompson, who plays on his class team at Princeton. These men could all make good.

Manager C. N. Walker has a few open dates in July that he is anxious to fill as soon as possible.

ENGINEERS' TEAM WINS.

Defeats Northeast Athletic Club at Congress Heights—Score 4 to 2.

The Northeast Athletic Club played its first game of the season yesterday afternoon with a team representing Company A, Engineers, from the arsenal. The game was played on the Congress Heights diamond, the Engineers winning 4 to 2.

Barrott, who pitched with the crack Congress Heights team of last season, served them over for the Northeast boys, holding his opponents down to four hits. Errors on the part of the Northeast club's players lost the game.

Kniffin, who pitched for Company A, had fine control until the ninth inning, when he allowed two bases on balls. Reid's failure to cover second base and a single by Van Wormer were responsible for the loser's two runs. Score:

N. E. A. C.	R	H	O	A	E	Engineers.	R	H	O	A	E
Burgess, lb.	0	1	9	1	0	Bailey, rf.	1	0	0	0	0
C. Martin, lf.	0	0	0	1	1	Hammell, cf.	1	1	2	0	0
Barrott, p.	0	1	0	3	0	Sandell, lf.	1	0	3	1	0
G. Martin, 2b	1	0	3	4	0	Bretzin, 2b.	0	2	0	0	1
E. Higgs, 3b.	0	0	0	3	3	Reid, ss.	0	0	1	3	1
Chamberl'n, ss	1	0	2	1	0	Statts, 3b.	0	0	0	2	0
J. Martin, rf.	0	0	0	1	1	Rix, lb.	1	1	12	3	0
Van Normer, c	0	1	12	0	0	Webster, c.	0	0	9	0	1
B. Martin, cf.	0	0	1	0	0	Kniffin, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	2	3	27	14	5	Totals	4	4	27	9	3

Engineers	0	1	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	—4
Northeast A. C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	—2

First base by errors—Engineers, 3; N. E. A. C., 2. Left on bases—Engineers, 4; N. E. A. C., 3. First base on balls—Off Kniffin, 3; off Barrott, 3. Struck out—By Kniffin, 9; by Barrott, 12. Stolen bases—Engineers, 2; N. E. A. C., 3. Double play—Chamberlain to G. Martin to Burgess. Hit by pitcher—Barrott, Sandell. Umpire—Burgess. Time of game—1:35.

Fordham Baseball Squad Reduced.

New York, March 20.—Though there are only two more days of practice remaining, Coach Coffey, of the Fordham baseball team, has not yet decided upon his final line-up. He cut the squad slightly yesterday, and another cut will be made next week. But he is still unable to decide just which men will play the opening game. The Bronx collegians will play the Baltimore Eastern Leaguers, who beat them 1 to 0 last year; Georgetown, Eastern College, and Lafayette.

The Fans' Duckpin League.

Nags.	1st.	2d.	3d.	White Sox.	1st.	2d.	3d.
Trotter	84	104	95	Whittlesey	79	89	93
Hayden	83	86	75	McQuinn	98	95	104
W. Steph'son	73	87	65	Windsor	89	85	81
Totals	240	277	235	Totals	266	269	278

Tigers.	1st.	2d.	3d.	Athletics.	1st.	2d.	3d.
Gibbons	62	76	81	Long	73	95	77
Shreve	88	79	80	C. Steph'son.	80	80	80
Sigourney	73	76	92	McKericher	96	98	88
Totals	223	231	253	Totals	249	273	245

ZAPPONE HOME AGAIN

Clubman Who Got Regatta for Capital Returns.

POTOMAC BOAT CLUB HAPPY

Efforts of the Past Month Are at Last Crowned with Success—Washington Was the Only City That Had a Show for Event—Date Set for July 29 and 30—Practically Set Date.

Claude R. Zappone, the representative for the Potomac Boat Club, of this city, at the New York meeting of the National Rowing Association to determine the place of this year's national regatta, returned to Washington last night, after having succeeded in bringing the great aquatic event to the Potomac River for this summer.

His story of the meeting only proves conclusively that the other cities trying to land the privilege of holding the regatta never had a show against the claims of the Washington oarsmen.

Saratoga Did Not Withdraw.

Contrary to the statement issued last night by the New York papers, he says that Saratoga did not withdraw in favor of the Capital City, and Baltimore refrained from doing so until absolutely the last minute.

The dates set for the event were July 29 and 30, but Mr. Zappone was given the privilege of changing the dates if he deemed it advisable, and unless they conflict seriously with the committee's plans, it is probable that his recommendations on the matter will be accepted without question.

Practically Set Own Date.

The matter of dates is another incident that shows how much all the oarsmen present were in favor of holding the regatta on the Potomac, for, although either Baltimore or Saratoga was willing to accept any date set by the committee, Mr. Zappone set his own date for the affair, after he had objected to one proposed by the national committee.

The members of the Potomac Boat Club, who have been striving for the regatta for the last month, are completely satisfied and happy over the result. They will get into action immediately on the proposition, and a meeting of the board of governors has been set for Wednesday night. The first plans for the affair will be drawn up in detail at the meeting, and will be revised and added to as developments shall suggest.

FIGURE ON BIG MEETING

Jamestown Jockey Club Expects Classy Events at Spring Races.

Large Number of Prominent Horsemen Have Made Stable Reservations—Excursions to Track.

Special to The Washington Herald.

Norfolk, Va., March 20.—Bob Levy, manager of the Jamestown Jockey Club, is handing out the information that the spring meeting of the club, to commence on April 1 and end on April 14, will be the sportiest ever held south of the Mason and Dixon line.

Levy dopes it out this way: He says that there has been no racing in the East for six months; that track sportsmen are hungry for some and will come to Jamestown in droves. Further, there will be no competing meetings on in the East while the horses are running here; whereas heretofore Jamestown has had to compete with other tracks.

It is doubtless a fact that Jamestown has the best chance this spring that it has ever had. What is especially encouraging to Mr. Levy and others associated with him in the operation of the Jamestown track is the fact that a large number of prominent horsemen have made stable reservations at the track. Some of these are David Dunlop, William Garth, J. W. Schorr, R. F. Carmen, W. S. Deffenderffer, William Parrish, G. B. Morris, C. C. Hall, J. T. Temple, M. Burton, G. J. Engleking, Frank Gardner, Joe White, C. C. Smithison, Frank Lightfoot, James McLaughlin, jr., D. Hammond, J. C. Brenton, W. O. Scully, S. P. Randolph, R. H. M. Mackenzie, P. M. Walker, J. Hewett, Jule Carson, and P. J. Miles, and the Chelsea Stables.

Arrangements have been made to run two excursions from New York to the track, one by train and the other by boat, and also special excursion boats from Baltimore and Washington.

There are now 100 horses on the grounds, and others are arriving daily. The track is in good shape, and probably will be faster this year than ever. Jockeys Guy Burns and Phil Musgrove will ride for the Schorr Stable.

Officers for the meeting will be: Ed. Cole, presiding judge; Fred W. Gerhardy, associate judge and racing secretary; Ernest Hall, paddock and patrol judge; J. Hosford Smith, clerk of scales; Mars Cassady, starter, and Bob Levy, manager.

Giant Colts Are Winners.

Galveston, Tex., March 20.—The hard-hitting Giant Colts placed the ball over the fence to-day four times and twelve other times dropped the pill in different parts of the lot from that occupied by the luckless Sand Crabs. Crandall struck out eleven Texans. Score:

										R.	H.	E.
New York	4	0	0	3	4	0	0	0	2—13	16	2	
Galveston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0—2	7	3	

Batteries—Crandall and Snodgrass; Crabble, Bradford, and Braun.

Sam Berger must be given all sorts of credit for the way he has picked the money for Jeffries. Even the signed stories can be attributed to Berger's views. They are written by Bob Edgren, of New York.

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PLAY OFF BASKET-BALL TIE

Companies E and G to Meet for the Championship of League.

Wednesday Night Will Witness the Final Contest for Supremacy Between Crack Basket Throwers.

Arrangements have been completed to play the deciding game of the championship in the Military Basket-ball League between Company G and Company E (Corcoran Cadets) next Wednesday at 8:30 p. m., in the National Guard gymnasium, Center Market Armory.

Each team has the same league record, having won seven games and lost one, each having lost one game to the other.

The first time these teams met Company E (Corcoran Cadets), won by one point. Score 20 to 19.

The last time Company G won by three points. Score 16 to 13. Both teams have been doing some hard practicing since the close of the league season, March 4, and are both in excellent condition and are equally confident, hence a corking good game should result.

Company G may be somewhat handicapped owing to the illness of its star guard, "Billy" Fermage, but he hopes to be able to play when the whistle blows. In event of Fermage's not being able to play, Company G will have to rely on Evard.

This will be the final game in the National Guard gymnasium this year, and it promises to be a fitting climax to a most successful season. The probable line-up for Wednesday's game:

C. L. Mahoney (capt.), right forward	McDonnell
W. H. Goucher, left forward	Hutton or Rose
William C. Herbert, center	Cuvillier (capt.)
W. J. Furmage, right guard	Ellsworth or E. Evard
J. S. Dinnis, left guard	Weisbocher or Yier

FIGURE ON $400,000 GATE.

Fight Promoter Gleason Says Crowd of Sixty Thousand Will Attend.

New York, March 20.—Jack Gleason, one of the promoters of the big fight, has come East to arrange the final details as to tickets and other things. He says the Emeryville track will be fixed up to accommodate nearly 60,000 people, and he predicts that the gross gate receipts will reach the $400,000 mark. Gleason declares that California is fight mad already, and that the Jeffries-Johnson fight is going to bring hundreds of thousands of dollars into San Francisco.

AUSTRALIANS TO SEE FIGHT.

Special Steamer Chartered by Promoter McIntosh.

New York, March 20.—Hugh McIntosh has chartered a steamship to bring a party of Australians to this country to see the Jeffries-Johnson fight. Another party of English sporting men is coming over from London, while there will be another from Paris. Meanwhile, special trains from this city are talked of, and among those who are thinking of running them are Tom O'Rourke, Billy Gibson, and Tom Sharkey.

HAS PUGILISTIC AMBITIONS.

Detroit Backstop Wants to Enter Prize-fight Game.

Detroit, Mich., March 20.—Charley Schmidt, the Detroit catcher, wants to be a pugilist, not on the ball field, but in a real prize ring. Schmidt has been receiving instruction from Rube Ferns, and has just issued a challenge to fight any ball player in the major leagues, Larry McLean, of the Cincinnati Reds, preferred, for twenty rounds and a side bet ranging from $500 to $2,000.

Schmidt says he will be ready for business at the end of the coming season on the diamond, and he feels sure some of the leading promoters will bid for a match of this kind. Schmidt is a powerful man physically, and weighs 180 pounds. Ferns says he can hit like a piledriver.

St. Stephsn Win First Game.

The St. Stephens team won its first game of the season yesterday by defeating the Southwest A. C., by the score of 13 to 12. The features of the game were the playing of Mahoney for the winners and Lawson for the losers.

Teams wishing Sunday games, address Matthew Noone, 1140 Twenty-third street northwest. Score:

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St. Stephens	0	3	0	1	3	0	1	5	0—13	12	6	
Southwest A. C.	2	5	2	0	0	0	0	0	3—12	9	6	

Batteries—McDonough and Noone; Lawson, McDonald, and Green.

Well-known Baseball Man Dies.

Shamokin, Pa., March 20.—George D. Marshall, eighty-three years old, died here to-day. He was a former business man and baseball enthusiast, for years managing the Dad Marshall nine, a non-professional club here, and having a widespread reputation in the coal region. Marshall was one of the best-known baseball fans in this part of the State, keeping tab on local, State, and national ball clubs.

English noblemen intend to visit America to witness the bout between James J. Jeffries and Jack Johnson.