

ATHLETICS PRACTICALLY OUT OF THE RUNNING

Nationals Win First Game in Ten Innings.

JOHNSON BEATS PLANK

Locals Are Shut Out in Second Contest by Dygert's Work.

SEASON WINDS UP TODAY

Foot Ball Schedule Broadens Out—Experts to Interpret Rules—Bowling Matches.

American League Games Today.

National League Games Today.

Philadelphia at Washington (two games).

Yesterday's National League Games.

American League Clubs' Standing.

National League Clubs' Standing.

Practically all chances of the Athletics for the pennant were glimmering when they were defeated in the first game of a double-header with the Nationals yesterday.

At no stage of the game did the Athletics show the same fighting spirit that was noticeable in the Tigers' playing while here.

When they got on the field they seemed to have lost all interest in everything but the end of the season. They went about their work in a machine-like way, showing none of that snap which contenders for the pennant should be blessed with.

Walter Johnson was certainly in form. He allowed eight hits, but in the eighth inning he scattered as hens' teeth.

Eddie Plank showed some of his old-time form in spots, but when the Nationals got him he did it in bunches. In the sixth three singles in succession netted them their first run, and in the tenth two hits, an error by Monte Cross and a base throw to the plate by Capt. Davis put the winning run across and the Athletics practically out of the race.

Had the Nationals put up the same game against the Tigers that they did in the first game yesterday there might have been a different tale to tell about that fearful series, but in the face of the strenuous battling of the Tigers no team on the face of the earth could have prevented their winning.

Score of first game:

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During the intermission Business Manager Willie Fowler was presented with perhaps the best equipped suit case in the city. The players on the team and the men around the grounds were the donors.

A peculiar incident occurred in the sixth inning with Tom Hughes at the bat. He made a vicious swing at one of Dygert's drops the ball hit the mud at the batter's feet and after some digging and scraping Schrock finally got it out and put it into play.

New York, 3; Boston, 1.

NEW YORK, October 5.—The last game but one of the season was played yesterday, and New York defeated Boston 3 to 1.

Williams made a home run with a drive to deep center in the seventh inning. Score:

Table with columns: Boston, R, H, O, A, E. Rows for Chadwell, Sullivan, Parent, Longcliff, Griffin, Wagner, Peterson, Barr, Knight.

Totals, 1 324 16 41. Totals, 3 727 15 4.

*Batted for Barry in ninth inning.

First base by errors: New York, 2; Boston, 4.

Left on bases: New York, 4; Boston, 9.

First two outs—off Hughes, 4; Barry, 2.

Home run—Williams. Two-base hit—Conroy. Sacrifice hits—Landon, Vane, Smith, bases—Clegg, Bell, Wagner. Double plays—Parent to Wagner to Grinstead. 2nd. Empire Mr. O'Leighlin. Time of game, 1 hour and 35 minutes.

CHICAGO, Ill., October 5.—The national base ball commission will hold its meeting here tomorrow to arrange the details for the world's series.

President B. B. Johnson of the American League, President Harry Pulliam of the National League and Chairman Garry Herrman have kept in communication by wire with each other for the last two days.

Johnson said yesterday that he had received no word from Hugh Jennings, manager of the Detroit club, as to how he wanted the receipts divided.

Word from Detroit says that there will be great difficulty in arranging for the crowds if a part of the world's series be played there.

President Charles W. Murphy of the Chicago National League team spent yesterday in his office attending to the details of the world's series, which starts next week.

Requests for box seats keep flowing in, and it looks as if a record would be set for attendance at the West Side Park.

Presentation to Nichols.

A gold watch, the gift of enthusiasts and admirers of Simon Nichols, the crack player of Philadelphia Athletic team, will be presented to him after the first game at National park this afternoon.

The watch is a testimonial from friends in Boyds, Germantown and Rockville from players on the Norris-Peters team in this city and other Washington admirers.

It has been arranged by Russell Brewer of the Rockville team, John Galloway, Jr., of Washington, formerly of the crack Dawsonville team, with which Nichols played four years ago, and John W. Williams of the Boyds Athletic team, all warm friends of Nichols.

Nichols is the son of George Nichols, a farmer of Montgomery county near Germantown, and is one of the most popular boys in the county. Many persons from Boyds, Barnesville, Germantown, Dickerson and Rockville attended the games.

McDaniel, who is in good form just now, put up a clever ride on Sister Francis, 13 to 5, in the second race, for fillies and mares, at a mile and a sixteenth.

He avoided the early pace, and then taking her into the good going he got her up in time to win by half a length from Consistent, to 1 who made nearly all the race. Another favorite, Number Three, beat the field, beating Royal Lady, 7 to 1, by a head. Druid, 9 to 5 favorite, quit early.

The time for the race was 1:10.4. The prohibitive odds, rolled home in the fifth race, at a mile and a sixteenth. Punky, 6 to 1, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Avenon and Pantouffe were all less than a length back. The attendance was about 10,000.

The Summaries.

First race, two-year-olds, five and one-half furlongs—Magazine, 112 (Nichols, 6 to 5 and 2 to 5, won; Live Wire, 112 (Miller, 4 to 5 place, second; Blue Bird, 112 (Homer, 3 to 2 to show, third. Time, 1:07.45. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Second race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-sixteenth miles—Sister Francis, 13 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Third race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; short course, about two miles—Essex, 150 (Homer, 13 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Fourth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Don Crook, 110 (McDaniel, 13 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Fifth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Sixth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Seventh race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Eighth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Ninth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

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Thirteenth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Fourteenth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Fifteenth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

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Seventeenth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Eighteenth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

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Twentieth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Twenty-first race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

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Twenty-third race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Twenty-fourth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Twenty-fifth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Twenty-sixth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Twenty-seventh race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Twenty-eighth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Twenty-ninth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Thirtieth race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

Thirty-first race, three-year-olds and upward; selling; one and one-eighth miles—Punky, 30 (Baxton, 3 to 5, who gradually wore the lead, won by a head, with a nose in 1:14. Consistent, 13 to 1, place, second; Annetta Lady, 18 (Homer, even to show, third. Time, 1:14.0. Clot Toney, James Marguerite, Bell-tower, DeBurg and John Marrs also ran.

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men. Foster Rockwell, coach of last year's eleven, who was at the scrimmage in citizen's clothes, ran down into the field and urged the men to brace.

Nearly every one in the squad was given a try-out. The backs were Fred Murphy, Wheaton and Wylie, and their places were taken by Bomar, Berger and Coy, the scrimmage ending with Murphy and Wheaton again at halfback and Coy playing full back.

Tad Jones, the quarterback, made the best showing, tackling and kicking well and making the long runs for which he is famous. No tricks were tried. The lineup which will start the game today has a total weight of 188 pounds, against 183 for Syracuse.

The probable Yale line-up is: Pigott, left end; Faige, left tackle; Bridges, left guard; Conroy, center; Good, right guard; Biglow, right tackle; Burch, right end; Jones, quarterback; Murphy, right halfback; Wylie or Wheaton, left halfback; Coy, fullback.

There will be no varsity games at Cambridge or New Haven October 10.

The Indians set a good high score for a starter—91 points—against Susquehanna.

Princeton is the last college team to begin its schedule. The Tigers meet Stevens today at Princeton.

In Wednesday's games the scores made were almost universally smaller than in the same games a year ago.

Harvard and University of Maine probably will play 20-minute halves today. The game will begin at 3 o'clock.

Manager Dutcher of the Harvard team will go to Annapolis early next week to complete the arrangements for the Navy game.

Boston Latin School is having a hard time arranging a schedule, and has issued an open challenge to any high school team in Massachusetts.

Especially noticeable is the small number of nose guards and head protectors this year—and also the absence of the old-time long-haired foot ball warrior.

Coach Robinson of Brown believes in giving his first string of players all the experience possible. He used only one substitute against Massachusetts State College.

Villanova worked two successive forward passes against Penn, one gaining thirty-five yards and the other fifteen yards, which took the ball to within fifteen yards of Penn's goal.

McKinney of the Western Pennsylvania foot ball squad stopped playing foot ball because of a bad knee, Coach Moorhead, used him too roughly in his endeavor to make a "tough" player.

The "official spectators" along the side-line during Harvard's warming up and during the practice game were given a rudimentary course in the event of an annual punting contest, which incidentally kept them warm. Dr. E. H. Nichols is running the course.

Coach Stag of Chicago has each of his men wear a number on his back, and he intends to have each player wear a number of distinct color on the sleeve of his jersey. Several western teams will follow this scheme.

Crane is the Harvard member of the intercollegiate foot ball rules committee, although in the rule book his name has not been substituted for that of W. T. Dwyer. Mr. Crane put in much time last summer with Secretary E. K. Hall of the rules committee.

The Harvard coaches raised a high point in the Bowdoin game—whether a defensive team could refuse a penalty in the event of an illegal forward pass. The letter of the rules of course is against any such thing, but the committee has decided that it is in the book as a penalty for an illegal forward pass, and the rules later state that any penalty may be refused—except two specifically stated.

First Line on New Men.

PRINCETON, N. J., October 5.—Today's game with Stevens will offer a chance to get the first line on the new men who will have to be depended