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Newest Store, 205 N. Sixth St.

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STRANGEST BACKED FOR A GOOD THING.

Talent Picked the Right Horse in the Mile Handicap at New Orleans.

IRMA S. WAS WELL PLAYED.

Long Shot Made Connections in the Fifth Event—Jim Gore II Disposed of Wiggins—Nailer in a Gallop.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New Orleans, La., March 8.—The showers early in the forenoon left the track heavy. Mudhacks were widely in evidence. In the handicap, Strangest, who opened at 8 to 5, and backed down to even money, had no trouble in beating McLafferty's Cathedral. The latter was leading by three lengths at the head of the stretch, but collapsed badly. Three favorites were first past the post. While Irma Wells was backed, it was hardly probable that the general public broke even.

The surprise of the day was the victory of Irma S. in the fifth. She was in particularly good trim, this being her initial appearance at the meeting. Off fourth, she was rated for a half mile, which she was sent to the front, and won by herself. Clarence R., the real choice of the race, finished third, after being in a pocket for six furlongs.

Jim Gore II. found the going too lively for him in the first, and after losing Wiggins off of his feet secured the lead in the final strides, and won by a head. Tribe, who was an original starter in this event, was so sore in his preliminary gallop that upon the request of his owners he was excused and twenty minutes allowed for a new book. Avalon, who forte is mud, was pushed out to the post alone to beat Inlook. Avalon was a short-priced favorite.

Nailer, in the title and a quarter event, surprised every one by winning easily by five lengths. Doubloons and Albert Vale, the two who were expected to fight it out, were never serious contenders. Corrassier, who finished second, pulled up very lame, and will have to be laid up for awhile.

The Summaries.

First race, six and a half furlongs—Jim Gore II, 118 (Winkfield), 4 to 5 and 1 to 3, won; Wiggins, 98 (W. Simms), 4 to 1 and 4 to 5, second; Dolly Wetford, 103 (Weisenberger), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:22. Tinkler also ran.

Second race, six furlongs, selling—Nailer, 98 (Mitchell), 3 to 2 and 3 to 5, won all on a head; Inlook, 105 (Weisenberger), 7 to 1 and 2 to 1, second; Tangareno, 106 (Wimbush), 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:14. Pat Post, Lomond, Sindarth and Flibbits also ran.

Third race, mile and sixteenth, selling—Nailer, 94 (Weisenberger), 4 to 1 and 2 to 1, nose early by five lengths; Cathedral, 112 (L. Perry), 4 to 5 and even, second; Lady Children, 101 (Hennessy), 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:46½. J. B. Cline and Wax also ran.

Fifth race, seven furlongs, selling—Irma S., 102 (J. Waldo), 12 to 1 and 4 to 1, won easily by two lengths; Sister Fox, 102 (Mitchell), 6 to 1 and 2 to 1, second; Clarence R., 107 (Hollenbeck), 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:29. Lady Regret, Tom Middleton, Balarm, Flirtation, Scottish Gill, Rex Wilson, Tyrian, Satanite, Flying Bird and Gakiron also ran.

Sixth race, one mile, selling—Dave Phillips, 101 (Mitchell), 11 to 5 and 4 to 5, won; Avalon, 97 (Hook), Allie Hale, 101 (Domingo), 8 to 1 and 2 to 1, second; Ben Chance, 101 (J. Miller), 11 to 5, third. Time, 1:48½. Russell K., Sliver and Polly Bixby also ran.

New Orleans Entries.

First race, selling, one mile:

Lafayette	99	Lord Zia	96
Lillian Reed	101	Queen Lilar	96
The Bondman	104	Sir Walter	104
Old Fox	101	Lord Neville	98
Manilus	102	Galore	96
Leaseman	102	Island Prince	99
Solo	101		

Second race, six furlongs:

Stela	97	Newton Anger	102
Eva Mae	107	Roundo	102
Mr. Chicken	107	Falsehood	102
Taville	102	Tarbo	102
Joan Spencer	102	Star Ametrine	102
Wilkerson	107	Lonsdale	102
Emanee	102		

Third race, selling, mile and a sixteenth:

Cincinnati	94	Third Section	104
Arline C.	93	Astor	104
Nimrah	97	Old Chief	105
Bob Loomis	99	Prospero	106
School Girl	101	Hitherto	106
Warrior	102	Jimp	111
Bright Night	103		

Fourth race, handicap, six furlongs:

Maggie Datts	94	Monomaniac	101
Diffidence	99	Gold Dust	101
Deceptive	99	Anatonia	104
Tom Collins	99		

Fifth race, selling, six and a half furlongs:

Sorrel Rose	96	Belle of Orleans	102
Polly Bixby	97	Blue Wide	102
Tribe	98	Lomond	102
Rodi	99	Avalon	105
Wedding Guest	101	Caviar	105
Sue Johnson	102		

Sixth race, seven furlongs:

Balkan	91	Uncle Louis	99
Indian	93	Hesperia	99
Prince Real	99	The Burlington	
The Earnest	99	Mr. Monte	103
Mamie	98	Leando	111
La Verna	95	Wallenshaw	111

Madison Turf Exchange.

Trains leave foot of Olive street 1 p. m., 1:30, 2, 2:30, 3:35, 7:30, 4, 4:25, 5:25, 6:25.

RESULTS AT FRISCO.

Four Favorites Finished First Over a Sloppy Track at Oakland.

San Francisco, March 8.—Weather raining and track sloppy at Oakland. The summaries:

First race, seven furlongs, selling, Espirando, 123 (Powell), 8 to 1, won; Bamboulis, 117 (Henry), 4 to 1, second; Lady Heloise, 121 (Bozeman), 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:32½. Almendral, St. Cassimir, Morrentum, Tan Tonna, Cyril, Jet and Towner also ran.

Second race, seven furlongs, 3-year-olds, selling—Intrude, 108 (Henry), even, won; On Time, 108 (Buchanan), 6 to 1, second; Scapa, 108 (Spencer), 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:44½. Billy Lyons, Mollie Connors, Countless Clara, Angie P., Grace Cup, Nell Gourie, Charenton and Forbes also ran.

Third race, mile, selling—Tekla 104 (Henry), 6 to 5, won; Essence 107 (Bullman), 7 to 10, second; Chouteau 104 (Ross), 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:44. Jolly Briton and Rixford also ran.

Fourth race, mile and sixteenth, selling—None Such, 107 (Bozeman), 3 to 1, won; Lou Louis, 102 (Jenkins), 6 to 1, second; Stutagart 103 (Bullman), 7 to 5, third. Time, 1:44. Judge Wofford, Ace, Ulm and Stremo also ran.

Fifth race, mile selling—Terible 99 (T. Walsh), even, won; Scotch Plaid 109 (Jenkins), 2 to 1, second; Boundless, 97 (Henry), 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:45¾. Erwin also ran.

Sixth race, seven furlongs, selling—Castake 102 (Jenkins), 8 to 5, won; Ventalinde 90 (J. Martin), 8 to 1, second; Miss Marion 103 (Bullman), third. Time, 1:28. Marble City, New Moon, Lady Bell Isle, Lucatto and Willie also ran.

San Francisco Entries.

First race, six furlongs, selling:

Fidelia	96	Rant	96
Mordan	97	Rosa	97
Flash of Gold	97	Beatrice	97
Pille d'or	100	The Freedom	97

Second race, seven furlongs, purse, maiden 2-year-old fillies:

Sacramento Lake	108	Loneliness	108
Lake	108	Sublimity	108
Cattle	108	Too Hot	108
Alcoa	108	Metalla	108
Madrina	108	Irate	108
Thelma	108	Catharine	108
Chorgnosch	108	Heavy	108

Third race, five furlongs, purse:

Isabelle	106	Filacon	112
Stella	106	Bellaise	109
Tulosha	106	Dr. Normile	109
Jim Brewster	110	Reina de Cuba	114
Uncle Tom	110	Jessie O.	114
Malaveta	112		

Fourth race, seven furlongs, selling:

William P.	99	Summer	102
Jupiter	99	Sam Tomas	106
Burdock	100	Mildred Hughes	107
Julie Briton	101	Chokeau	107

Fifth race, mile selling:

Masculine	101	Obellian	110
Chas. Reed	104	Sam Andrews	114
Dr. Marks	107	Bloodhunter	114
Tuscanel	111	Captive	114
Duke of York II.	111	Polish	114
Greyhound	112	Scintillate	116

Sixth race, six furlongs, selling:

Bandobia	92	Prince	107
Grand Sachem	106	Time Blue	109
Hakon	107	Classic Hope	95

Reading and Vosburg.

PALACE HOTEL HANDICAP.

Weights for the Big Stake at Oakland Saturday.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

San Francisco, Cal., March 8.—Following are the weights for the Palace Hotel Stakes, to be run at Oakland Saturday:

Belphoebe	124	Flash	105
Alkahest	122	Avalanche	105
Hidalgo	120	Pirate	105
Bonnie Shoppard	120	Pat Morrissey	102
Wear Well	117	Installator	102
Sakatah	117	Obedian	101
Lillie Lake	116	Sir Cricket	97
Rosemaude	114	St. Cricket	95
Vestor	114	Memorita	95
Adam Scott	113	Lavenham	95
Lake	108	El Rio	95
Sam McPherson	108	Schuyler	90
Sardonyx	108	Enterprise	90
Lamplighter	108	Alberta	90
El Caballo	108	Sir Cavalier	90
Lucky Duke	108	Elizabeth	90
Gallinule	108	Kinnon Kelso	90
Sycamore	108	Brownell	90
Sunnyside	107	Mortgage	90
Rancho	107	Lord Spunk	90
Dagmar	107	Filaranzo	90
Fortunio	106	Lamplick	85
Eastern Belle	106	Lady Rogers	85
Lucky Hermit	105	Kalis	85

Redding and Hickey.

CHICAGO BENCH SHOW.

Black Michael of Kenwood Cocker Kennel Took Second Prize.

Chicago, Ill., March 8.—The attendance to-day at the fourth annual exhibit of the Mascoutah Kennel Club showed a large increase from yesterday, the First Regiment Armory, in which the exhibit is being held, being thronged all day. The Board of Judges practically completed the awarding of prizes during the day, only a few classes remaining to be passed upon. Awards were made today as follows:

Cocker spaniels, bitches, dogs, Black First, Peaslee, George Donahue, Waukesha, contained; second, Saladin, Western Japanese Company's kennels, Chicago.

Novice dogs other than black—First, Hampton Red Jacket, Belle Isle Kennels, second, Elton Sid, J. H. Noble, Glandorf, Mich.

Black cocker spaniels, dogs—First, Banner Grove, Snipe Mountain Kennels, Germantown, Pa.; second, Black Michael, Kenwood Cocker Kennel, St. Louis; third, Fitzmor.

Novice dogs, any color other than black—First, Hampton Red Jacket; second, Adams Chicago; Bell, Toronto, Canada; second, Red Willard, George Douglass, Woodstock, Ontario; third, Medium, W. T. Parker, Hollow Tree, Pa.

Limit, dogs—First, Champion Red Romany Rye, W. T. Parker; second, Eileen Sid, third, Impress, George Douglass.

Open dogs, black—First, Champion One, Sedge Mountain Kennels; second, Black Knight of Woodstock, George Douglass; third, Champion Reveille, Edwin Dyer, Round Vernon, N. Y.

Open dogs, other than black—First, Red Jacket, W. T. Parker and Hampton Red Jacket, Belle Isle Kennels; second, Sedge Mountain Kennels; third, Hampton Red Jacket and Tipsey, Atlanta.

Puppy dogs—First, Champion One, Reserved, Red Willard.

Novice bitches, black—First, Lady Jennie, Laverock Kennels; second, Wildthing Lakelle, Washington Kennels.

Novice bitches, any color other than black—First, red Gale, George Douglass; second, Vera, Laverock Kennels.

Limit bitches, any solid color other than black—First, Lady Helen, Edwin Dyer; second, Hurst, Terminus Sedge Mountain Kennels; third, Laverock Nadine, Laverock Kennels.

Limit bitches, parti-colored—First, Baron Jarlte, Sedge Mountain Kennels; second, Ormondale, W. T. Parker; third, Lady II, Lenhington Kennels, Pittsburg, Pa.

Open, bitches, black—First, Trumpington Twist, Sedge Mountain Kennels; second, Marie Russell, third, Topsy Flora, George Douglass.

Open, bitches other than black—First, Dorothy Parsons, Edwin W. Fisher; second, Banner Midget, Hoyt Bath, Franklin, Ind.

Winners, bitches—First, Trumpington Twist; reserved, Lady Isabelle.

Team class—First, Sedge Mountain Kennels; second, Hampton.

Brace, homogeneous (open) dogs—First, W. J. Bryan II, Charles Dietrich, Chicago; second, Dan, E. B. Hollis, Lafayette, Ind.; third, Samson, same owner.

Brace, bitches—First, Kenge Grove, Charles Dietrich; second, Jessie B., John S. Schimman, Chicago; third, Pearl D., Charles Dietrich.

For hounds (American), bitches, dogs—First, Lady Gladstone, Jordan Dale, Mobegan, Pa.; second, Hanks' Jimcrack, Mary Kerlin, Toronto, Can.; V. H. C., Major Lead, T. A. Howard, Chicago.

Dogs—First, Brandon, P. J. Hanan, Hebers, Ky.; second, Hanks' Jimcrack; third, Lead, J. Gibbs, Guelph, Ont.; V. H. C., Major Lead.

Bitches, dogs—First, Brandon; second, Hanks Jimcrack; third, Crook II; Charles I. Encel, Chicago.

Winners, dogs—First, Brandon; reserved, Dan Hammer.

Novice bitches—First, Hanks' Merrygirl, Harry Taylor; second, Fancy, E. Doione, Chicago.

Limit, bitches—First, Veracity, J. Gibbs; second, Hanks' Merry Girl.

Open, bitches—First, Veracity; second, Hanks' Merry Girl; third, Cornelia, M. P. Harris, New Orleans.

Winners, bitches—First, Veracity; reserved, Hanks' Merry Girl.

Old English sheep dogs (bobtails), open, dogs and bitches—First prize withheld; second, Windsor Lady Battle, Windhold Kennels, Islip, New York.

Open, bitches—First prize withheld; second, Syne, R. J. Hamilton, Chicago.

BOXING TOURNAMENT.

Eight Contests Will Be Pulled Off in Chicago March 17.

Chicago, March 8.—Saturday night, March 17, Tattersall's Athletic Club will offer one of the strongest cards ever offered for a single entertainment. There will be eight contests, as announced by Manager Lou Houseman, as follows:

Benny Yanger, the Tipton Slasher, vs. Harry Forbes.
Dal Hawkins vs. George Kerwin.
Turkey Point Bill Smith vs. Solly Smith.
Bhamy Connors vs. Tom Duggan.
Ed Denfuss vs. Jack McCormick.
Art Simms vs. Ole Olsson.
Kid Kelly vs. Larry Gleason.
Morris Rauch vs. Jack Madden.
George Siler will be referee.

Get Ready for the St. Louis Bench Show.

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Star Challenge Accepted.

The following, which was received at this office last night, will be found self-explanatory:

St. Louis, March 7, 1900.

Sporting Editor St. Louis Republic:

Dear Sir—Referring to the challenge in yesterday's issue of The Republic by the Star Bowling Club to play a series of games of ten pins, on behalf of the Courthouse Bowling Club, I wish to accept the challenge and would be glad to arrange a meeting with Mr. A. Schmidt of the Star Bowling Club, in order to decide on the number of games to be played, conditions, etc. It must be understood, however, that the games are to be played in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the American Bowling Congress.

Will you kindly make the announcement through the columns of your paper, and oblige, Yours,

P. A. PIFFLITPS
Secretary Courthouse Bowling Club,
No. 12 North Fourth Street.

If you haven't an owl-car time-table, get one to-day. Free on application at Republic Office, Seventh and Olive streets.

EIGHT-CLUB LEAGUE DECIDED UPON.

Baltimore, Washington, Cleveland and Louisville Franchises Were Taken Up.

PLAYERS ON THE MARKET.

St. Louis May Profit by the Deal—Terms of Settlement Kept Secret—All Concerned Satisfied With the Deal.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

New York, March 8.—It is to be an eight-club league. Baltimore, Washington, Cleveland and Louisville are out. The two former clubs may go into the Eastern League, while Cleveland and Louisville are looked for the Western, or Atlantic League. The terms of settlement cannot be definitely stated, but it is understood that Cleveland and Louisville receive $10,000 each, while Baltimore and Washington get $7,500 apiece, each of the several clubs to have the privilege of disposing of its players to the best advantage.

This is the result of the meeting today of the magnates of the National League. The report of the Circuit Committee, recommending the elimination of the four clubs mentioned, was made this morning, and at the evening session, which was protracted until nearly midnight, the report was adopted. The vote on the question of reducing the number of clubs in the League was practically unanimous. New York was represented by Secretary Knowles, who had been instructed by President Freedman not to vote. Mr. Knowles, said, however, that he could "unofficially" pledge President Freedman to the eight-club proposition. Another meeting will be held in the morning, when the agreement will be formally signed, and then the details of the agreement will be forthcoming. It is known, however, that the Washington and Baltimore players are on the market, and there will be some lively hustling for the pick of these men. "Snappy" McGraw of the orioles is generally credited to New York, but there is nothing certain about this, and speculation is idle pending further developments. Meanwhile it is interesting to note that Frank Robison of St. Louis glowed with satisfaction when he left the meeting-room in the 19th Avenue Hotel shortly before midnight. Mr. Robison said:

"It is eight clubs. Baltimore and Washington have come into camp like good Indians and it is all over. Every interest has been satisfied and we are now in an era of good feeling, which promises well for baseball the coming season. The League will meet again in the morning to ratify the agreement reached to-night. Until this formality has been gone through with I cannot discuss the terms of settlement of the St. Louis situation. Just say that I have hopes."

Robison Hopeful.

Mr. Robison certainly looked hopeful, and from the fact that he was congratulated by his associates on a speech which preceded the vote on the reduction scheme, it is to be inferred that he put up his fences before action was taken and that St. Louis will profit by the elimination of the two Eastern clubs.

While no member of the League would discuss the terms of settlement, adroit questioning elicited the information that Baltimore and Washington would receive in cash a sum ranging between $10,000 and $15,000 each, with the privilege of selling players for what they might bring. The cash consideration merely covers the franchises. The figures for Cleveland and Louisville $10,000 each seem to be excessive, but the weight of evidence sustains the theory that Mr. Robison and the redoubtable Dreyfus really held the whip hand.

"Uncle Nick" Young, it was understood, had come to New York laden with schedules to cover every emergency, but he said after the meeting that the question of a schedule would have to go over.

"I have not prepared an eight-club schedule," said President Young, "and it will take some time to get it ready. There will have to be a special schedule meeting later on in the year or the League will have to authorize me to go ahead and prepare a schedule to be voted upon by mail. Very probably, the latter plan will have to be adopted."

Mr. Young said that a great burden had been lifted from his shoulders by the action taken to-night. He had feared that the negotiations would fall through and that trouble would resulted.

Everybody Satisfied.

John T. Brush also seemed elated over the settlement and harangued the baseball reporters for fifteen minutes after the meeting without telling them anything. Mr. Brush once undertook to fight President Freedman of New York, but he has backed down completely and is now ready to make concession to the New York magnate. He said as much to-night.

"If there is any dissatisfaction in any quarter," said he, "it will be overcome. We will make concessions wherever necessary. But I think everybody is satisfied."

The $10,000 needed to settle with the four withdrawing clubs will be contributed by the remaining eight clubs pro rata from the gate receipts. A certain percentage of the receipts will be set aside for this purpose until the whole amount has been paid into the League treasury. Meanwhile the withdrawing clubowners are assured by the individual notes or guarantees of the "big eight."

Earl Wagner of Washington was all smiles after the meeting.

"We demanded $15,000 for the Washington Club, players and all," he said, "or $10,000 for the franchise only. We have sold only the franchise and received therefor nearly the amount we asked. We expect to make up the deficiency by the sale of players. It is a case of the highest bidder getting the players with us, and no favors will be granted to any one.

"I leave me alone; let me think," was the burden of Manager Hanlon's story when asked what would become of the Baltimore players.

"I have a number of offers," he added; "but all propositions of this sort will have to be placed before the proprietors of the Brooklyn Club, and it would be idle for me to speculate on the distribution of men until we get together."

Mr. Abell and President Ebbetts talked in the same strain, and then Hanlon and President Robison went off together for a late supper.

President "Pat" Powers of the Eastern League is immensely pleased with the outcome of the meeting. He plans to make Baltimore and Washington winning members of the Eastern League. It is probable that "Rally" Barnes, formerly of the Baltimore Club, will manage the Eastern League club in that city, while "Tom" Burns, formerly of Chicago, will go to Washington.

PRINCETON BALL TEAM.

Two St. Louisans, Steinwender and Meier, on the Club Again.

In a letter to a local friend, one of the St. Louis boys at Princeton has the following to say of "Old Nassau's" baseball prospects:

"The varsity baseball candidates from the three upper classes began work this week under Captain Hillebrand and Coach Clark of the Boston club, in Osborne Field cage. It was the first practice of the season for these men and about thirty-five responded.

"The Freshmen, who have been practicing for a week, were divided into two squads of twenty players to-day, each squad having a different hour for cage work. It seems likely that the Freshmen will add little strength to the Tiger team this year. The incoming class made a good showing in the autumn class series of games, and 1903 has the usual number of candidates for the varsity, but there are fewer players of promise than in any class for many years.

"The varsity baseball men of last year's team are: Kafer, catcher; Hillebrand, pitcher; Steinwender of St. Louis, second base; Greene, catcher; Hutchinson, third base; Hutchings, third base; Watkins, center field; Meier of St. Louis, pitcher; Burke, second base. The men from each class team are: Seniors—Ford, first base; Kafer, catcher; Hillebrand, pitcher; Angele, second base or shortstop; Watkins, center field; Jones, third base; Hastings, left field; Robinson, center field or right field; Dohm, right field.

"The 1901 men are: Robbins, catcher; Priest of St. Louis, pitcher; Sam Hamilton, first base; Duncan, second base; Hutchings, third base; Clausen, shortstop; Williamson, left field; Mattis, center field; Harvey, right field.

"Coach Clark began work right away with the candidates. He took a look over the lot of men, and while he did not get a line on all the material, yet he expressed the opinion that Princeton ought to be stronger than even last year. He said the 1899 team was a great one, and according to appearances at Nassau this one is a few degrees higher at the least. The pitching department is probably, he thinks, the department which is in need of additional strength to assist Hillebrand, who is the only pitcher of known ability. He thinks, however, that some men of promise are among the candidates for the box. They are Hutchinson, Bell, Scott, Bell, Priest, Doig, Meier, Dill. Meier will be tried at first, and if no very available men turn up for the box he will be utilized also at this position. At the present time Scott and Meier seem to be the best men in the lot. Scott put up a splendid article of ball in the inter-class series this college year and aided very materially in winning the championship for the Sophomores. Amelie and Pepe of the Freshman pitching staff are not apparently in the "varsity class for this season.

"Clark will start in getting the men thoroughly familiar with the rules of batting to-morrow, which did a great deal last spring in making the Tiger nine a winner in its more important games. Judging from the men out for the various positions there is going to be a great hustle for every place on the nine."

TEBEAUITES DEPART.

Fifteen Players Accompanied the Manager to Memphis.

Manager Pat Tebeau, accompanied by fifteen braves, left in a special car over the Iron Mountain for Memphis at 8.37 o'clock last night. The following lights of the diamond were on the train: Pitchers Kleinfelder, Harper, Thomas, Stolhoff, Jones and McFarlan; catchers Heydon and Vigger; Scott, Corcoran, Schriver, Sudhoff, Shopp, Wallace, Shoffstall, Cross, Beckem, Hendrick, Blake, Donlin and Kruger.

The party will arrive in Memphis at 8 o'clock this morning, and this afternoon the Tebeaus will play up against a team of Southern Leaguers, headed by Charley Frank, saturday and Sunday they will again face the music and will then wend their way to Hot Springs to join forces with the Cardinal, Sam Leland, Jesse Burkett, Joe Quinn, Jack Powell and Wright, while also with the club will be missing from Tebeau's camp, Powell telegraphed the manager that he would arrive in St. Louis Sunday morning and would take a night train to the Springs. Burkett is expected to report and will be along about the 15th, and as for Quinn, he has been granted permission to remain at home and attend to his business until the team returns from the Springs. Joe always takes a collect care of himself and does not require a training-out preparatory to the commencement of the season. Nobody—not even Tebeau himself—has heard from Bucket since he left St. Louis at the end of the 1899 season. Pat, however, is not worried about his great holder and says that he will drop in before a week elapses. Meanwhile he says anything could be sent in care of the Hot Springs club, and he will be sure to get the letter. The West End Adonis. There was nothing hot said to the animal. He kicked with all his best, pitted with several balks, and generally made the stands sit up and take notice. There was nothing hot said to the pitcher either, for he pitched the straight game that a pitcher ought when he is matched with the team that won last year's championship. Such well-known authorities as D. L. Parrish, Charley Von Phul, Jackson Park, Ed Butler, and others offered prices on the horse the same that ever stepped onto an arena.

Gleason finally got the horse so it could be pitched with another ball player, or Phoebe's bird-kicker, and then the fun began. The horse bucking for crackers, with drums beating, his pans rattling and pandemonium loose generally. Then it was that the animal went wild. At one time the horse had the appearance that many of the ladies in the audience would not remain in sight on the first floor but had their escorts take them to the balcony. Another horse that created a great deal of trouble while was a team hitter from the Lafayette Grades.

The programme was full of surprises that, at it stood, Professor Gleason announced that the horse would be sold to the highest bidder. The bidding was hot and the horse everyone present would receive a ticket entitling them to free admission to this evening's entertainment, when the sale would be made. The Sunny Jim holders would be made against this. Quite a few of those present declined to accept the free tickets for that night, as the entertainment already offered was the finest of its kind in St. Louis. A number of other horses were handled the seven big ones brought into the arena.

It requires a number of men with hearts to handle each of them. Such fellows have and Charles Hamilton is one of them. He showed it in this city. Last night it looked like Charles Hamilton took hold and turned as calf. Tigers were lined up in front of the West End Coliseum.

DETROITS ARE COMING.

Famous Association Football Team to Play Here March 24 and 25.

The Detroit Association Football Team will play a series of two games here with the crack local teams Saturday and Sunday, March 24 and 25. This will be the first series with outside teams since Chicago played here Holiday week. The Detroits are champions of the Michigan Association Football League, which is organized in 1899, and won every game they played during the season in 1899 and 1900. They also won the game in 1894 and their games each the seasons of 1895 and 1896. Shots and 97. The Detroits played ten games with picked teams from Chicago, winning seven, playing two draws and losing only one game. They also won the championship of Canada four times and the championship of Western Ontario and Michigan seven times. The captain of the Detroits, A. W. Stewart, the greatest goal keeper in America—Canada and Scotland excepted—England a few years ago, with a picked team from Canada.

Next Sunday's game between the crack Canadian Club and the Hamilton West Ends promises to be the most interesting of the season. These teams have met five times this season. The West Ends won four games after hard playing, by two goals to one. The Canadian Club won the last game by the one-sided score of 2 to 1. Both teams will battle hard to win the game. All the players have been training hard for several weeks. The Canadian Club will present the strongest team of the season, with Brooks of Yale in the goal, the McGougan brothers at fullback, Leitch, Grant and Joe Leslie at half-back, Jim Leslie, Daly, Neil and Comerford in the forward line. The West Ends will present their full teams as follows: Backs, goal, Rickerstaff; Frank Kennedy, full-back; Spencer, Gibson and McCarthy, half backs; McKechnie, Colquhoun, Reed, Kane and Kavanagh, forwards. Mr. Lawrence Riley will referee.

Collegiate Athletic Gossip.

The Knox College Athletic Association has selected A. B. McKechnie as the coach for its track team. McKechnie has served as a substitute with Chicago University and as coach for the Knickerbocker Club.

Illinois' representatives for the triangular meet at Notre Dame have just been named by Doctor Shell. Owing to the fact that Illinois has lost her best weight winners and that Doctor Shell takes over to Notre Dame a team composed almost entirely of new men, Illinois does not hope for much there. Fifteen are the men to be taken—Fisher, Allen and Chenoweth in sights, and Allen and Reed in the runs; Garrett in the broad jump; Pettinger and Keeler in the high jump; Martin and Reid in the hurdles, and Keeler in the shot put.

Captain Fred Allen of the Yale crew has reduced the candidates for the crews from 105 to 82 men. He retained twenty oarsmen in each of the senior, junior and sophomore eights, and thirty-two in the freshman. Captain Allen has just given contracts for two new racing shells, which will complete Yale's naval equipment for the season. One will be built for Yale of Cambridge, the other by Ruddock, the Harlem boat builder. Both will be of cedar.

At present there are ten different Harvard crews preparing themselves for the campaign, five from the Newell and five from the Weld. That is four crews from the college classes and one from the law school to each club. The senior Newell crew is working under Captain Charles Hardine, who captained the winning crew of last year. Among its members are Captain Higginson of the varsity; Howard, who rowed on the 1899 crew in the freshman year, Fred Bolling of last year's Weld, H. Bigelow, R. Heath, O. W. Byrd, E. Bray, Jr., and N. P. Ayer. The Weld senior have Charles Morrill, who has stroked the winning class crew for the last two seasons; E. Palmer, W. M. Chadbourne, K. Sherburn, A. Davis, W. S. Hosley, C. Kidner, K. Martin and R. B. Bedford. The Newell has more stars, but the material at the Weld will average higher as a whole.

Robbins, the plucky little stroke of the '99 Cornell crew, has held that position continuously in the work on the machines thus far. He is improving considerably, but is not yet perfect, and promises to develop a powerful stroke this season. His only dangerous opponent for the position at No. 5 is Francis, '02, who stroked the freshman crew to victory last June. He is now stroking the second varsity combination, which is substantially last year's freshman's crew. This is the eight that will be sent to Philadelphia on Memorial Day to row against the second crews of Pennsylvania and Columbia and the Harvard Weld crew.

If you haven't an owl-car time-table, get one to-day. Free on application at Republic Office, Seventh and Olive streets.

GREAT PRICE PAID FOR FLYING FOX.

Edmond Blanco, of Monte Carlo Fame, Paid $196,900 for the Great Horse.

WHITNEY CONTENDING BIDDER.

This Is the Biggest Price Ever Paid for a Horse—Flying Fox's Wonderful Achievements on the English Turf.

London, March 8.—At the sale of the late Duke of Westminster's string of race horses, which took place today at Kingsclere, Flying Fox, winner in 1899 of the Derby, the 2,000 guineas, the Eclipse Stakes, and the Doncaster St. Leger, was purchased by Edmond Blanc for 27,500 guineas (about $196,900). Blanc is the son of the founder of the Monte Carlo and brother-in-law of Roland Bonaparte.

Flying Fox is a 4-year-old colt by Orme—Vampire. Ormonde, the grandsire of Flying Fox, was sold for 10,000 ($50,000), to Marlborough of San Francisco, about six years ago. Flying Fox, therefore, brought about $46,500 more than his grandsire.

At the commencement of the sale a reserve price of 30,000 guineas was placed on Flying Fox. This was immediately bid and bids jumped 500 guineas at a time, until the racer was knocked down to M. Blanc amid great excitement. Blanc's competitor in the bidding was a man named Gilpin, who was acting for an American, probably William C. Whitney. The representatives of the elite sporting world were in attendance at the sale, among them being the Prince of Wales, Prince Christian of Schleswig-Holstein, Lord Coventry and Lady Jean.

Among the best prices, in addition to that paid for Flying Fox, were 7,500 guineas for Calvados, 4,000 for Goldel, 4,300 for Manchuria, bought by Wolff Joel, nephew of the late Barney Barnato, and 2,100 guineas for Good Luck. The Prince of Wales bought Vame for 4,200 guineas.

J. B. Joel bid to 24,000 for Flying Fox and then left the contest to Mr. Gilpin, who represented William C. Whitney, and to M. Blanc. Mr. Gilpin bought Aldermey for Mr. Whitney for 270 guineas. Gilpin also bought Mall for Mr. Whitney. The total nineteen foals were sold for 70,850 guineas. The sale was the greatest of a kind on record.

Flying Fox is a 4-year-old horse by Orme, dam Vampire, sire by Galopin, and was bred at the Duke of Westminster's famous establishment, Eaton Hall. Flying Fox distinguished himself as a 3-year-old by winning the English Derby, St. Leger, Two Thousand Guineas and several other highly valuable 3-year-old classics of the English turf. Flying Fox has a long line of illustrious ancestors, his blood lines combining the very best to be found in the English stud.

His sire, Orme, was a son of Ormonde, who was by Bend'Or. The latter won the Duke of Westminster's first Derby and his son, Ormonde, also carried the Duke's colors to victory in the blue ribbon 3-year-old classic of the English turf. Orme was the favorite for the derby of this year, but had to be withdrawn from the race on account of sickness. His owner always thought the horse had been poisoned, but others claimed the colt was suffering from blood poisoning, said to have been caused by bad teeth.

Flying Fox is the highest-priced horse ever sold. His grandsire, Ormonde, has held that honor heretofore. William O'Brien, Mc-Donough, a wealthy young Californian, paid $10,000 for Ormonde several years ago. The Duke of Westminster had sold the horse to parties in the Argentine Republic, and Mr. McDonough imported the animal to America and placed it at the head of the famous Menlo Park stud in California. Unfortunately for the American turf, Ormonde has not had much success in the stud in this country. The best of his get in this country is the mare Rosormonde, out of imp. Fairy Rose, dam of Hackbut and Fairy. Ormonde is now under lease to H. Haggin, who has him at Rancho del Paso in California.

The highest price ever paid for a harness horse was $14,000, when J. Malcolm Forbes, the Boston millionaire, gave the late Senator Leland Stanford for the trotter Arion.

W. H. Forbes, a brother of J. Malcolm Forbes, paid $2,000 for the imported English thoroughbred Meddler by St. Gatien. Meddler is the horse the late Squire Abingdon Baird expected to win the English Derby with. Baird, it will be remembered, died at New Orleans a few days after Bob Fitzsimmons defeated Jim Hall. The Squire's racing stable was then sold, and Mr. Forbes purchased Meddler. W. C. Whitney subsequently bought Meddler for $40,000, and placed the horse at the head of his La Belle stud in Kentucky.

The highest price realized for a thoroughbred in this country was $25,000, which Charles Reed paid for the famous Fairview stud in Tennessee, paid for Imp. St. Blaise, by Hermit. St. Blaise originally was imported to this country by the late August Belmont, the millionaire New York banker and turfman. When Mr. Belmont passed away the horse was put up at auction, and a great crowd of wealthy turfmen were present to bid on the horse. When the auctioneer asked for an offer, Mr. Reed created a sensation by shouting $100,000 right off the reel. Before the crowd could recover from its astonishment the great son of Hermit was knocked down to the proprietor of Fairview, who received enormous profits for the first and second crop of St. Blaise yearlings bred at his