



MORNING, EVENING AND SUNDAY THE TIMES' SPORTS EXCEL

Plenty of hot weather ahead this season for thin clothes wear. If there wasn't but a week of it, it would pay you to buy one of these thin suits or coats and vests.

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BOXING

The Eureka Club managers seem determined to keep things lively for their patrons. They are making up a programme for an entertainment on the 24th of this month that will give the boxing public something of a treat. The principal event is to be a go between Billy Dooley and Jack Daly. Dooley now has standing in the various sporting papers a challenge to box any man in this country at 130 pounds. He thinks he is a good one. He arrived in Washington yesterday. He is five feet eleven inches tall, but narrow for his length. Two other bouts are to be on the card on this night. One will be between Jack Grace and Jim Jennie and the other between Jim Brown and some other boxer, probably one of the Reedy boys.

Setting on the Corbett and Fitzsimmons fight, what might have been expected to be. Before this match was made it was predicted that Corbett would be a 4 to 1 favorite. The bets being offered at this time are 3 to 2, or 1 1/2 to 1 on the champion. When Sullivan and Corbett were matched bets were made as high as 5 to 1 on the then champion. This would indicate that there is not near so much confidence in Corbett's ability to whip Fitzsimmons as there was that Sullivan would defeat Corbett.

While the betting don't always indicate a winner, it is still a pretty good criterion. Billing odds are always made on the belief of those who are fitted to accurately judge merit and events, and this being the case, it will be apparent that the best judges of fighters and the opinions that control betting do not have the notion that Corbett lets on to be—that he will whip Fitzsimmons in a walk.

Indeed, the betting at present indicates that the knowing ones are suspicious that Bob will whip Jim. When Fitzsimmons whipped Peter Maher the odds were 100 to 75 on Maher. When Fitzsimmons whipped Dempsey the odds were 100 to 60 on Dempsey. When Fitzsimmons whipped Hall the odds were 100 to 75 on Hall. Bob seems to have the luck of whipping favorites.

That Fitzsimmons is being well advised is demonstrated by the fact that he is about to apply for his naturalization papers. By the advice of his friends, just before he fought Peter Maher in New Orleans, he declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States, and within a few days he will be declared a full-fledged American citizen.

The battle between Pete Boyle and Eddie Meyer takes place at Stretcher, Ill., tonight. The result of it will be looked for with interest, because the winner of it will in all probability be matched with Kid Lavigne. Meyer is the only ring battle he ever had, fought Lavigne to a standstill for twenty rounds, when he was put out by an unlooked for blow. He is said to be a much better man now, and wants another chance at Lavigne if he defeats Boyle, and there will be a lot of Chicago money go on him if another match is made.

Word comes from England that Peter Jackson is agreeing to a match with Peter Maher, and that one will be made before the latter returns to this country to box Steve O'Donnell. The battle is to take place in England.

GENERAL SPORTING NOTES.

Tom Cooper seems to be about as swift as any of the bicycle men. Cabanne, Bald, and Murphy could not beat him yesterday, though they all tried pretty hard.

The English cricketers who are expected to come to this country soon have concluded to abandon their trip. Why they do not say.

Wrenn and Chase beat the Neels in their tennis match at Narragansett yesterday, and the former pair are to meet Hovey and Hobart next week.

The pacing phenomenon Fitol went another fast race at Indianapolis yesterday. He put in three heats in 2:08 1/4, 2:05 1/4, and 2:05 1/4.

There are 125 entries for the professional and class B bicycle events to be run off at the Thoga track on Monday evening.

Ray El Santa Anita's defeat of Clifford Wheeler is liable to raise more turf gossip. The Baldwin stable has not been beyond suspicion on several occasions recently.

A Name to Conjure With. They tell a good story in Dalton of a recent revival meeting in one of the rural districts of Whitefield County. In the middle of the services the preacher said: "Will Brother Smith please lead in prayer?"

Seven men arose and began praying at once. This embarrassed the preacher, and he said, hurriedly: "I mean Brother John Smith."

At this announcement one sat down and five more got up and began praying. The preacher saw his mistake, said nothing and let the eleven pray it out among themselves.

Atlanta Constitution.

INTERNATIONAL CRICKET

Philadelphians Preparing for an Interesting Event.

OXFORD AND CAMBRIDGE

These Englishmen Will Come Over to Try Their Skill Against the Germantown Team—The Contest Will Take Place Next Month, If Nothing Happens to Prevent Them.

Philadelphia, Aug. 17.—The one thing that was needed to insure the success of the recently completed arrangements for the international cricket matches this fall was supplied yesterday, when the management of the Germantown Cricket Club received a cablegram from Mr. Kenneth McAlpine, in which the latter expressed his willingness to cancel his engagement to bring a team to this city in September. This clears the way for carrying out the programme for three games against Mr. F. Mitchell's Oxford and Cambridge Past and Present team, and accordingly the Associated Cricket Clubs, of which organization the Germantown Club is now a member, authorized the following official announcement yesterday afternoon: "Mr. McAlpine has accepted to the request of the Germantown Cricket Club, and has agreed to withdraw his team. The Oxford and Cambridge teams will play three matches in Philadelphia this fall, the first against the University of Pennsylvania Past and Present, on September 13, 14, and 16, at Wissahickon; the second against the Gentlemen of Philadelphia, September 20, 21, and 22, at Manheim; and the third against the Gentlemen of Philadelphia September 27, 28, and 30 at Haverford. A further official announcement, it is understood, will be made next week. The team that will represent the University of Pennsylvania in the match at Wissahickon will be a very strong one, as a very large majority of Philadelphia's ablest cricketers are graduates of old Penn.

BASEBALL NOTES

The League games played yesterday resulted as follows: Baltimore 12, Washington 8. New York 6, Brooklyn 4; second game, Brooklyn 10, New York 1. Philadelphia 9, Boston 6. Cleveland 5, Cincinnati 2. Cincinnati 4, Cleveland 2. St. Louis 6, Louisville 5.

The standing of the League clubs to-day is as follows: Philadelphia, 61; St. Louis, 50; Baltimore, 50; New York, 48; Boston, 47; Cincinnati, 46; Cleveland, 45; Washington, 44; Chicago, 44; St. Louis, 43; Brooklyn, 42; Louisville, 22.

The League games scheduled for to-day are as follows: Washington at Baltimore. Brooklyn at New York. Boston at Philadelphia. Cincinnati at Cleveland. Pittsburgh at Chicago. Louisville at St. Louis.

While the Senators are not showing very well in the pennant race, they every now and then hit a gait that makes things interesting for even the best of the League clubs. Although the Baltimore men have taken a majority of the games with the Washington team, they have learned to start right in at the beginning and do so right when they face our men. It was the general talk among the Baltimore rooters yesterday that the Senators popped up in spots when they were least expected to do so, and until the last man was out they did not feel sure that the Orioles would win, although the things looked rosy for them from the start.

Manager Hanlon who was in this city with the Orioles yesterday, does not agree with the notion that New York should play ball for the Temple cup, regardless of where the finishes in the pennant race. The cup was to be played for by the clubs finishing first and second, says Hanlon. It was given to act as an incentive to the players of the different clubs to secure first or second place. Previously, the players had no reason for fighting so hard, but now, together with the chances of winning the cup, they also have in view the fact that the total amount of money taken in on these games belong to them. This offers a great inducement for them to work all the harder, for there is nothing which makes a man hustle so much as does the chance for pecuniary reward.

"If the New Yorks finished in the bunch, and it looks as if they will, then for them to play in the cup series would be just like having the Yaght defend the American cup again. She successfully defended it last year, but this year has been badly beaten by another yacht, hence has no right to go in the race again. The New Yorks won the cup fair and square last season, but this season they have been out-clasped by nearly every club in the League, hence they have no right to play in the series. It is for the clubs which outplayed and out-clasped them to take part in this final series."

to be harmless, so far as the pennant fight goes. They got a game from the Brooklyn men yesterday; then turned around and got a soulless drubbing from the same club. They are now in eighth place, and there is little prospect that they will go much higher unless they strike a much swifter gait than they now are showing.

The tail-enders had a round at Von der Ahe's town yesterday. The Colonels went after themselves, and for thirteen hits, and then they were beaten. Each team made one. Both played good ball, but the St. Louis men had the best of the luck and won out after a hard fight.

Cleveland and Pittsburgh kept right in line. Both clubs won yesterday. They occupy the same positions on the list as on the day before. Cleveland leads Baltimore one point for first place. The two clubs seem determined to have it out between themselves, and from present appearances they are the ones who will finish first and second.

When the Boston men start home they will have little to be thankful for. They have had only a meagre taste of victory since they left their own stomping ground. They are now tied with Philadelphia for seventh place, with a good prospect of winning that position to-day. The Beaneaters are playing nothing like pennant-winning ball these days.

Abney did himself proud yesterday. He went after everything that started his way, and he got everything that was within reach.

The remarkable endurance of McGuire was commented on frequently yesterday. The incessant work he has been doing seems to have had no effect on him, and he keeps right along, putting up gut-gut ball.

Big Bill Joyce made the longest hit in the game yesterday. It went beyond the far end of the bleachers' quarters in right field and the rooters for the home team howled with delight.

CORBETT'S UNPOPULARITY.

A Correspondent Tells Why Washington Sports Do Not Like Him. Pondering Corbett has not been popular at Washington since he bounced a crowd of spectators out of an admission fee at one of the theaters under the pretense that he was going to give a sparring exhibition, says a correspondent of a Western paper. It was just before he went South to fight Sullivan; but when the time arrived instead of sparring, as promised, Corbett punched the bag. His excuse was that he might injure his chances for doing John L. When the news of the recent bar-room meeting at Philadelphia between Jim Corbett and Bob Fitzsimmons reached here the only regret expressed was because Fitz had not given him a licking just for luck. There is a sentiment here that Corbett is afraid of lanky Bob, and recognizes the fact that he is going up against a worthy foe, if he is out of his class. When the big fight comes off, if it ever does, if not given him a licking just for luck, Corbett will not be in it so far as Washingtonians are concerned, and nothing would please them more to learn of his defeat by the Australian. Among the sporting fraternity the opinion prevails that Corbett had a job put up before, and has been wanted to do him by fair means or foul to prevent the Dallas bout. It is claimed, however, by those favorable to Fitz, that he showed his good sense by keeping out of the affair until he had a water bottle knocked Brady down with a water bottle. Joe Corbett with a butt in the mouth, and might have floored the champion if permitted to get at him. Altogether the spoils of war seem to be on Fitz's side, according to the views of the sporting fraternity here.

ECONOMY IN SPELLING.

The Useless Letters of the French and English Language. Some French statisticians have turned himself loose on the subject of wasted words and letters. The French and English languages are, as he proves with many figures, especially open to criticism in this matter, and money is lost every year by lack of verbal economy. The French language contains 13 per cent. of useless letters. There are 6,800 journals published in the language, and they print 108,000,000,000 letters every year, so that 14,200,000,000 words are printed, not because they are needed, but they have come to be used in the French language as it is spoken. The writer computes that \$1,988,000 is the annual cost of this useless expenditure of printers' ink in France alone.

PLANTS AND FLOWERS.

A rose geranium is a good winter plant. Besides its delightful fragrance, it is one of the most desirable of geraniums. During September and October is the best time to put bulbs in the ground. If they are to be grown in pots in the house they can be potted later and at different times to insure a continuance of blooms.

Not many varieties of ferns are adapted to home culture. The sword fern, however, is the best. The most famous trainers and drivers of the day. He has handled some of the most noted pacers and trotters of the past twenty years, among others the great stallion Director, and his retirement will be regretted because of the service he has done the turf.

It is said that \$20,000 has been offered for the 4-year-old mare Beuzetta. A few days ago Beuzetta trotted a fourth heat of a 2:10 race in the fast time of 2:08 3/4.

Ed Corrigan paid \$10,000 for Handstone and \$8,000 for Leo Lake. Neither horse has shown himself to be of much account.

Griffin is to ride Hasket and Perkins will ride Hastings in the Futurity.

The Chesapeake stable, of Baltimore, met with a bad streak of luck a few days ago. The four-year-old mare Penelope is dead. The mare had a milk of 2:15 3/4 and promised to cut it down considerably before the season closed. Penelope was by McEwen, and in a race at Cleveland went halves in 1:03 1/4 and 1:04.

A new track, to be called the Withersville, is being built at Morris Park. It is to be ready for the fall meeting there. It is to

have but two turns, and it is believed will be very fast.

If horsemen would stop to think they would have just as good results from lightweight steel shoes or from paper ones, says a turf writer. When a light shoe is required place between the foot and the shoe a thick piece of felt that will stop the concussion and prevent stinging the feet on hard tracks. The only advantage of paper shoes are the lightness and thickness. The latter helps prevent jarring and stinging of the feet. In wet weather they twist and get out of shape.

STREET EXTENSION SUIT

Commissioners Complete Their Reply to the Tingle Injunction.

Important Points Involved in the Outcome and Their Effect Will Be Shown.

The reply of the Board of Commissioners to the application of Mr. A. K. Tingle, filed in the District Court, for an injunction to restrain them from placing the street extension plate on record was completed to-day, and is now in the hands of Attorney Thomas, who will present it to the court on Monday. More importance is attached to this suit than would appear at first glance. Should Mr. Tingle succeed in enjoining the Commissioners upon the state of facts alleged the work of street extension, upon which so much thought and care and labor have already been expended, will be practically at an end.

The Commissioners will endeavor to show, as they unanimously believe, that Mr. Tingle's property will not be damaged by the proposed street extension, but that, on the contrary, it will be greatly enhanced in value. The streets which it is proposed to extend, the board asserts, will only be continued when the necessity therefor is shown to exist, and that necessity is to be especially open to criticism in this matter, and money is lost every year by lack of verbal economy. The French language contains 13 per cent. of useless letters. There are 6,800 journals published in the language, and they print 108,000,000,000 letters every year, so that 14,200,000,000 words are printed, not because they are needed, but they have come to be used in the French language as it is spoken. The writer computes that \$1,988,000 is the annual cost of this useless expenditure of printers' ink in France alone.

Setting the Day. "You look tired, dear." The man who had given up his life to the young girl who so solicitously questioned him gazed down tenderly into the eyes of the girl who had been his life, says Brooklyn Life. "I am a trifle tired, my darling," he said. "Our cooking class was a little longer than usual this afternoon, and it had to stop." "Yes, dear," she replied, sympathetically. "I have heard mother tell how wearing they were to her, and I can understand in a measure how irksome they must be. Is this all you have been doing to-day?" "Oh, no," he cried. "This morning I attended an absorbing lecture on the care of the household, the first of a series that are to be given this season. It was so helpful."

"I can imagine so," she replied, softly. "Although a subject that has never claimed my serious thought, I can appreciate just how inspiring talks of this sort must be to one so ambitious as yourself."

"Indeed, yes, and that is not all," he exclaimed, enthusiastically. "I am looking up the subject of home decoration, and it is wonderful what a vast field it is. They asked me if I would prepare a paper on the use and abuse of tiles," he added, modestly. "but I haven't enough confidence in myself."

"Oh, why don't you?" she cried. "I am sure you could do it, dear, and all these things will be such a help in your future life. You are a dear, good boy, and you try so hard to please me."

With an exclamation of delight, her future life companion, the look of weariness on his face giving place to one of the greatest hopefulness, drew her swiftly to his arms.

"Do you think so?" he said. "Ah, my dearest, how I have longed to hear you say those words—the first words of praise for me that have ever fallen from your lips; and now that you have spoken them and when I can claim my reward and call you my own."

And there was a look of intermingled satisfaction and complacency in her face as she replied: "I think, James, dear, if you keep on in the way that you have begun that in three or four years you will be fitted to take upon yourself the duties of a husband."

Her Angel-Food. "Here is some angel-food I made myself," she said. He smiled. "Thank you, darling," he faltered, and partook. That night the painter dreamed, whereas he rose, and in feverish haste painted an art poster which brought \$750. Then he placed his wife fondly, called her a brave little woman, and wondered what he would do without her.—Detroit News-Tribune.

"It isn't cheap," protested the Rev. Mr. Howland; "I have to pay full rates for getting my sermons printed. They won't even give me the usual ministerial discount."—Indianapolis Journal.

TRUE LOVERS' QUARREL

But Judge Scott Gave the Man the Absence Cure.

Only Nine Victims of the Police Drag-Net Arraigned for the Justice Due to Them.

ARMY OFFICER IN TROUBLE.

Major Crowder Is Accused of Using a Clerk for Private Business. Major Joseph Crowder, the junior officer of the judge advocate's corps, with station at Omaha, has been reported to the War Department for utilizing one of his clerks in performing private work during government hours for the major's father, and it is highly probable that a court-martial will be ordered, and the major called upon for an explanation.

Major Crowder, besides being judge advocate for Gen. Coppinger's department, has also been acting engineer officer in the absence of the officer regularly assigned this duty.

Under the major is a corps of draftsmen, and one of them was set to work drawing plans for Crowder, senior, who holds some local office in small Missouri town. Naturally the draftsman expected additional compensation, but this was refused by the major, and the result was an open rupture, in which Gen. Coppinger acted as umpire.

The general, however, decided that the question was one calling for action by the War Department, and so reported the fact. No action has yet been taken, but it is expected that a court-martial will result.

ODD AND INTERESTING.

The Himalayan mountains have been seen 224 miles away.

The fish of Waterloo covered with a crop of crimson every year.

The present Sultan of Morocco is descended from an Irish girl, who became a member of the then royal harem more than 200 years ago.

Achylus in Siberia has a remarkable temperance society. Its members meet in the church on the 1st of September and swear before the altar that they will drink no wine or liquor "from to-morrow morning." They then go out and drink hard all day, till no man or woman is left sober. For the rest of the year they are total abstainers.

It is estimated that Lake Erie produces more fish to the square mile than any other body of water in the world.

What is probably the largest apple orchard in the world covers 1,537 acres in Fairmount, Kan.

The largest bee hive in the world is probably that at Bee Rock, Cal. It is a granite boulder, rising abruptly from the bed of a little affluent of the Arroyo Alameda, and it is scamed and scored with fissures of divers sizes. They are all inhabited by a vast population of bees and overflow with honey.

All of the states, kingdoms, principalities, empires, etc., of Europe, except Russia, and all of the United States, including Alaska, could be placed side by side in Siberia, and yet but little more than cover that immense country.

A Parsee sacred fire, which is burning in a temple at Legium, Persia, is known to have not been extinguished since the days of Baber, who lived twelve centuries ago.

The Western Union Telegraph Company makes about \$1,500,000 annually furnishing "exact time" from its naval observatory office in Washington.

Cheek pads for improving the contour of the face cost \$25 in London. They are made of corset and have to be molded with great care.

Maud Evans, a young lady of less than 20 years of age, residing in Beaver Falls, Pa., is said to have her third set of natural teeth.

It is claimed that Hazleton, Pa., possesses the only Mohammedan mosque in America, where the koran is regularly read.

The cellar of the Bank of France resembles a large warehouse. Silver coin is stored there in 800 large barrels.

The favorite variety of wheat among the Tartars has but one grain to each "head" or "ear."

A popular blotting-pad is made of stone found around the thermal springs of the West.

Royal Dairymaids. Probably the most ideal dairy in existence is that of the Princess of Wales, in which not only she, but her various daughters have learned to make the most perfect butter. The walls are covered with tiles presented to them by the Prince of Wales, who placed them there as a surprise to the royal dairymaids. They were made in Bombay and are of a deep peacock blue, the rose, shamrock and thistle being interwined with the motto, "Ich dien."

A white marble counter running around the room holds silver pans of milk from the Alderneys grazing without. Above this, on broad bracket shelves or marble is a collection, in every imaginable material, of cows, bullocks and calves—Italian and Parisian marble, alabaster, porcelain, terra cotta and silver—all gifts.

A long milk can, painted by the Princess Louise to match the Indian style, stands in one corner, and opposite the head of the princess' pet alderney, with a silver plate recording her virtues. Here the princess sometimes churns in a silver churn, and in the next room the butter for the family is made and sent up fresh every morning when they are in London. The day's supply is made up in little pans. Not a grain of salt is allowed in them and they are made the size of a half-dollar and the thickness of three, with either the crown, the coat-of-arms or the three feathers stamped on each.—Boston Traveler.

A Bicycling Accident. A funny incident—and not so funny, after all—occurred on the Fens the other afternoon. Two cyclists met unexpectedly. The woman did not turn to the right, and the man ran straight into her wheel, upsetting both. They scrambled to their feet, righted their bikes, and glared at each other for half a second. Then the man coolly slapped the woman's face, and, jumping on his wheel, rolled away with lightning speed. An eye-witness of the scene was ungalant enough to applaud the act, for, he said, it was deserved. What levelles these cycles be!—Boston Herald.

The Price-cuts

All through the stock are telling—Summer Clothes, Hats and Furnishings of every sort are largely reduced to press them out and make room for the Fall things that are to take their places. You who are wise will profit by these offerings:

- Splendid Quality SKRISTON SERGE COATS, single or double-breasted, for... \$5.00
Others as low as \$3—and from that up to \$6.00
All the WHITE DUCK PANTS are reduced to... 85c
A lot of Striped Flannel Pants, among them Bedford Cords, worth \$4 pair. Now... \$2.95
Men's All-wool Fast-color Suits, mixed and plain cassimere and chevise, that were \$10, \$11, \$12 and \$12.50. Now, to hurry them out... \$7.35
Men's All-wool Cheviot and Cassimere Suits, that were \$7.50. Now, to close... \$4.95

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A LUCKY ACCIDENT.

Why a "Jacketoon" Maker Turned His Attention to Puzzles. As an example of how a remunerative specialty in hardware forced itself on a receptive and appreciative Yankee, the following incident will be of interest, says Iron Age:

Among manufacturers small castings are often put in revolving cylinders with pickers or stars made of cast-iron, having usually six points, extreme ends of which are also an inch apart.

They are also familiar to toy dealers, who sell them to children as "jackstones." The pickers, together with the small castings, are put into the tumbling barrels, so that any particles of sand adhering may be removed and a better finish given the castings.

A large and well-known New England concern, which, in addition to the other lines, manufactures screw wrenches largely, formerly used a peculiarly shaped machine iron ferrule, with irregular openings at the four sides and circular openings at the two ends, weighing about an ounce.

Some of these ferrules chanced to be a part of the contents in one of the tumbling barrels.

When the barrel was opened the attendant noticed, what to him seemed almost incredible, that the picker with all its prongs, was inside the ferrule, the openings of which were very small. The observant mechanic logically concluded that as it had got in it could be got out again.

The phenomenon was brought to the attention of parties who decided to apply the idea to a puzzle, and the result is that the original manufacturers are now making the parts under contract, in ten lots, while the first order is said to have netted a profit to the promoters of \$1,700. This is known on the streets as the Trilby puzzle.

Blackberry Cordial. Blackberry cordial is an invaluable home-made drink for hot weather disorders of the stomach. To make it, squeeze blackberries enough to make a quart of juice, add a pound of loaf-sugar and let it dissolve, heating it slowly. Add 1 lb. teaspoonful of cloves, cinnamon and nutmeg. Boil all together twenty minutes. On removing from the fire add a wineglass of brandy. Put in bottles while hot and seal. Use a teaspoonful for a glass of iced water.

These Sporting Features

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