



Baseball

PLAY IN JAPAN.

Stanford University Players Planning to Meet Waseda Team in Tokyo.

The Cardinal baseball team, attached to the Stanford University of California, may possibly visit Japan next summer to play a return series of games with the representatives of the Waseda university and also to engage in several hit and run contests with the diamond artists of the Imperial university of Tokyo.

A fine dealing in athletic goods in San Francisco has made the offer to the collectors and guarantee to pay the entire expenses of the round trip. The baseball men are naturally very enthusiastic over the idea, but it is not known whether the faculty will permit the Stanford team to go off on a wholesale advertising tour of this sort.

In the spring of 1905 the Waseda team visited the coast and engaged in several games with the California and Stanford varsities. The trip of the Waseda nine aroused great interest in the American national pastime in the land of the mikado, and a tour of Japan by Stanford varsity has been greatly agitated by the Waseda enthusiasts.

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The peculiar form shown by Pitcher Christy Mathewson of the Giants this year puzzles the fans. "Matty" says that he has been peculiarly afflicted this season, says a special from New York. One day he can do what he can never do in his life. The next, perhaps, he can go about as far as five or six innings and then that distressing sensation, which follows the use of very strong medicines to cure a very severe ailment, overcomes him and his strength deserts him.

It may be of some interest to medical science to learn just what antitoxine seems to do to athletes. Newton of the Highlanders was attacked by diphtheria much as Mathewson was. When Newton began to return to something like his ordinary flow of spirits he found that he could not travel around the bases or gallop around the field as he had been wont.

His feet got heavy. He might go forth and pitch a few innings of a game in an ordinary frame of mind and the next that he knew, he couldn't run four feet to pick up a ball to save him from a stiff doctor's bill.

There were days when he began to think that he had become an old man some years before his time. Then he thought he would go around and inquire of the medical man what was happening to him, in view of such foolish pranks on the part of his pedal extremities.

The physician told him that it was the effect of the new fangled drug which had been administered to him to cure diphtheria. Antitoxine could clear up the disturbance in his breathing funnel, and would also leave him with two feet that were cramped by something over which he had no control.

Same thing with Mathewson. The antitoxine routed diphtheria, but it left the pitcher with a pair of feet and lower legs which show stranger idiosyncrasies than those of any ball player on earth barring Dr. Newton.

If some bad manager of a baseball nine were to hypnotize the members of a rival team, which threatened to win the championship, and inject antitoxine into their systems, to become the possessors of a champion-ship flag, he could possess himself of a "cinch." Yet it would be a mean thing to do.

To what extent may a pitcher carry deliberateness in his tactics on the slab before he subjects himself to just criticism as being unnecessarily slow? Doyle, the youngster on the New York Highlanders, is the latest man for the shafts of the hurry up reformer. He is tersely summed up as "the worst ever." But of course that doesn't go as far back as the days of tackle and full back.

Cuppy, of Cleveland, was the "slowest ever," and then some. Yet Cuppy was a good pitcher. There was method in his intolerable loitering. While the hungry spectators were looking at their watches and swearing, the impatient batter was sweating from nervousness and wondering what Cuppy wanted. Considering the importance of the task assigned to him, it seems surprising there are not more slow pitchers than there are. Yet with two deliberate twirlers at work, the game would be drawn out "the slowest ever," and then some.

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third and sending the fourth to a waiting outfielder.

Successful base runners generally bear marks of the ordeals through which they had to pass. In the memorable campaign of '97, Billy Hamilton, without a peer as a base runner in his day, played a most decided part to win the pennant for the Boston. Although in such physical condition that he should have been in the hospital, he persisted in playing, and no one would have suspected that anything ailed him. When a player played in Baltimore in those days, it was as much as his personal safety was worth. If he came out unscathed he was lucky indeed. It was a case of a tussle with McGann on first, with Hughie Jennings on second, and the toughest obstacle of them all—McGraw—on third base.

Hamilton undertook to make the game, and when he ran the gamut, and successfully got away from that bunch he was fit to carry home on a stretcher. Talk about a game player, Billy Hamilton was if there ever was such. No pennant in the country was more gallantly won, or more richly earned, than the pennant in 1897, and a more game lot of players never constituted a ball club than the club of that year representing Boston.

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THE NATIONAL LEAGUE. Standing of the Clubs. Chicago, 109; St. Louis, 103; Pittsburgh, 89; Philadelphia, 87; Cincinnati, 87; Brooklyn, 82; St. Louis, 80; Boston, 79.

Games Yesterday. At Philadelphia—R. H. E. Philadelphia, 7; Cincinnati, 9. At Brooklyn—R. H. E. Brooklyn, 6; St. Louis, 11. At St. Louis—R. H. E. St. Louis, 3; Cincinnati, 9.

At New York—R. H. E. New York, 2; Chicago, 12. At Boston—R. H. E. Boston, 6; Pittsburgh, 9.

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AMERICAN LEAGUE. Standing of the Clubs. New York, 85; Chicago, 83; Cleveland, 81; St. Louis, 79; Detroit, 73; Washington, 67; Boston, 46.

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Coughlin, Cobb, stolen bases Coughlin, 1; Cobb, 2. Left on bases, Detroit 4, New York 12; struck out, by Donovan, 1; by Schaefer, 1; by Williams, 1; by Chase, 1. Time, 2:05. Umpire, Hurst.

At Cleveland—R. H. E. Cleveland, 7; Philadelphia, 11. Batteries: Cleveland, Rhodes and Clark; Philadelphia, Schuman and Berry.

At St. Louis—R. H. E. St. Louis, 2; Washington, 10. Batteries: St. Louis, Powell and Spencer; Philadelphia, Dygert and Berry. Called on account of darkness.

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old rules. Dr. Hutchins will be able to turn out a fairly good nucleus of old players, he will have some material that has already proved worthy of wearing the moleskin.

However, he will have only three well-tried players, Captain Warren Gelbach, the star guard, "Strongman" Johnson, tackle, and "Cody" Clark, half and full back. Gelbach and Johnson played in most of the games last season. Clark did not do much last year, but made a good record in previous years.

Of the championship intercollegiate freshman football team last season Dr. Hutchins will have Stelhm, center; Beyer, sub-center; Rogers, end; "Puggy" Wright, end and quarter back; Captain Roy of the North Division High School, Chicago, half back, and Schwalm, half back.

Messner, a husky "sub" on the varsity last year and a weight man on the track team, also will return.

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HAMILTON RACE MEETING.

Hamilton, Ont., Sept. 25.—The postponed fall meeting of the Hamilton Jockey club, which began today, are for one of the very best race meetings ever held here. Though new stables have been built during the summer the accommodations are scarcely adequate for the unusually large number of entries. The horses have come back to the autumn races thoroughly seasoned after the summer's campaign and the quality of the thoroughbreds will make the contention for the stakes and purses the keenest in the history of the local track. The meeting will continue until October 3.

When Imp, the queen of the turf, "the coal black lady," went to the bad and could no longer win stake races, Pete Clay's heart broke. The heart, what was left of it, and that part of Pete that answered to a technical charge went to the Kings county penitentiary yesterday for a six months' rest.

Seven or eight years ago there was a better known jockey on the turf than Pete Clay, the "nigger," "Fido." The town was covered with flags, bill board posters, etc. "Handicap—a lion!" "Looked fine. They fell over one another getting into the park!" "Think! the strongest man in the world against a lion!" "Great play, great crowd, great scheme."

When the park was crowded to the gates, standing room signs taken down police were stationed at the gates to keep the mob outside quiet, and with the hand playing Sandow came out and a tremendous cheer. The band played and the drums beat and the crowd was almost crazy with joy. Then they brought the poor lion out. He was muzzled; he had big leather pillows over his paws, a tight collar around his neck that choked him, and altogether looked a prize package that was wrapped up for fear of breaking.

This was the ferocious lion that was expected to spring at Sandow when he entered the cage. The lion that could be taken apart, toss him from one side of the cage to the other and set the crowd mad.

The lion crawled over to one side of the cage, looked around once or twice and sprawled out as though he was to be given a nice sun bath for the benefit of the great crowd. Sandow carefully entered the big cage, had the doors locked behind him, stationed guards around the cage with big irons and guns and then the battle of cheering stopped.

Sandow stamped his foot, yelled at the lion and waved his arms in the air like a jumping jack. Nothing doing. He went over closer and gently kicked the lion, then jumped back ready for the scrap.

The lion turned his head around slowly and looked at him as much as he said: "Cheese, Sandow, don't bother me!" Sandow, becoming braver, went over, lifted the lion up, rolled him over and tried to make him fight.

There was no more fight in the lion than there is in a biscuit. Every time the lion hurt him, and he had no more chance of wrestling than a stuffed rabbit had. Just so with Jeff!

Sure, take him out now, train him down to nothing. He's all in, and when you get him weak enough soak him. Great fight. Great man. No wonder.

If some of these present-day wonders would get in and fight instead of getting a cheap boost occasionally by getting a better for the game. If Berger, for instance, would go and lick Al Kaufmann, Jack Johnson, Gus Ruhlin, Joe Jeannette and a few others, he might be thought a comer. This old bunk about signing right for a sailor boarding house, but we've had that before.

How do we know that Berger can fight? All the papers boosted him after his little six-round tete-a-tete with Jack O'Brien. There were no knockouts in that go. It wasn't such a ferocious affair. Because he out-pointed O'Brien we don't have to see him fight Jeffries before we know who he is good or not.

Terry McGovern was from the bottom right through the list of names before he battled for a championship. Jack O'Brien fought fifty or sixty hard goes before he was recognized. Bob Fitzsimmons battled hard and often before he was taken notice of.

Nix on this rough talk about getting Jeff. As Mr. Sharkey says, "do something." —Tad.

Rowing

Robert Bryson, of Indianapolis, president of the American Rowing congress, made the announcement that the national tournament at St. Louis this year will be held March 16 to 31. The constitution of the A. B. C. decrees that the tournament shall be held in February, but this rule has been waived before. A. B. C. decrees that the tournament will be held for the tourables in the month of the year. It has been asked for additional time. It was the original intention to use the coliseum in which Parker was nominated for the presidency in 1900.

President Bryson is of the opinion that the next tournament will be the biggest ever held, and that the Indianapolis delegation will be larger than ever before. He passed favorably on the vote of the executive committee to change the date of the tournament.

"But there is a good reason for his action. The fan problem and the window problem are two of the most annoying questions in the departments during the season the fans are in use and the windows are open. A good percentage of the clerical force of the different departments is from time to time laid up and away from their duties by reason of colds and sickness contracted by drafts from the windows or from currents of air blown by the fans.

In the main reason for this is because the desks of clerks are arbitrarily fixed by the chiefs. The rooms are mostly very crowded with clerks and files, and a clerk must stay where he is put. And he is also required to remain seated at his desk and cannot shift to a more desirable location in the room, as he can in a private office. Consequently clerks in exposed portions in a room are often made ill, and this means an absence from the office, not to speak of the clerk's personal discomfort or his consequent illness and suffering. A number of clerks away because of illness means a retarding of the work, which is a serious matter with the chiefs who are responsible for getting out the work.

"We have found in the departments that currents of air from fans are even more deadly than drafts from windows. There is a great deal of activity among the clerks in crowded rooms and with the close, heated atmosphere therein they perspire freely.

Many a person who is the picture of health isn't well framed.

Advertisement for Sheboygan Mineral Water. Includes an illustration of a Native American man and a bottle of water. Text: "Sheboygan Mineral Water. Rare in flavor and delightfully refreshing. Splits 10 cts. For Sale Everywhere. GRAND FORKS FRUIT CO., Agents."

Advertisement for School and Office Furniture and Supplies. Includes an illustration of a desk and chair. Text: "SCHOOL AND OFFICE Furniture and Supplies. Use the MULTI COPIER—Copies do not curl or feel sticky. Every teacher should have one. Handy in the office. Commercial Map of U. S. for schools and offices, just completed. New Map of North Dakota, cloth back \$1.50."