FIRST HEAT WAS A FAILURE.

Neither the Columbia Nor Shamrock II Finished Within Time Limit.

THE AMERICAN YACHT LED THROUGHOUT.

She Was Headed But Once in the Twenty-five Miles Covered—The Englishmen Were Outjockeyed by the American Crew.

New York, September 26.—One of the biggest crowds that ever put to sea went down to the Sandy Hook lightship to see Sir Thomas Lipton's second challenger, Shamrock II, and the white flyer, Columbia, which successfully defended the old America's cup against his first trophy hunter, two years ago, struggle for the yachting supremacy of the world in the first of the cup races of 1901. But the excursion fleet returned disappointed. The great single-stickers went out this morning fresh for the battle, but the sea refused them a field of conflict. The wind, never more than nine and sometimes as low as three knots, was too light and shifty to carry the contestants over the thirty-mile course in the time allotted by the rules. At the end of five and a half hours, the prescribed time, the race was declared off with the American yacht five miles from the finish line. The Shamrock was well astern of her.

Americans will have reason to congratulate themselves upon the result of the first trial. The Columbia was headed but once in the twenty-five miles covered and then the Englishman showed the way only five minutes.

In windward work the Columbia beat the foreigner seven minutes and forty seconds to the outer mark and increased her lead somewhat in the broad reach for home. Certainly Columbia's superiority in light airs appears to have been demonstrated today. Shamrock II did not in fact make as good a showing as did Lipton's first challenger in the half dozen flukes that preceded the actual races two years ago. What Shamrock may be able to do in heavy weather is, of course, problematical, but Columbia has been tried and all her admirers insist that she is distinctly a heavy weather boat.

The big racers had already been towed out and when the fleet arrived they were circulating and wheeling like great gulls about the lightship. The polished bronze hull of the Shamrock gleaming in the sunlight made her look like a yellow-breasted gull with white pinions. The white revenue cutters and yachts of the patrol fleet each with the vertically striped revenue flag at the forepeak marshalled the excursion fleet behind the line.

Shortly before 11 o'clock a big black tug flying the blue flag of the regatta committee puffed into the fleet, measured off the 200 yards starting line from the lightship, let go her anchor and then hoisted the signal "D. B. V.," indicating that the course would be east by north, fifteen miles straight into the eye of the wind and return. Then another big tug started off straight out from the Long Island shore to set the outer mark. The log over her taff rail, which measured the distance, took no account of the tide which was running out, so that the distance she covered before the float was dropped overboard, measured by the bottom of the sea, was probably nearer seventeen than fifteen nautical miles.

With the firing of the preparatory signal from the committee boat, there began the jockeying behind the line of which Charley Barr, the American skipper, has proved himself so many times a grandmaster. And the skill he displayed today was enough to warm the hearts of those who saw it. He got into the windward berth and try as the Englishman did, he could not shake him off. As the red ball which marked the warning signal was hoisted the English skipper in despair put up his tiller, crossed the line and tacked about the lightship, but the Columbia hung to him as if one tiller were answering for both and when they again raced for the line, it was like two thoroughbred horses neck and neck. But Barr was still to the windward. The two skippers crossed the line thirty seconds before the starting gun fired.

The two big canvas-clouded racers were wound round as if turning on their keels and as the smoke from the gun sped away, both were on the starboard tack, but Columbia half a length in the lead and a length to the windward. Both carried the same sails—main, club topsail, staysail, jib and baby jib. For ten miles down the Long Island shore in plain view of the people the big single-stickers smashed into the head seas, sending spray smoking to the cross trees. Strain as Shamrock would, she could not hold her white rival even. Slowly, but surely, Columbia forged ahead, pointing high and footing faster. Shamrock tacked and tacked again, but Columbia went about with her each time and appeared to be the more nimble. Timed again and again by the experts, she was quicker in stays by ten seconds.

Over 150 feet above the water line, a height equal to a modern ten-story building, the slender topmast yard of the Shamrock lifted her pyramid of canvas, but her eighty-three square feet more of canvas than the Columbia carried could not make her overtake the white beauty.

It was directly off Long Beach hotel that the Shamrock showed in front for the first and only time during the race. But the victory was short-lived. The Columbia rapidly overtook her adversary and Captain Sycamore in desperation concluded to press on more canvas by trying a larger jib topsail. While the sailors were out on the bowsprit taking in the old and bending on the larger sail, the Columbia went by the Shamrock as if she had been moored to the dock, making two feet to her one. From that time to the outer mark the Columbia gained steadily. She rounded the turning point seven minutes and four seconds ahead of the Shamrock. From that time on it was a procession, not a race, the wind gradually died down and an hour before the time limit expired it was evident that the yachts could not finish in time. The unfinished race will be resailed on Saturday.

After the race Sir Thomas Lipton said: "It was not a satisfactory race. The wind was so erratic. A race sailed on such a day, if it can be finished at all, depends upon the lucky chance of position, as to wind, of one boat or the other. I was never more hopeful of the Shamrock than I am now. I am confident I shall get the cup. I have never seen more skilful handling of a boat than was shown by Captain Barr of the Columbia today. The Shamrock, too, was well managed."

Designer Watson said: "I am very well satisfied with what the boat did today. Whenever she had a breeze of any strength she did exactly as I expected her to do."

The Columbia set her biggest club topsail. The Shamrock was under mainsail, big club topsail and head sails. The course was east by north, fifteen miles to windward and return. The wind was eight knots.

The warning gun was fired at 11:05 and the two racers began to jockey for the weather berth at the start. Baby jib topsails were hoisted in stops on both craft after a false start. The two yachts wore round and immediately after the gun sounded the Columbia, on the starboard tack, crossed the line ahead. The Columbia was to the windward, the official time being:

Columbia 11:10:48.
Shamrock 11:11:01.

The challenger went on the port tack just after crossing and the defender followed her example. In order to get free from the lack windward of her antagonist, which was retarding her considerably, the Shamrock was kept broad of the wind and she speedily worked clear of her rival, going through the water very fast. The Columbia held her luff and it was noticed that when the two were close hauled the American yacht pointed higher than the Shamrock. The Shamrock went about on the starboard tack at 11:28. The Columbia also tacked. The American boat was quicker in stays and gathered way faster than the Shamrock.

At 11:35 the Columbia went on the port tack and crossed the bows of the Shamrock a good 300 yards in the lead.

At 11:43 both yachts went on the starboard tack. At 12:15 the yachts went on the port tack, which they held until 12:33, at which time the Columbia was almost becalmed, her mainsail slatting as she rolled in the lumpy sea. Strange to say, while this was happening, the Shamrock seemed to have a nice little breeze of her own. Both yachts then tacked, and here it may be said that when one boat went about the other followed its example except at 1:47, when the Shamrock went on the starboard tack and the Columbia failed to follow her. Captain Barr probably did this in the expectation that the breeze must have been coming in more from the southward, as is quite frequently the case in the afternoon in this vicinity. But instead of a breeze the Columbia fell into the flattest of flat calms, while the Shamrock was enjoying the advantage of a gentle air which had a good deal of propulsive power. Thus for this was the only time the Shamrock was leading.

At 1 o'clock both yachts were again on the port tack, the Columbia a good eighth of a mile to leeward. Then the breeze piped up and the Columbia, after a few more tacks, was once more ahead. It was a great piece of sea jockeying on the part of Barr to make up this leeway. At 1:23 both craft took the pitch to starboard; at 1:31 they went on the port tack and again on the starboard tack at 1:37, standing on this tack about twenty minutes, when they went about until they made sure of fetching the mark on the starboard tack.

At 2 o'clock the Shamrock took in her jib topsail and set one slightly larger. At 2:45 the mark was in plain sight of the naked eye and the Columbia, increasing her lead every minute, was heading straight for it. When close to it the little jib topsail was hauled down and a big balloon sent up in stops to replace it. At 3:03 the Columbia tacked around the stake boat and, easing away her main sheet and breaking out her balloon jib topsail, was standing on her homeward course.

The Shamrock made a very good turn, but was quite slow in setting her jib topsail, which was one of the variety known as "reaching" sails and not a balloener. It was excellent judgment on the part of those on the Shamrock to set this sail, for the wind headed the Columbia soon after, making it a rather close reach to the home mark and rendering it necessary to take in the balloener and replace it with one similar to that of the Shamrock.

The official time at the outer mark was:

Columbia	3:06:32
Shamrock	3:12:17

The wind continued so light and with no signs of breezing up that it became clear that the race could not be concluded within the time limit of five and a half hours. At 4:40 the regatta committee declared the race off. The Columbia was at this time about five miles distant from Sandy Hook lightship. The Shamrock was a good three-quarters of a mile astern.

To sum up today's performance of the two yachts it may be said that in light weather such as prevailed today the Shamrock proved to be no match for the Columbia. What she may accomplish with a good wind remains to be seen.

CHAGRIN AND DISAPPOINTMENT.

Apparent Poor Showing of Shamrock Keenly Felt in London.

London, September 26.—The failure of the yachts to cover the course in time to constitute a race has created general disappointment, but chagrin at the apparent poor showing of Shamrock II overshadows all other expressions of feeling. The great suburban population of London was kept advised of the progress of events by pyrotechnics at the Alexandra and Crystal palaces on the north and south sides of the city.

The London crowds chiefly gathered on the embankment watching the red and green electric lights making progress up the high tower on the Surrey side in accordance with the positions of the yachts.

Constant bulletins at the leading hotels supplied the news to hundreds of others.

Londoners Almost Hopeless.

London, September 26.—Neither the betting nor the comment of the newspapers respond to the optimistic views cabled here of the chances of the Shamrock II in the race for the America's cup. Sporting men offered 6 to 4 on the Columbia after the receipt of the early morning cable dispatches from Sandy Hook giving the weather conditions, which were considered not too favorable to the challenger. Sir Thomas Lipton has the best wishes of the man in the street, who has donned the green ribbon as a token of sympathy, but confidence in Sir Thomas' ability to win is conspicuously absent.

How the Betting Stands.

New York, September 26.—Numerous wagers on the yacht races were reported in stock exchange circles today. Most of these were at odds of 10 to 8 on Columbia, but as good as 10 to 7 was offered at times.

STAKES FOR TWO-YEAR-OLDS.

Hitchcock Steeplechase and the Algeria Were Run at Gravesend.

New York, September 26.—The main features of the card at Gravesend today were the Hitchcock steeplechase and the Algeria stakes for 2-year-olds. In the first named Zanzibar at 5 to 1 was the winner by two lengths in a driving finish. Sixteen 2-year-olds ran in the Algeria stakes and Femesole, second choice, led all the way and won by five lengths in :59 3-5, a new track record.

Handicap, about six furlongs—Gold Seeker, Caughnawaga, Golden Cottage. Time 1:11.

Mile and a furlong, selling—Lady Chorister, Little Daisy, Intrusive. Time 1:55.

Hitchcock steeplechase handicap, about two and a half miles—Zanzibar, Jessie S., Miss Mitchell. Time 4:51.

Algeria stages, five furlongs, selling—Femesole, Man of War, Leonid. Time :59 3-5.

Mile and seventy yards—Paul Clifford, Aked Scheck, Anna Darling. Time 1:45.

About six furlongs—Tower of Candles, Sadducee, Bastile. Time 1:10 1-5.

GRAVESEND ENTRIES.

Handicap, five and a half furlongs, 2-year-olds—King Hanover 112, Grail 108, Pentecost 113, Rockwater 114, Numerat 102, Fair Knight 107, Chilton 123, Carrol D. 93, Flora Pomona 115, Emshee 118.

All ages, handicap, mile and a sixteenth—The Amazon 97, McAddie 95, Lombre 86, Fonsolee 85, 81, Finnan 98, Teddy 108, Broadstreet 85, Knight of Rhodes, Terminus 118, Ethics 96, Belle of Troy 107, Janice 98.

Two-year-old maiden fillies, about six furlongs—Early Eve, Bells, Donna Honora, Fast, Bessie McCarthy, Wild Rose, Tehuta, Clipper, Anna Handspring, Miss Patay 110.

All ages, mile and a sixteenth—Ogden 122, Gem Paul 104, Ethics 116, Fly Wheel 100.

Selling, mile and seventy yards—Potente 100, Smoke 108, Bold Knight 103, Klaulkinnie 100, Astor 98, Fonsolee, Alfred Vargrave 103, Nitrate 95, Animosity 89.

Maidens, about six furlongs—Scotch Bush 108, Zamora, Kalif 100, Boojum, Hops, Elegy 105, Bobs 108, Somerset 112, Irene Lindsey, Weel Gatherer.

Clear and fast.

BAD DUMPS AT DELMAR.

Ann, with Odds of 60 to 1 Against, Beat Satincoat, a Favorite.

St. Louis, September 26.—The racing at Delmar was characterized by bad dumps. Ann, in the second, with odds of 60 to 1 against, beat the favorate, Satin Coat, by half a length.

Six and a half furlongs—Golden Eastern, Lake Fonso, Miss Cooney. Time 1:22½.

Mile and three sixteenths, selling—Ann, Satin Coat, Orlandine. Time 2:02¾.

Five and a half furlongs—Wakita, Ogle, Lillian M. Time 1:08½.

Six furlongs, selling—Nearest, Four Leaf Clover, Meddlesome. Time 1:15¼.

Mile, selling—Flying Eagle, Burnett's Walkaway, The Wag. Time 1:43¾.

Six and a half furlongs, selling—Our Lady, Salinda, Delcasine. Time 1:21¼.

DELMAR ENTRIES.

Five furlongs, maidens, 2-year-olds—Normize 105, Mazzera 100, Conner Boy 108, Hydrophobia 105, Hard Castle, Sarah Block 110, Badger 105, Florrie S., Little Master 100, Zorn, Chandoo 110.

Mile, selling—Glenbow 92, Mr. Brookwood 102, Dog Luis 104, Marcy 92, Ford 95, Belle of Eight 89, Firebug, Moonelite 96, Meteora, Birdie May 104.

Five furlongs, maidens, 2-year-olds—Catherine Kaex, Rubus 110, More 100, Phonolite 105, Wyapper, Tenny F. 100, John Storm 105, Virginian 105.

Mile and twenty yards, selling—Joe Dougherty 106, Lady of the West 103, Kitty Clyde 109, Scorpolette, Deloraine 95, The Wag 106, Honeywood 105.

Six furlongs, selling—Corrinne C. 95, Goody Good 98, Aleda 100, Jim Scanlan 98, Irenita 90, Dr. Lovejoy 96, Miss Thomey 95.

Mile, selling—Tea Gown 103, Sam Lazarus 107, La Spara 107, Swordman 113, Orris, Percy R. 104, Dogswell 94, Jessie Jarboe 110, Terra Incognita 116.

Clear and fast.

Alladdin Won Endurance Stakes.

Chicago, September 26.—Aladdin won the $1100 Endurance stakes at a mile for 2-year-olds at Hawthorne today.

Mile and twenty yards—Silurian, Little Elkin, Fantasy. Time 1:42.

Seven furlongs, selling—Gonfalon, Tosh, Maggie Davis. Time 1:26½.

Steeplechase, short course—Dick Furber, Ed Moe, Populist. Time 2:38¼.

The Endurance stakes, mile—Aladdin, South Trimble, The Giver. Time 1:42½.

Mile and a furlong—Odnor, Charley O'Brien, Strangest. Time 1:52¾.

Six furlongs, selling—Tommy Foster, Emathion, Rose Plum. Time 1:14.

Mile—Leo Newell, Julia Junson, Beuckran. Time 1:41.

HAWTHORNE ENTRIES.

Selling, six furlongs—Automaton 122, Delmarch 105, Jim Winn 105, Artesa 104, Zack Phelps 104, Ural 104, Little Pepper 102, Boomerack 100, Whang Doodle 97, Eva's Darling 97, Frank M. 97, Minnie Cobb 97.

Selling, one mile and a sixteenth—Star Chamber 107, Hermencia 105, Hard Knot 103, Reseda 103, Sarilla 102, Laureate 101, Adelante 92, Uncle Tom 85.

Five furlongs, 2-year-olds—Merringat 115, Jack Ratlin 109, J. V. Kirby 109, Evening Star 108, Isameloso 105, Pronta 102, Gallantry 99, Lingo 99, Buzzer 99, Inventor 96, Cure 95, The Stewardess 95.

Handicap, one mile and seventy yards—Rolling Roer 102, Malay 100, Baird 98, Brutal 95.

Selling, six furlongs—Ranco 111, Miss Conrad 110, Sevoy 110, Syula 109, Seguranca 107, Oliver Mac 107, Hop Scotch 107, School for Scandal 104, Brownie Anderson 102, Meroni 100, Lydia S. 97, Mountebank 97.

One mile—Captain Hamm 108, Goal Runner 108, Specific 108, Anchor 108, Ambassadric 108, Chester 108, MacGyle 100, Irish Jewel 100, Facade 100, Johnny McCarthy 96, Valdez 96, Little Elkin 96.

BASEBALL.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Pittsburg	131	86	45	.657
Philadelphia	131	77	54	.588
Brooklyn	132	76	56	.576
St. Louis	132	69	63	.523
Boston	132	69	66	.500
New York	129	52	78	.403
Chicago	135	51	84	.378
Cincinnati	127	48	79	.378

Pittsburg, Pa., September 26.—It was one of the fastest and hardest contests of the season. Both pitchers performed in splendid fashion. Chesbro did the better work as a whole, though Newton gave but two hits up to the sixth inning. In that inning five hits, an error and two slow plays by the visitors gave the game to Pittsburg.

Score—

		R	H	E
Pittsburg	000 004 00x	4	8	3
Brooklyn	011 100 000	3	8	2

Chesbro and Zimmer; Newton and McGuire.

Cincinnati, September 26.—Boston could do nothing with Hahn today and the Cincinnatis played winning ball, making no errors.

Score—

		R	H	E
Cincinnati	220 021 00x	7	14	0
Boston	100 000 010	2	5	2

Hahn and Bergen; Dineen and Kittredge.

Chicago, September 26.—New York won easily today by outplaying Chicago at all stages of the game.

Score—

		R	H	E
Chicago	000 100 000	1	7	3
New York	011 001 110	5	9	1

J. Taylor and Chance; I. Taylor and Warner.

St. Louis, September 26.—The locals got three hits off White's glitedge twisting.

Score—

		R	H	E
St. Louis	000 300 100	4	3	1
Philadelphia	000 100 005	6	13	3

Yerks and Schriver; White and McFarland.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	P. C.
Chicago	135	82	53	.607
Boston	133	76	57	.571
Detroit	133	73	60	.541
Philadelphia	133	71	62	.534
Baltimore	131	67	64	.511
Washington	133	61	72	.459
Cleveland	134	55	79	.410
Milwaukee	134	48	86	.358

Baltimore, September 26.—It was nip and tuck between Baltimore and Cleveland today, but the home team won out. Both pitchers were hit hard. Home runs by Keister and Howell and a triple play by Williams and Keister were the features.

Score—

		R	H	E
Baltimore	004 002 112	10	17	5
Cleveland	000 141 300	9	17	1

Karnes and Bresnahan; McNeal and Wood.

Philadelphia, September 26.—Plank was wild and ineffective today and Milwaukee won without difficulty.

Score—

		R	H	E
Milwaukee	021 204 010	10	14	0
Philadelphia	120 000 000	3	10	4

Reidy and Maloney; Plank and Powers.

Washington, September 26.—Yeager pitched a good game and all of Washington's runs resulted from his poor support. Game called at end of eighth on account of darkness.

Score—

		R	H	E
Washington	001 002 00	3	8	0
Detroit	401 000 00	5	8	3

Mercer and Clarke; Yeager and McAllister.

Boston, September 26.—Chicago tied in the ninth on Foster's three bagger. The runner scored on Parent's bad throw. In the last half Freeman hit for a single and the next two men were easy outs. Then Callahan issued two passes and hit a man, forcing the winning run.

Score—

		R	H	E
Boston	000 200 001	3	5	3
Chicago	001 000 001	2	3	2

Lewis and Criger; Callahan and Sugden.

RETIRES NEXT WEEK.

President Hays to Sever Connection with Southern Pacific.

San Francisco, September 26.—The Call will say tomorrow: Charles M. Hays, president of the Southern Pacific Railroad company, severs his connection with the corporation on October 1. All heads of departments have been notified by Mr. Hays that he leaves the company on that date.

FOOTBALL.

Outlook for the Season Is a Most Excellent One.

New York, September 24.—The Columbia football team has a pretty hard schedule for this year with Harvard, Pennsylvania, Yale, Cornell and the Indians to play, but West Point has a still harder one. The cadet eleven is booked to play every member of the "Big Four"—Harvard, Yale, Princeton and Pennsylvania—not to mention its most important game, that with Annapolis. Last year Columbia played each of the "Big Four" teams, but West Point is the only eleven that has such an ambitious schedule this season.

It is thought the soldiers will be very strong this year. They always are strong, considering the comparatively small number of men to select from. If ex-Captain Daly of Harvard, one of the best quarterbacks that ever wore canvas, plays with the cadets, as it is said he will do, he will add materially to their strength.

Lieutenant Kromer, captain and quarterback of the team a few years ago, will be head coach this fall. He knows the game well, and besides Daly can render valuable assistance. The last two or three years West Point has been relying on graduates for its coaching. Annapolis, on the other hand, has been having Princeton stars to coach. Cochran and Trenchard coached the middies last year, and Hildebrand is to coach them this fall.

George Stillman, mentioned as the probable head coach at Yale, is as good a man for the place as the Elis could obtain. Being tackle on the team last year and used frequently in the tackle-back formation, which wrought such havoc with opposing teams, he knows the working of that formation from A to Z. Stillman is an illustration of what hard work, application and coaching will do. He did not create a profound impression as a tackle when he first appeared as a member of the Yale varsity team, but there was a distinct improvement when he played against Columbia the year before last. His opposite on the Columbia team made things decidedly interesting for him, but his hard and fierce playing in the last few minutes of the game was noticeable. Last year Stillman was still better. In fact, he stood out prominently in a year when there were a number of high class tackles, and before he left college had turned out to be as good a tackle as Yale ever had, ranking with Wallis, Winter and Gill.

There is no indication as yet that any ends will be developed this season to equal the stars of the past decade that that position has produced. Really great ends were scarce last year, and may be so this year unless some unexpectedly turn up. Captain Campbell of Harvard is as good as the best, but may play behind the line this year. Hallowell, the best end last year, is out of it. Gould of Yale is the veteran of the lot, with Campbell behind the line, and is a reliable man, fast for his weight, but not the equal of the famous Hinkey. At Princeton there are no signs of a Poe or a Palmer, the wonderfully speedy pair of '98 and '99; nor are there any candidates in sight yet at Pennsylvania to fill the shoes of Boyle and Dickson. If Columbia can find a mate for Van Hoevenburg the equal of that player, the blue and white will have its flanks as ably guarded as any of them.

BASEBALL TRUST.

Proposed Combination to Control Professional Athletics.

New York, September 26.—The Evening World says: A great trust in baseball and professional athletics is being organized by magnates of the National league, headed by President Hart of the Chicago club and Andrew Freedman of the New York club.

Articles of incorporation of the National Athletic company, which is to be the name of the new combination, have been drawn up and the promoters expect to have control of professional athletics before the opening of the season next spring.

A tremendous saving in expenses and the abolition of the costly warfare now waged between rival organizations and between rival magnates and players is contemplated. Whether Hart and Freedman and their associates expect to seek the control at once, athletic sports and other branches outside of baseball, they will not say.

The contemplated capital stock is $30,000,000. The main object of the combine will be to merge the National and American leagues.

EDITH W. ESTABLISHED RECORD.

Paced Three Consecutive Heats Faster Than Even by a Mare Before.

Cincinnati, September 26.—The feature of the card at Oakley park today was the 2:06 pace, which was won by Edith W. in straight heats in 2:05¼, 2:02¼ and 2:05¼. These are the fastest three heats for the class this year and are also the fastest three consecutive heats ever paced by a mare.

The 2:16 pace went to Birch Bud.

In the first heat of the 2:06 pace Harry Ernest and Frank Bogash, drivers of Dumont W. and Harry O., were fined $100 for not driving to win and all bets were declared off.

The 2:20 pace went to Cambria Maid in straight heats.

2:16 pace, purse $1000 (five heats decided Wednesday)—Birch Bud won. Best time 2:11.

2:06 pace, purse $1000—Edith W. won. Best time 2:05¼.

2:20 pace, purse $1000—Cambria won. Best time 2:11¼.

ROAD DRIVERS' MEETING.

Many Noted Trotting Horses Will Appear in the Event.

New York, September 26.—Many of the noted trotting horses of the Grand Circuit will appear at the meeting of the Road Drivers' association on the Empire City track Saturday afternoon. Six classes are on this program, apart from the Wall street championship race that will decide the relative ability of four 2-year-old horses that were presented to four well known amateur drivers by W. P. Olcott. The men who will drive are C. K. G. Billings, Anthony N. Brady, Hugh J. Grant and A. C. Hall.

CRESCEUS FAILED TO LOWER IT.

King of Trotters Failed to Lower the World's Record Made by Him.

Philadelphia, September 26.—Crescens, the king of trotters, today failed to lower his record of 2:02¼, made at Columbus, Ohio, August 2 in a trial on the Belmont Driving club course at Narberth, a suburb of this city. The great son of Robert McGregor stepped the mile in 2:04½ without a skip and thereby reduced the track record of 2:08¾, made by Alix on November 17, 1894.

Janger Got Decision.

St. Louis, September 26.—Benny Janger of Chicago gained the decision here tonight over George Dixon, former featherweight champion of the world, after fifteen rounds of fast fighting.

Galveston to Try It Again.

Galveston's crack baseball club, the Santa Fes, were very much disappointed at not defeating the Firemen last Sunday and are going to try it over again next Sunday. They are a good aggregation of ball players and are at a loss to understand why they were so badly defeated in their last game here. Their line-up will be the same in the coming game and they will try their best to win. Sid Proctor will call play promptly at 4 p. m.

PENNANT RACE NOT DECIDED.

Nicklin Says Little Rock Has Protested the Games Played with Nashville.

Little Rock, Ark., September 26.—In a telegram tonight to the Arkansas Gazette, President J. B. Nicklin of the Southern Baseball association says: "The pennant race will not be decided until the board reports. Little Rock has protested all the games of the Nashville-Little Rock series in Little Rock. The board will meet in October, I think, at Chattanooga."

THE TEXAS FIRE RECORD.

Barn Near Halletsville.

Halletsville, Texas, September 26.—Fire last night destroyed the immense barn of William Appelt on his ranch, three miles north of town. Origin of fire is unknown. The barn was a large one and was filled with hay, corn and cotton seed. The loss will amount to $2500 or more; no insurance.

Residence at Palestine.

Palestine, Texas, September 26.—The residence of Jesse Pope on North Jackson street was destroyed by fire at a late hour last night. All the household goods were either burned or badly damaged by water, with but little insurance. By good work on the part of the fire company they managed to save a part of the house. The origin of the fire is not known.

Gin Near Elgin.

Elgin, Texas, September 26.—Last night about six miles south of Elgin the gin of A. C. Lawhorn burned to the ground; the same was a total loss, valued at $5000 and insured for $1500 in the Sun and $1500 in the Southern. There were eleven bales in the yard lot; all were saved except one bale. Origin of the fire unknown.

Barn Near Bertram.

Bertram, Texas, September 25.—Mr. T. W. Gibbs, who lives six miles west of this place, lost his barn and contents by fire night before last, the loss including building, corn, cotton seed, top fodder and one set of wagon wheels. Total loss about $900, with no insurance. Origin of fire unknown.

Tenant House at Cameron.

Cameron, Texas, September 26.—Yesterday a tenant house in North Cameron belonging to Hon. T. S. Henderson was destroyed by fire. Loss about $500.

BUSINESS MATTERS.

Bankruptcy Matters.

Galveston, Texas, September 26.—By order of Judge Bryant the term of the United States district court at Beaumont was adjourned September 23 and 24 out of respect to the memory of President McKinley. On last Tuesday eight applicants were discharged in bankruptcy: Goldberg Bros. of Houston were adjudged bankrupt: liabilities $10,063: assets none.

Judge Bryant of the United States district court has issued final discharges to William J. Duhig of Houston and Albert Peters of Galveston, applicants for bankruptcy.

Charles B. Williams of Houston has filed application for final discharge in bankruptcy.

FAIRBANKS FOR PRESIDENT.

Name of Indiana Senator to Be Placed Before Republican Convention.

Atlanta, Ga., September 26.—The Constitution tomorrow will say: Smiley N. Chambers, an attorney of Indianapolis and a leading Indiana republican, is in the city, and it is understood he is here in an effort to secure the indorsement of Georgia republicans for the nomination for president in 1904 of Senator Charles W. Fairbanks of Indiana.

United States Marshal Walter Johnson paid a visit to Colonel Chambers yesterday, and it is supposed a conference was held regarding the matter. Colonel Chambers, however, states that such was not the case; that there is little doubt that the name of the Indiana senator will be presented to the next National republican convention by a solid Indiana delegation.

Colonel Chambers is accompanied by his wife and states that he is here on a combined business and pleasure trip. He says he will likely visit other cities in Georgia, but that his Southern trip will not be beyond Alabama.

DEPUTY MARSHAL KILLED.

Four Men Are Under Arrest Charged with the Crime.

Ardmore, I. T., September 26.—Deputy Marshal Poe, whose home is at Mill Creek, was shot and instantly killed last night at 9 o'clock on the Frisco excursion train returning from the fair at Denison, Texas, at a point between Ravia and Madill. Four men are under arrest at Mill Creek charged with the crime. They were brought to Ardmore and given an examining trial. The four suspects were drunk and were under arrest for fighting when the killing occurred. Poe was shot once, the ball entering the left side and emerging on the right hip. He will be buried at Mill Creek tomorrow.

MANY CLAIMANTS TO ESTATE.

Eight Hundred and Seventy Cousins Ask for Shares of $10,000.

Utica, N. Y., September 26.—A remarkable case is on trial at a special term of the supreme court in Herkimer Menzener. Shaul died and left $10,000 to be divided among those related to him as third cousins. At least 870 persons from all parts of the country are asking for shares in the estate. They are represented by forty-three attorneys. The cousins are divided into four classes. In his will, Shaul wrote that by third cousins he meant the children of persons related to him as cousins. The court has been called upon to decide which of the four classes is entitled to a share in the legacy.

OPPOSED TO LIMITATION.

Mr. Bryan Says the Restriction of Free Speech Would Not Suppress Anarchy.

Lincoln, Neb., September 26.—William J. Bryan is opposed to any limitation upon the freedom of speech, which has been suggested as a cure for anarchy.

Mr. Bryan believes the evils of restriction are greater than the evils of freedom and further declares the death of President McKinley can not be traced to anything said or written against him. The warfare, he says, must be against anarchy, not against freedom of speech. Anarchy, he insists, is a European product and thrives most where there is the least freedom of speech and of the press.

George Bradshaw Released.

Guthrie, O. T., September 26.—George Bradshaw, the alleged anarchist, who refused to march under the American flag at Oklahoma City and came near being lynched, was released from the Guthrie jail last night on an order of the probate judge of Oklahoma county. The release was not made known until today to give Bradshaw plenty of time to leave the vicinity.

Hughes Case with the Jury.

Denton, Texas, September 26.—The Nathan Hughes murder case went to the jury tonight after a trial continuing through four days.

"GARLAND" STOVES AND RANGES
Awarded first prize, Paris Exposition, 1900.

PREPARING FOR CONGRESS

UNITED STATES DELEGATES HELD A CONFERENCE.

Those Who Are to Attend the Convention of American Republics at Mexico City Assembling at Washington.

Washington, September 26.—Messrs. Barrett and Pepper, delegates on the part of the United States to the approaching congress of American republics, have been in conference with Acting Secretary Hill of the department of state, and today arrangements were completed for the departure of the delegation on October 12 next for the City of Mexico. A call has been issued for a formal meeting of the delegates in Washington on October 4, when organization will be effected and delegates will be introduced to President Roosevelt and receive their instructions.

Several of the diplomatic representatives in Washington and the Central and South American republics have been appointed delegates to represent their governments in the congress and others are on the way to Washington, which will thus become a rendezvous.

The Chilean delegates arrived in New York yesterday and the Peruvians are expected Monday next.

In view of the number of delegates who are going to Mexico from this capital, in addition to the representation from the United States, it has been decided to convey all on a special train, which will stop en route to Mexico at St. Louis, where all of the delegates have been invited to become the guests of the directors of the Louisiana Purchase exposition.

Nicaragua's Delegates.

Managua, Nicaragua, September 26.—President Zelaya has appointed as Nicaragua's representatives to the Pan-American meeting to be held in Mexico City, Luis F. Corea, the Nicaraguan minister in Washington, and Alexandre Bermudez, the Nicaraguan commissioner at the Buffalo exposition.

SHORT NEWS STORIES.

WASHINGTON.—Major Corbin, adjutant general of the army, has returned from the Philippines. He is greatly pleased with the conditions obtaining in the archipelago.

ROCHESTER, N. Y.—Some persons are of the opinion that a genuine Correggio painting has been discovered here. This picture is larger and said to be as valuable as the famous Gainesborough Duchess, of which so much was said a few months ago.

NORWICH, N. Y.—Henry W. Wood of Norwich shot his former housekeeper, Mrs. Elizabeth Greenleaf and then committed suicide.

NEW YORK.—The United States supply ship Culgoa has just arrived from Manila after a voyage of sixty-one days, a remarkably quick trip.

HANOVER, N. H.—Dartmouth college, the college of Daniel Webster, is observing the city democracy.

BOONEVILLE, Ind.—Smith Jones, 13 years old, has been sentenced to prison for life or a jury in the Warwick circuit court for killing a companion.

LIMA, Ohio.—Frank Hague, better known as Zone, an aeronaut, landed in the city water works reservoir and was drowned.

WASHINGTON.—John G. Nicolay, private secretary to President Lincoln, and widely known as the author of several works on the life of the great war president, is dead.

ARDMORE, I. T.—Amos Colbert, a wider known Chickasaw Indian, died at his home near Lebanon.

TRENTON, N. J.—Franklin Murphy was nominated for governor by the republican State convention.

PORTLAND, Me.—Mrs. Peary, wife of Lieutenant Peary, who has returned to South Portland, has promptly denied the report that Dr. Deidrick was poisoned.

NEW YORK.—The World's London correspondent says that the schedules filed by the bankruptcy court on the duke of Manchester's debts have been paid. The $35,000 necessary was provided, not by the duke's father-in-law, Eugene Zimmerman, but by the duke's mother.

BOSTON.—Hon. Samuel Lincoln was reelected president of Harvard college and C. F. Adams was elected secretary, succeeding Dr. Alex McKenzie, who had served since 1875.

NEW YORK.—Disappointment reigns in Chinatown because of the announcement that Prince Chun, brother of the Chinese emperor, will not come to the United States.

FOREIGN BRIEFS.

BERLIN.—Count Von Bulow, the imperial chancellor, has accepted honorary membership in the Bremen Singing society.

BERLIN.—The pig iron stock at furnaces in Westphalia, Lorraine, Luxembourg and the Rhineland are estimated at 750,000 tons.

BERLIN.—Matriculation will occur at the University of Berlin this year from October 11 to November 5.

BERLIN.—Frau Agnes Wagner, actress, is dead. She was 71 years old.

RIO DE JANEIRO.—Okoshi Narinori, Japanese minister to Brazil, is discussing with the Brazilian minister of foreign affairs, Dr. Olintho de Magalhes, practical methods of propagating coffee in Japan.

BERLIN.—The Prussian school inspectors are paying particular attention to the prevention of tuberculosis.

LONDON.—A dispatch from Brussels to the Times says the unrest in the Belgian labor market continues to be manifested among the Charleroi glass makers and the Liege miners.

BERLIN.—The youngest daughter of Count Von Ballestrem, president of the reichstag, is betrothed to Lieutenant Von Heereman of the Dragon Guards, who is a nephew of Baron Von Heereman, vice president of the lower house of the Prussian diet.

PARIS.—The miners in the department of Pas de Calais are again agitating the question of a general strike.

MANAGUA, Nicaragua.—Dr. Frances A. Reyes, the Salvadorean minister of foreign affairs, has left for Mexico to attend the forthcoming Pan-American congress.

BUENOS AYRES.—President Roca has signed a decree declaring that the port of Rio Janeiro is infected with the plague.

ST. JOHNS, N. F.—The failure of the large fish firm of C. S. W. Tessier is announced. The principal creditor is the bank of Montreal.

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador.—A fire destroyed eleven blocks in the south end of the city. The loss probably will amount to a little less than a million dollars.

LONDON.—The arrival of the king and queen of England in London from the continent was accompanied by ceremonies and precautions hitherto unknown here and which emphasize the fact that King Edward intends to surround his position with all the pomp possible.

NEW YORK.—A dispatch to the Herald from London says: It is reported on most excellent authority that all the details in connection with the creation of the duke of Cornwall and York as prince of Wales are completed.

LONDON.—The Berlin correspondent of the Times says that Prince Chuan will officially conclude his mission to Germany next Saturday and will go to Genoa