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SOMETIMES THIS IS IT.

THE POTATO KNIFE MAY SHARE THE DISTINCTION



THIS STAGHORN VETERAN HAS SEEN 40 YEARS SERVICE.

THE ORDINARY WOODEN HANDLE BUTCHER KNIFE IS ABOUT AS POPULAR AS ANY.

KITCHEN SHARP KNIFE MOST VALUABLE KNIFE IN HOUSE

With All Such Knives Made Into One Big One, Panama Canal Could Be Dug in Jiffy—Crock Stovepipe, Brick or Steel Housewife's Favorite for Sharpening Purposes.

THE BEST CAT CALL IN THE WORLD

"FROM time immemorial," said Statistical Sam at the last meeting of the kitchen cabinet, "it has been the custom in all well-regulated families to maintain a kitchen sharp knife. Most families maintain two, big and little.

"How do I arrive at such conclusion? That's easy to explain. I asked the man at the works to bring down their kitchen sharp knives on a common day. Enough were brought to show that the average knife runs ten to the pound and has been in service five years.

"Not every knife, however, makes a dozen kitchen sharp knives. Out of a dozen knives taken from the same box, perhaps but one may be found which will take and keep a good cutting edge. When that knife is discovered it becomes the most valuable knife in the house, whether it cost nine cents or nine dollars. Even the old iron handle knife sharpened on the brick wall outside the kitchen door, may cut as well, and, for the length of time it lasts, prove as valuable a household asset as the staghorn handle veteran brought from Germany more than forty years ago and still in use.

"The average price of the kitchen sharp knife when new is thirty cents. That may seem rather high estimate, but is not. For, when one plebeian blade arises above its fellows to make good, it is quite apt to find itself in a goodly assemblage of old, true and tried aristocrats.

"The Chinese have a proverb: 'Old knife must be good knife. If not good knife, must be throw away long time ago.'—And so it would seem.

"Nine million dollars is what the kitchen sharp knives of the United States originally cost. In their worn state no one may estimate their value. You ask the average possessor of such a knife to place a price upon it, and the average reply will be: 'No, sir! You can buy all the rest, but not that!'

en sharp knives and the total value of family knives in the United States is \$54,000,000.

IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS

As far as Ascot Park is concerned, John J. Ryan has been warned off the turf. In explanation of the occurrence it is stated that Ryan bet markers on a horse, which was afterwards disqualified. As Ryan refused to pay the bet he was ruled off.

do well to stick to his task of elevating the stage. Frank Madden, who is one of the hardest hitting featherweights, is training hard for his fight with Johnnie Allen, which is scheduled for twenty rounds. Madden has defeated twelve of the best featherweights and lightweights.

Commodore Vanderbilt of the New York Yacht Club has placed an order with Nat Herreshoff for a new sloop, in the 57-foot one-design class, and will race her during the coming season against the new one-design boats, in the class now building for Geo. P. Penchen and Harry F. Lippitt. It is possible that a fourth order in the class will be placed within the next fortnight, though its source is not divulged. No details will be announced as to the construction or dimensions of the new boats until next March when it will be too late to build in the class. It is understood that the boats are slightly smaller than the Effort, and they are known to be strictly racing yachts as far as permitted by the new measurement rules.

The most valuable stake in this country is for two-year-olds. In England there are \$50,000 stakes for three-year-olds and upward, and fourable stake is the Grand Prix, for three-year-olds, which will in the course of two years be a \$30,000 stake.

Columbia has accepted the challenge of Harvard varsity crew to a rowing race on the Charles river on May 11. The details of the race are not as yet completed, but the entire body of under graduates at Columbia is enthusiastic over the prospect of meeting the Cambridge men on the water. It is understood that the race will be two mile one.

Louis Morig, the Mohawk athlete who is coaching the gymnasium team of the Annapolis middies, is reported to be having fine success. The sailors will be represented in all the gymnastic meets during the winter.

Should Peter Wemmer be selected as the trainer for W. Harry Browne's stable next year, Russell will probably do the bulk of the riding as the boy is under contract to him.

All arrangements have been made for the meeting of Joe Gans and "Philadelphia" Jack O'Brien, in Nevada on July 4, for the biggest purse ever offered in this country.

The Boston Athletic Association has been awarded the 1907 A. A. U. boxing championship, despite the opposition of several other cities after much dickering and strenuous work on the part of the committees representing other athletic centers.

The announcement that Fitz and Burns were to have a six round bout in Philadelphia was quickly followed by a denial, and this was satisfactory to all concerned as there is no craving to see the freckled gladiator in the ring again. The points have been enough of Ruby Roberts and he would

It is announced that Hackenschmidt and Golch will meet in a bout for the wrestling championship and a \$10,000 purse at St. Louis in a short time. If they do meet it should effectively settle the question of grappling supremacy. Hackenschmidt will be a hot favorite.

To settle an old dispute, the Paterson, N. J., and the Gloversville, N. Y., baseball teams are about to play a match for \$1,000 a side.

COLLECTORS OF STAMPS ARE NOW SCIENTISTS

So Designated by King Edward in a Royal Proclamation.

RECOGNITION IS EXTREMELY GRATIFYING TO COLLECTORS IN ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD—AMERICAN MEMBERS OF ROYAL PHILATELIC SOCIETY.

London, Feb. 2.—By royal proclamation recently issued King Edward has definitely established the status of stamp collectors as scientists and of stamp collecting as a science.

Girls Buy an Ambulance. New York, Feb. 2.—Seventy-five pretty girls, ranging in age from twelve to sixteen years and constituting the Young Ladies' Society for the Aid of Convalescents, of Beth Israel Hospital, to-day presented an ambulance and team of fine horses to the hospital. In making the presentation they pledged themselves to maintain the ambulance service free of cost to the hospital.

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