THE FIELD OF SPORT.

Joe Acton Accepts McLeod's Challenge to Wrestle.

Madden Tries to Badger Sullivan Into a Match With McAuliffe — Fast Sprinters Coming—The Wheelmen.

IN fistic circles quite a little stir has been raised over the telegraphic reports of a proposed meeting between Sullivan and Joe McAuliffe, which have greatly annoyed the Directors of the California Club. This month will terminate with contests to a finish at the California, Golden Gate and Occidental Athletic clubs.

According to the critics on athletic sports, there will be some record-breaking at the championship meeting this year. There certainly should be some surprises, especially in the running events, as the sprinters and long distance runners who will participate have been training faithfully for months.

The usual dull and dreary outlook hangs over the boating houses, and it is suggested that a special meeting be held to wake up an interest.

The anglers are tired of stream-fishing, as there is no fair to be caught worth having. Rod-wielders now enjoy themselves on the Spring Valley lakes.

ATHLETIC.

Acton's Sweeping Answer to McLeod's Challenge.

There was quite a large attendance at the Berkeley University games, which is evidence that athletic sports are steadily gaining in popularity. Some good racing was done, an account appearing elsewhere. The next meeting of importance will be the opening of the new Olympic Club grounds on the 30th inst. On that day the Governor of the State will be present, and will deliver the inaugural address. The athletic officials who have charge of the games programme have engaged a band of music of thirty-five pieces, and splendid accommodations to seat 5000 people are also provided. The athletes who will try for honors on the cinders and on the turf in the jumping events are all in tip-top condition, and the struggle among the representatives of the athletic organizations will be well worth going many miles to see. The sports will begin early in the day, as the programme is an exceptionally long one.

If Little has ever competed in a professional race he certainly should not keep the club he represents in hot water. He had better hand in his resignation at once.

Coffin and Jarvis will have a close finish for the mile walk, but who is the phenomenal sprinter the Garden City Club professes to have? It is said that he can burn up cinders when under full steam.

The members of the Alameda Olympic Club will hold a cross-country run to-day on Lincoln avenue.

Frank Sheerin and Jack Egan will have a foot-race of 100 yards at the Bay District track to-day at 1 o'clock. They are both well known in the business portion of the town, and will no doubt draw a large crowd. Fifty dollars is up on the result.

The next Sheffield handicap, under the auspices of the California Foot-racing Association, will be held on June 8th. Three speedy boys from the East, who have not as yet been seen on the Pacific Coast, will start in the next race. Among the new arrivals expected this coming week is James Collins, the latest American to carry away the first money at the Sheffield handicap run in Sheffield, England, in the presence of 30,000 people.

Samuels, the famous Australian sprinter, was expected on the steamer from Australia, but word came that he was matched to run against a celebrated sprinter for a large consideration and would not leave the Colonies until the race was terminated. Cluders are being put down and the association expects to have a fast track for its next handicap.

The following letter from Joe Acton, the wrestler, is self-explanatory:

Sporting Editor Morning Call:—DEAR SIR: Not being a wordy member, I hope to be excused from making this communication any length. I trust you will publish this as my answer to Mr. McLeod's very "chuffy" challenge. There is no money in it for me wrestling this gentleman in public, and I guess he thinks his reputation will not warrant any club putting up a purse for him and myself. Let me say right here that I will wrestle McLeod for a stake or for a purse in any club in this city; and to show my bona fides will attend at California Athletic Club's rooms on Monday evening next at 9 o'clock, ready to put up a deposit of $200 to bind a match for $1000 a side. Yours, etc., JOSEPH ACTON.

THE RING.

False Reports Regarding Sullivan and McAuliffe.

The telegraphic reports which have come from Boston and New York that arrangements are pending between the managers of Sullivan and McAuliffe, with a view of a fistic meeting between the big fellows, is scouted by the Directors of the California Club, who look upon it as a clever bit of advertising by Madden, who is handling McAuliffe. Mr. Fulda, President of the California Club, said: "I cannot attach any blame to Madden and company for advertising the combination, but I am really surprised to think that there are sporting men in this city who take stock in such foolish rumors. Sullivan has made no proposition to McAuliffe and will fight Jackson next September in the California Club."

It is rather strange that McAuliffe has refused to fight Kilrain for a $3000-purse. Some weeks before the club made the offer Joe seemed to be very anxious to meet Kilrain, Sullivan or Jackson for anything. He now demands $5000 to enter the ring with the Baltimorean.

It is evident, however, that McAuliffe has no say in the matter of arranging fights and that he is altogether led by cunning Billy Madden, who will "work" the Eastern sports for all he can until the combination schemes fall to draw any longer.

The Golden Gate Athletic Club has telegraphed Kilrain and McAuliffe an offer to fight in this city; and if Sullivan has changed his mind as regards meeting a colored pugilist, the club will offer an inducement to the 100-ton gunners—Joe and Jack.

KELLIHER AS A TRAINER.

Denny Kelliher is one of the most conscientious trainers in America. While training at Alameda for his fight with Turner he did not even once visit this city, and since he signed with Ellingsworth he has been paying strict attention to business, which will, in all probability, bring him success.

Ellingsworth has been wearing out shoe-leather at San Bruno ever since he took his hasty departure from Professor Farley's stronghold. His friends say that he is in good condition and will give Kelliher a hard fight. To make a good fight he will have to turn his back on the essence of sour grapes.

Billy Mahan has refused to divulge the names of the sports who offered him money to throw his fight with Shannon at the Occidental Club. Strange, but it is said, nevertheless, that the club is again contemplating matching him against a local pugilist.

The Occidental Club should insist that Mahan give the name of the man who attempted to cast a bad odor on the club's management by offering to purchase a fight. Mahan's refusal should be enough to have him blacklisted in the club as an exhibitor.

Joe Choynski is in fine fettle for his match with Davis on the evening of the 26th. The latter has been training at Alameda, and reports from over the water are that the Omaha lad is looking grand and will surprise his opponent in more ways that one.

LONG WALKS AND RUNS.

Fitzsimmons is at Barney Farley's, and is being looked after by Martin Murphy, who is undoubtedly a first-class man to handle pugilists or athletes. The New Zealander has been taking long walks and runs ever since he began his exercise.

He has not desired to reduce his avoirdupois, as he is hard as flint. He will meet McCarthy on the evening of the 29th, and if he turns out to be half as good a man as his Australian friends rate him as being, Billy will be kept on the move while the battle is in progress.

Gallagher expects to reach his home in the early part of June, and when he thoroughly recovers from his sickness he will be given another chance by the California Club of meeting some of the middle-weight fighters.

On the night of June 3d the bantam pugilists, Fred Bogan and Danny Mahoney, will fight to a finish at the Golden Gate Club, and during the following month Danny Mahoney—provided he will not find an excuse to back out—will meet Charley Rochette. The club will give the victorious bantam a handsome belt representing the championship of the Coast.

The Occidental Club may match Gibbons and Cushing. Pugilists of their caliber should make an interesting exhibition.

ROCHETTE AND MULLER.

At a meeting of the Boxing Committee of the Golden Gate Athletic Club C. Rochette and Gus Muller were matched for a ten rounds prior to the Ellingsworth and Kelliher fight on Friday next. Rochette is well known, having been the winner in several ten-round set-tos. Muller appeared in the tournament given by the California Club and won first prize in the bantam class. Both have been eager to get at each other for some time, so that an interesting ten rounds may be looked forward to by the members.

Tom Wall has notified Ted Pritchard that he must not go to the United States to fight Jack Dempsey as the English champion until he has defeated him, and that if the Pelican Club will put up a purse of £500 he will serve Pritchard the same as he did Chesterfield Goode.

Wiley Evans and George Mulholland are likely to be matched by the San Jose Athletic Association for the end of this month. Mulholland should be in splendid condition now. He has been training faithfully for several weeks and is being well looked after by Sheriff Laumeister, who reports him as being in excellent fix.

Charley Mitchell and Frank Slavin are wrangling over conditions for a match for £1000. Slavin wants to make a match to a finish. Mitchell desires ten or twelve rounds for £500 or £1000.

The sports of Denver are betting even money that Smith will not be defeated by the colored champion.

Smith of Denver and Peter Jackson will fight six rounds to-morrow evening in Chicago.

M'CAFFREY'S EXPLANATION.

J. B. McCormick, "Macon," who is in this city, has received a long letter from Dominick McCaffrey fully explaining his defeat by Jim Corbett, from his standpoint. He says:

Well, John, my object in writing to you is to tell you of my set-to with Corbett, and to let you know of my intentions. In the first place, I have no excuse to offer. I was fairly bested by a man who is four and a half or five inches taller, thirty pounds heavier and much longer in the reach. I never made any "kick" about being in no condition, as most papers had it, but I did object to Steve O'Donnell giving a decision, as he had no authority to do so. He was simply an M. C. There was no referee or time-keepers.

Now about the sparring. Corbett is no better boxer than I am, but he is about as quick; and his weight and reach discounting mine, is where he had the advantage. His "reach" is extremely great. I never knew it to be such a great "factor" in boxing. I will cite you some cases where "reach" was of great advantage, viz.:

Ed Smith of Denver and the Marine, Ed Smith of Denver and Mike Cleary; Johnny Dwyer, knocked out by Ned O'Baldwin in three rounds; Austin Gibbons and Mike Cushing, Charlie Mitchell and Billy Edwards, Peter Jackson and George Godfrey, Peter Jackson and Patsy Cardiff, Peter Jackson and Jim Smith of England; and as clever as Mace and Coburn were, they could not put a glove on O'Baldwin's face.

THREE ON THE LONG REACH.

I claim that two boxers equally clever and all other points equal, and one longer in reach than the other, that it is 3 to 1 on the "long-reach fellow." Corbett actually put his glove over my mouth and eyes, held it there and struck me with his right hand, so what chance had I? So John L. had better look out for "Peter the Great."

The papers were rather severe. Some of them stated I hollowed enough. John, if I were to die on the stage, I would not say that. I don't know why some people take pleasure in lying about me. It is amusing to me to see some of the Eastern papers in order to "boost" Corbett tell of what great things I have done in the ring—people who never acknowledged a good point about me before.

That night I was more tired than ever before in a set-to. To commence with, Corbett kept me busy all the time, and my condition would not allow that (before I go any further I don't want you to think that I am making an excuse, simply stating facts). He kept me on the ropes or in the corners all the time and gave me no chance to use my legs, and I acknowledge that I was awful tired. Now the papers stated that I was powerless and that Corbett refrained from knocking me out, that is ridiculous. I ducked at least a dozen blows. If any one of them had caught me, I would have been done—while I acknowledge that I was "bested," I am positive he tried to put it "there."

FIGHTING DAYS OVER.

Well, to conclude this letter, I am afraid my fighting days are over. About eighteen months ago, while training for Jack Fallon, I had to stop training through a pain in my groin. I thought nothing of it much, but about three months ago I was compelled to go and see a doctor, who advised me to get a truss at once. I tried to run and get in some kind of shape for Corbett, but could not run, where I used to run five to ten miles with impunity.

I had to stop at a mile or mile and a half, so when a man is ruptured, in my opinion, he cannot fight because he cannot train. I, no doubt, could do better if I were in better shape, but a short man cannot reach a long man. I see now, plainly, that a man should not give five pounds away. You know that my weight, in shape, is 160 to 165, so I think I have done well for that weight. Let any 160-pound man go against Sullivan and see where he will be. By the way, John, Corbett bled my nose slightly. The first time it was ever done. I did not have a scratch outside of that.

He is the only man that could ever hit me a good blow from a scientific standpoint. Well, I guess you are tired reading this, and I will close by hoping you are well, etc. Yours respectfully,

DOMINICK F. MCCAFFREY.

P. S.—I thought it best to write you and give you the true account of it, unbiased. I saw Joe McAuliffe in New York. He weighs, I believe, 255 pounds. They grow them "big" in California. I am going out of the business soon as possible. D. McC.

THE WHEEL.

Postponement of the League Century Run Until June.

Last night a party of four, consisting of Captain F. J. H. Manning of the San Francisco Bicycle Club, W. G. Lowry, W. H. Nassau and Dr. A. W. McKenzie, left this city for Napa. To-day they start on a tour through the country that has been contemplated for some time and been mentioned once or twice in these columns. Captain Manning, the leader of the party, had intended starting from Petaluma and going up through Cloverdale and Ukiah, returning through Napa County. As the itinerary is now, however, Napa and St. Helena will be visited first and the return made through Mendocino. The first day's journey will end at Calistoga. On Monday the run will be made to Middleton and Glenbrook, and Lakeport will be visited, besides Soda Bay, Highland Spring, Blue Lake and other resorts.

The league century run has been postponed until June 1st, as many riders who expected to go on the run were prevented by the rain last Sunday from taking a preparatory spin in order to get in shape. The postponement is for the purpose of allowing them to get in good trim.

Chief Consul Thompson says that the run is eagerly looked forward to and that at least 100 men will finish the ride, besides a number who are expected to start and drop out at San Jose. Mr. Thompson says that about thirty new men have joined the league since the announcement of the run was made.

It is now settled that San Jose will have a very fast quarter-mile track for the bicycle races on the 4th. It will be built on St. Julian street, not far from the central portions of the town.

Adams rode to Hollister and back during the week, and pronounces the roads to be in splendid shape.

Chief Consul Thompson is actively engaged in the compilation of the road book, which he hopes to have completed in two weeks.

A great many men have been taking advantage of the clear mornings to ride in the park. Among those most often there are Manning, Holyroyd, Dr. Sloat, Field, Wetmore, Allen, Ledbetter, W. E. Thompson, and a whole host of new riders, who, on account of their not yet having joined clubs, are unknown to older wheelmen.

The American Bicycle Club now numbers six members, and is a very lively young organization.

The Stockton men are doing good missionary work for the League of American Wheelmen, having nine new members from that place.

There are nearly 500,000 bicyclists in England, but there has never been a cyclists' clubhouse of any pretensions erected in London.

Frank E. Weaver, the well-known Eastern bicyclist, left New Haven, Conn., on April 21st, to ride across the continent on his wheel. He is not quite 20 years of age, but is one of the most expert bicycle-riders of the New Haven Club of over a hundred members.

The Los Angeles Club has reorganized as a league club.

Brewer, the popular little member of the Bay City Club, won the feather-weight wrestling championship of the Olympic Club last Tuesday night.

ANGLING.

Disgusted Stream Fishermen — Lake Angling.

Local anglers, who in former years enjoyed many good days' sport whipping the country streams, are now turning their attention to lake fishing, which is said to be first class this year. The water company's office has been visited by the lovers of trout and bass fishing this month, who looked for permits to fish on the lakes open to the public. Stream fishing is a sport of the past and will be of very little interest until the rivers are stocked by fish from the State hatcheries.

There are a few small streams in the vicinity of Uklah, within easy reach of a popular springs, which are now being stocked by a syndicate of sportsmen for private purposes. It is hoped that fish from the State hatcheries will not find their way into the preserved streams, while the rivers visited by the people of the State for angling purposes are left barren of trout.

Complaints have been made of anglers of this city who have fished the Sonoma and Papermill creeks in the winter season with rod and line for the pleasures of salmon-catching. The salmon, which is called by some supposed experts "salmon-trout," run from the ocean during the winter season into the rivers for spawning purposes. When the season for fishing with rod and line opens they have left the fresh water for their natural element—the ocean—and consequently the angler is cut off from the sport of hooking, playing and landing the gamest of fresh-water fishes.

In the upper part of Sonoma Creek the salmon have been netted by the people engaged in hatching fish for the purpose of stocking streams. It is said that the young fish—fry—are returned to the Sonoma or Glen Ellen Creek, but singulaa to state the stream appears to be growing yearly poorer as a resort for the angler, and now the question is asked, "What has become of the fry, which were supposed to have been taken from the hatchery and placed in the creek?"

The idea of catching and stripping salmon during the winter months of their ova for supposed propagation purposes seems to be not properly understood by anglers who believe that the natural process is far ahead of any artificial device for the stocking of streams which the parent fish visit.

The hatcheries on the glens adjacent to San Francisco are excellent for receiving the spawn of fishes shipped from the State fish hatcheries for the stocking of coast streams; but the idea of catching anadromous fishes which visit the Sonoma Creek for the purpose of spawning in that creek and populating it with young fishes seems to be decid-dly strange. In the fish law there is a provision to prevent the destruction of fish in Napa and Sonoma creeks which reads:

"It shall not be lawful for any person to use nets, traps, weirs, poisons or seines of any description for the purpose of catching fish in the waters of Napa River, Sonoma Creek, in Sonoma County, or the waters of any of the tributaries thereof; provided, that nothing in this act shall be so construed as to prohibit the use of seines, nets, traps or weirs in the waters of Napa River below the mouth of Suscol Creek and within the boundaries of Napa County.

It is certainly not proper for anglers to fish at any time during the close season, and measures will be taken at the meeting of the next Legislature to provide against the catching of fish at any time during the close season, by either rod, weir or net.

AQUATIC.

Peterson Will Row in the Victoria Single-Scull Race.

A prominent member of the South End Club, who has probably taken part in more sweepstake and match races than any other member of a rowing club, was seen the other evening and said among other things: "Rowing has been degenerating for some years and instead of enjoying a boom it is still on the decline and unless something is done very soon the sport will fade away entirely. It is about time the Rowing Association stepped forward and did something toward reviving the almost extinct aquatic sport. I would suggest that a meeting of oarsmen be called for the purpose of a general debate and let the meeting be an open one."

Among all the rowing clubs affairs still remain quiet. The Rowing Association will, at the next meeting, make some proposition to hold a regatta on the Fourth of July.

Henry Peterson will leave for Victoria, B. C. in a few days to take part in the single-scull race on the Queen's birthday. The best single sculler in British Columbia have entered, including Cotsford and Paine.

A race in barges will soon take place between P. J. O'Neill, P. C. Duffley, M. J. Ballard and John Ellis, against W. Hanaraban, Robert and W. C. Espy and T. McEneary. Both crews are members of the Pioneer Club. The race will be over the Long Bridge two-mile course for the light-weight championship of the club, with a suitable trophy yet to be agreed upon.

Twenty-four new lockers with wire-screen fronts have been added to the dressing-room of the Pioneers for the accommodation of the new members. The club will vote on the adoption of a new constitution at the next meeting, on the first Sunday in June.

M. Stokes, the herculean sculler of the Pioneers, has his eye on a prominent member of the Columbias with whom he would like to make a race.

The South Ends have not yet made arrangements for their annual picnic.

Hanlan, who starts in to prepare for his three sprint races with Fred Plaisted right away, in talking with "Pringle" of the Pittsburg Dispatch, said that McLean, the Australian, is 6 feet high and measures 44 inches around the chest, and is one of the most powerful scullers that ever sat in a boat.

"I feel sure," said Mr. Hanlan, "that he can defeat any sculler in Australia, and were he and O'Connor to row five miles to-morrow I would put up every dollar I had on McLean. I have seen him row a mile in 5 minutes and 50 seconds. That is speedy enough for anything, and he can certainly outstrip O'Connor. His method of rowing is not altogether attractive, but that is because of his legs. He begins his stroke prettily and finishes it in an accomplished way, but in pulling it through the movement of his long legs gives one the idea that he is far from a finished sculler. However, his stroke is all right, and he imparts immense power into it. If O'Connor defeats him he will row the hardest race of his life, because a more determined man never sat in a boat than McLean."

Hanlan's opinion, says Pringle, gives us a definite tip as to who he thinks will win between Kemp and McLean. They row on the 15th inst., and if his estimate of McLean is anything like correct, Peter Kemp's fate is doomed. Certainly Kemp is a good rower, but he is not of the class that Hanlan speaks of when estimating McLean. The latter, Hanlan says, is better than Beach was, and certainly on public form Kemp was far short of Beach. If Stansbury defeats O'Connor, and if McLean is all that Hanlan says he is, then the sooner O'Connor returns home the better.

But the ex-champion has not an excellent opinion of O'Connor. Hanlan does not think that his countryman is correctly built about the chest to make a world-beater. However this may be, none of us can gainsay the fact that O'Connor is a good sculler. It is probably too much to say that he is the best, because judging him on his form against Searle on the Thames, he is not the best by any means. But I have an idea that he is a better sculler than Hanlan would have us believe, and if he is beaten in Australia I don't think there'll be a rosy chance for any other American or Canadian to turn the tables on his victor.

Ex-Champion Hanlan also expressed the notion that professional sculling in England was doomed never to rise again. Hosmer held a contrary opinion, claiming that out of the large number of scullers there a champion is sure to blossom forth in time. Hanlan, however, agreed that the young Brittisues, for some reason or other, do not learn the modern art of rowing; they don't master the correct style of propelling a boat, and as a result much of their strength is wasted. However much I would like to see England regain its position in sculling, I fear there is much truth in Hanlan's contention.

But it is going too far to say that sculling in England will never reach a higher standard than now. I think it will, and just as sure as rowing is specdier to-day than it was when Hanlan, Alexander-like, was crying for more worlds to conquer. It is only a short time ago since we all laughed at the sculling pretensions of Australia. To-day there are scullers there that are Hanlan's superiors. But if sculling is declining in England never to rise, what about the United States? We have our stock-in-trade scullers to-day that we had years and years ago. Their faces are almost as familiar as sunlight; it is the same old lot year after year, without any signs of promising talent.

THE GUN.

First Shoot for the Live-Bird Challenge Medal.

The first match for the "live-bird challenge medal of 1890" was shot off yesterday at the Oakland Race Track. Shooting commenced at 10 o'clock, and though the hour was rather early for a full attendance of sportsmen, outside of those directly interested, the number of those present gradually increased as the day wore on.

The medal given is open for competition to all residents of the Pacific Coast, and is emblematic of the sport indigenous to the Golden State—shooting live birds. Each time a competitor wins the medal he will be set back one yard in the next match in which he may again compete for it.

The entrance fee for each match is $20, with cost of birds and trapping extra. If the number of entries in any match are such as to require it the squad shooting system can be used, or the number of birds reduced. In the first match the $580 medal constituted the first prize, 30 per cent of the entrance fee made up the second and 20 per cent the third prize.

The conditions under which the medal is offered state that the competitor winning the first match shall hold the medal, subject to challenge against all comers, one week's time being given him, upon being challenged, to name the time for the next match, which has to take place within one month from the date of challenge, failing which the donors will name the time and place for the next match themselves.

All matches, after the first one will be open to all comers, with an entrance fee of $20, the total amount of which is to be divided as follows: First prize, medal (provision being made for 40 per cent of entrance fees to be given to holder of the medal on surrendering it to the judges at each match); second prize, 30 per cent; third prize, 20 per cent, and fourth prize, 10 per cent of entrance fees. In the final match the medal will constitute the first prize; the second prize will be 40 per cent, the third 30 per cent, the fourth 20 per cent and the fifth prize 10 per cent of the entrance fees, the final winner of the medal to claim the championship of the Pacific Coast for 1890, at live birds.

It, as has been stated, yesterday's attendance was slightly slim in the early morning, the afternoon saw a growing crowds of fancy shots, who are taking a great interest in the contest. The birds flew strong, and the shooting throughout was well up to the mark, C. B. Smith coming out ahead with a score of 37 as winner of the first match. It now remains with him, if challenged, to fix the date for the next match.

In the afternoon Captain Brewer, the champion trap-shot of the world, paid his first visit to the gun grounds. "As yet," he said, in answer to inquiries, "nothing has been signed, sealed or delivered in the matter of matches here, but there or four are on the cards that are likely to prove somewhat exciting. Anyway, I mean to stay right here for a while yet in the hopes of making some matches."

After the medal match had been shot off $5 pool-shooting was indulged in, H. H. Haas and Randall dividing the first, R. A. Eddy winning the second, with C. B. Smith next, C. H. Haas again winning the third.

The following is the official score of the medal match:

C. J. Haas	1 2 2 1 2 2 2 2 1 1 2 2 1 0 1 1 1 2 0 1
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C. B. Smith	2 2 2 1 2 0 2 2 0 2 1 1 2 2 1 2 1 1 1 1 2
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Randall	2 1 1 2 0 1 1 1 0 2 1 2 0 1 1 2 1 0 1
	1 2 0 0 2 1 2 2 1 1 0 2 1 0 2 1 1 1 1—32
R. A. Eddy	0 0 1 1 1 1 1 2 2 1 0 2 1 1 1 1 2 1 1
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CRICKET.

Players Anxious to Play and Practice at the Presidio.

The local cricket organizations are very anxious to learn the decision of the authorities at the Presidio as to whether they will be allowed to play their matches and do their practicing on the Government reservation grounds, which are the only ones near the city fit to play on. If the hopes for permission is not granted it will doubtless seriously impair the interest taken now by so many gentlemen in one of the most healthy pastimes of the day.

Speaking of the prospects of Murdock's team in England this year, "Point," in the Melbourne Leader, remarks:

I have often remarked, and I repeat, that I believe it is were possible to play a series of matches between the strongest possible teams of England and Australia, that the Englishmen would win a majority. They bat too well, and never see the use of running each other out as our fellows do. The best team that ever left Australia was that of 1882, the next strongest that of 1884, and the next (and hardly behind the latter) Conway's first team in 1878. The present team is not better on paper than any of those, but it is stronger than any of the other three, and I am thoroughly confident that the record will be a satisfactory one, and that our boys will return at the close of the year with honors well and worthily won, to receive the congratulations of their friends.

Speaking of George Giffen's action in refusing to join the team, "Point" further says:

As the team now stands, I have no hesitation in saying that the more I dissect it and carefully consider its merits and demerits the more am I impressed with the probability of its success. That Giffen's spoilt-boy action has injured it cannot, of course, be denied, and the same remark, it may be remembered, exactly applied to the team of 1888, when the South Australian champion played fast and loose similarly with Charley Lead. I know all the facts, so can speak with confidence. However, Giffen may be dismissed. He has refused to go, and the team will have to do without him, as others have done. He is a wonderful cricketer, the best that Australia has ever produced, and—I say it more in sorrow than in anger—more's the pity.

THE RIFLE.

Monthly Medals Shoots Announced for To-Day.

The Germania Club will hold its medal shoot at Harbor View to-day.

The Bussars will have their preliminary practice at Shell Mound to-day.

The Turners' shooting section has donated the sum of $25 as a prize at the Berlin shooting festival.

Company B of the Third Regiment will hold a practice shoot at Shell Mound Park on Sunday next.

On Sunday next at Shell Mound Park the Franklins will compete for decorations.

The shooting section of the San Francisco Turn Verein will hold a medal shoot at Harbor View to-day.

The postponed monthly medal shoot of the California Club will take place at Harbor View to-day. In addition to the medals three prizes, presented by friends of the club, will be competed for.

It is proposed by marksmen of this city to raise the sum of $250 to be given as a prize at the great German shooting festival, which will take place in the city of Berlin in July next. For this purpose subscription lists have been started.

An Unknown Drowned Man.

The body of a drowned man was recovered from the bay, off the Mail Dock, yesterday morning. The corpse had evidently been in the water several days, as it was considerably decomposed. From appearances, the dead man was about 40 years of age, rather heavily built and wore a reddish mustache and chin whiskers. His attire consisted of a black coat and blue overalls. The remains are at the Morgue, awaiting identification.

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SAN FRANCISCO BUSINESS COLLEGE.

Its Many Occupants — Physicians. Dentists — Attorneys — Fashionable Dressmakers—Clothiers and Tailors.

One of the prominent mercantile buildings of this Coast is situated at the junction of Market, McAllister and Jones streets. It has a frontage of 159 feet 3 inches on Market street, extends 32 feet 9 inches on McAllister street and 175 feet on Jones street. This magnificent piece of architecture is five stories high, with a dome 90 feet in height, making the distance from the ground floor to the top of the pinnacle not less than 180 feet. The tower is reached by several flights of stairs and affords the visitor a splendid view of the city and bay and the surrounding country. On the other hand, the onlooker viewing the golden city of the world from a point at a higher altitude has but little difficulty in recognizing among its monuments of architecture the edifice bearing the name at the head of this writing.

A GREAT ESTABLISHMENT.

The entire main floor and basement is occupied by the old-established and popular dry-goods firm of J. J. O'Brien & Co., who here conduct one of the most extensive and successful retail businesses in the country, for their trade is not confined to their enormous city patronage but includes an immense and constantly increasing mail-order business extending throughout the Pacific Coast.

The sales-room covers the whole of the ground floor, comprising an area of 28,000 square feet without a wall or partition, making one of the grandest and most spacious sales-rooms in America. Every department is stocked to its fullest capacity with the choicest and most fashionable fabrics of the Old and New World, and they all combine in making up an establishment complete in every detail and ranking in importance with the largest dry-goods places of New York, London and Paris.

The unparalleled success of these enterprising merchants, especially during the nearly five years they have occupied their present quarters, is a fitting tribute to their perfect system of conducting business and illustrates what can be accomplished by indomitable energy when coupled with strict integrity and sound business principles.

THE BUSINESS COLLEGE.

As compared with the other commercial schools of the city there is a remarkable difference in the methods pursued at the San Francisco Business College.

Here, for the first time in the history of our city, is to be found a school conducted on the plan of a business-house; students doing the actual work of book-keepers, each desk, in fact, the office of some firm or corporation where the records of the business done are kept in a practical, thorough manner, which is an entirely new feature of instruction and which has not even been approached under any other system.

After a thorough exposition of the principles and practical working of the system had been given to the writer by its originator, Professor C. L. Ellis, it did not surprise him to find that the graduates of the college are as remarkable for their ability to succeed in the fill any and all positions open to book-keepers, as the system itself is for unique originality. It is the outgrowth of years of practical experience in the counting-room and school-room, and marks a new and much-needed departure in this branch of education.

The graduates of this institution will willingly and readily answer practical questions in regard to the transactions of business, and they have an apparent consciousness of the ability to properly dispose of any complication that might arise, which shows the result of a careful drill and complete preparation for their work.

San Francisco Business College.

The location of the college is one of the finest in the city. The rooms are commodious, elegantly furnished and carpeted throughout, well lighted and ventilated.

The department of shorthand and typewriting is very complete, and occupies as fine a room for that purpose as can be found in the country.

DR. DAYWALT'S SPECIALTY.

G. W. Daywalt, M. D., who formerly was engaged in the general practice of medicine, is now, owing to his marvelous success in the treatment of diseases of the mucous membrane, giving his entire attention to affections of the nose and throat. There is a general impression, not only among the laity but among members of the profession, that these diseases are incurable, but it is fallacious, and Dr. Daywalt has demonstrated and is prepared to prove that 90 per cent of them can be successfully and permanently cured.

The doctor has a large and lucrative practice in this special branch of the profession, and he is the only regular physician on the Coast who devotes his entire time and study to diseases of the nose and throat, which he makes a specialty.

DISEASES OF WOMEN.

Dr. F. C. Cook occupies Rooms 43 and 44. He has been in active practice in San Francisco for nineteen years, and gives special attention to diseases of women. Office hours 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 P. M.

SUCCESSFUL DENTISTS.

McFadyen & Van Doorn, the dentists, have absolutely the most superbly furnished dental-rooms in San Francisco. All the departments of operative and prosthetic dentistry are being carried on by them with the most modern appliances, and they extract teeth without pain.

Dr. McFadyen is well known throughout the State as a successful and popular dentist, having been in regular practice for upward of fifteen years, while Dr. Van Doorn, late of New York, comes with the highest of recommendations among his many friends in this city, who will be pleased to learn that he is located here permanently, and associated in the profession with so eminent a man as Dr. McFadyen.

NEW METHOD IN DENTISTRY.

Trueman & Steele, the well-known dentists, occupy Rooms 17 and 18 on the second floor, which are the largest and most commodious parlors in the building. They are handsomely furnished, and equipped with every modern appliance used in dentistry, especially their electric pain-destroyer. The apartments front on Market, McAllister and Jones streets. This firm takes a leading position in all branches of the profession among their various competitors, and are so constantly engaged, particularly in high-art dentistry, that they are compelled to lease additional room to meet the requirements of their patrons. An examination of a magnificent and modern piece of crown and bridge work in gold and porcelain, being their own superior method, is a sufficient guarantee of their skill in this new work.

FASHIONABLE DRESSMAKER.

M. E. Killean, one of San Francisco's artistic dress and cloak makers, has parlors on the third floor, Rooms 78 and 79. The latest fashions from the first dessinateurs of Paris, which are superior in every respect, are designed by her. They embrace all the varieties and novelties known in the fashionable world, including the choicest designs in walking, carriage and reception costumes, as well as party dresses and riding habits. Patterns are prepared with the most fastidious taste and carefully selected from the toilets worn in season.

FIRST LADY DENTIST.

Dr. Frances C. Treadwell, late of Philadelphia, is the lady pioneer in the profession of dentistry in this country, and has, by careful study, combined with many years' practice, become thoroughly skilled in all the departments of modern and dentistic work. Gentlemen, ladies and children are carefully treated and teeth are extracted without a scintilla of pain. In plate work she has no superior, her system being one of her own invention.

ATTORNEY IN PROBATE AND DIVORCE.

Frank Kennedy, attorney-at-law, has commodious offices on the fourth floor, Room 83. He makes a specialty of matters in probate and divorce, speaks French, Italian and Spanish, and gives prompt and careful attention to all business intrusted to him. Fees moderate.

MERCHANT TAILOR.

S. G. Knerr has comfortable quarters in Room 40. Suitings and pantings of the very latest productions from foreign and domestic manufactures are on exhibition in his tailoring parlors, and on account of low rent he is able to figure lower than his competitors occupying stores and under enormous expense. He is in attendance in the evenings to meet customers who find it impossible to call during the day. Full dress suits are artistically and fashionably made.

A GOOD TAILOR.

One of the best tailors in the city will be found in Room 16, Ivar M. Falseng. His suits are made to order in the very latest styles with first-class finish. A perfect fit is guaranteed. He challenges competition for substantial workmanship and asks for a continuance of public patronage.

MARVELOUS HEALING POWER.

Dr. Amelia A. Connor, Room 56, has a large practice in the treatment of all nervous diseases, to which she devotes her entire attention.

Her many letters of recommendation bear testimony to the success of her method, which operates on body and mind, linked in two, and which can no more work separately in their normal earthly action than the positive can work without the negative; or, in other words, a perfect harmony is established between the physical and spiritual.*

UNIVERSITY FIELD DAY.

Thousands of Spectators Present at the Sports.

One Class Only in the Mile Relay Race—Several Records Broken—Names of Winners of Events.

Yesterday was the sixteenth field day of the University of California, at Berkeley, and long before the hour set for the sports fully 3000 men, women and children were seated in the grand stand, while nearly a thousand belated spectators stood around the University cinder-track in the weltering sun. There was a large proportion of women among the spectators, many of them related to the contestants. Fully a thousand fans and parasols glistened in the sun when the hour of beginning was announced by Lieutenant G. F. E. Harrison, U. S. A.

President Horace Davis and Professor Frank Soule were busy for some minutes before the opening getting the athletes ready and moving the eager crowd back of the track. Lawyers, doctors, business men and venerable gentlemen with silk hats elbowed their way with boys and young men for a vantage ground.

At 1:15 o'clock the 220-yard hurdle-race was announced, and a moment later the crack of a pistol was the signal for the start. All eyes were turned to the starting point, and F. W. McNear of the class of '90 shot ahead in the 220 yards for the purpose of establishing a University record in 29 4-5 seconds. The air was filled with cheers.

Next came the 120-yard dash, with a former University record of 12 4-5 seconds. R. Gallagher won in 12½. Edwin Mays of the class of '93 was second. Gallagher had a handicap of two yards.

In the maiden hundred-yard dash, H. B. Denson of the class of '93 won in 11¾. I. J. Well of the same class was second best.

The mile run was taken by G. E. Rincaid and C. B. Lakenan of the class of '90, P. L. Weaver '91 and J. D. Burks and W. Luebbert of '92. P. L. Weaver won in 4:56½, C. B. Lakenan second.

VAULTING WITH THE POLE.

The pole vault was an interesting feature. The previous University record was 8 feet 7 inches. E. C. Van Dyke of the class of '95 made a record of 8 feet 7¾ inches. W. C. Eddy, with a 4-inch handicap made 8 feet 6¼ inches without handicap, and was awarded the medal. A. Titus made 8 feet 5¼ inches.

Edwin Mays, R. H. Ryan, J. W. Creagh, S. V. Casady, J. D. Garrison, C. A. Eldridge, J. N. Black, A. S. Henderson and F. G. O'Kane contested in the 100-yard dash. R. Gallagher won in 10 4-5 seconds, and Edwin Mays stood second at 10¾.

The 120-yard hurdle race proved very interesting. F. F. Foster, O. A. C., won in 19 1-5. F. W. McNear was second. The other runners were E. H. Barker, H. M. Willis, H. S. Butterfield and J. D. Wheelan.

E. C. Hill, E. P. Moody and W. A. Scott were then entered for a half-mile run. W. A. Scott won in 2:07½.

After the running races Professor Soule was kept busy with the spectators, who crowded to the center of the cinder track to see the running high jump, for it had been reported that there would be some remarkably high jumping. H. C. Moffitt made a record of 5 feet 6 inches against K. V. Whiting's 5 feet 4 inches.

The high kicking proved the most attractive feature to the ladies who were gratified to see K. V. Whiting make a record of 8 feet 10 inches. H. M. Willis Jr. went 8 feet 4 inches.

George Foulks walked a mile in 8:17 against the previous record of McAllister of '85, which was 8:17¾. W. Luebbert was second at 8:18¼.

RUNNING BROAD JUMP.

In the running broad jump contest D. Winter made 20 feet 7¾ inches, against 20 feet 6 inches by H. C. Head. The other jumpers were: F. W. McNear, H. C. Moffitt and J. D. Wheelan.

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