

FIGHTS AND FIGHTERS

Tom O'Rourke is Building a Club House in Connecticut.

The Report is That The House Will Be Situated Near Bridgeport—Probability of Jeffries and Rubin Fighting There—Tommy White Talks Very Sensibly—Tommy Kelly Would a Policeman Be—Joe Walcott Tired of Being Fooled.

Thomas F. O'Rourke will build a boxing clubhouse just across the Connecticut line, within forty minutes' ride of the Grand Central station. It will be near Bridgeport. The fight between Jeffries and Rubin will probably be contested at this arena, which is to be known as the Connecticut club.

O'Rourke, Bat Masterson, Dominick O'Malley and Colonel John D. Hopkins have been in the city for several days, and it is understood all four are interested in the enterprise. Work on the clubhouse, in accordance with the plans recently exhibited by O'Rourke, has been started, and it is expected the structure will be ready for business early in February, when the opening fight will take place.

As boxing bouts are now permitted in Hartford and other Connecticut towns, and as that state is the only one near enough to New York to enable speedy transit, there seems to be little question that the Nutmeg state is the favored spot. While there is no law on the boxing question in that state, the police officials of the various towns are exercising their judgment, and permit twenty round contests.

It is on his belief that the New York legislature will not again pass a law authorizing boxing that O'Rourke decided to look about for a desirable spot outside the state. However, with a good club within a hour's journey from the metropolis, the admirers of the sport will be nearly as well off as though they could see bouts in the city.

The managers wanted Walcott and Sharkey as the first fight, but the latter has declined two well known heavyweights will furnish the bout. As Clummond Jeffries will not fight until May, he cannot be secured for a bout earlier, but there is a strong prospect that the Rubin-Jeffries bout will be decided in the month of the Connecticut club next spring.

O'Rourke and his associates decline to say a word on the subject, but look wise and smile in a superior manner.

TOMMY WHITE SENSIBLE. Tommy White, who has fought both McGovern and Broad, watched their fight at Fatterson's. "I don't know but what it is a good thing that White stopped my fight with Broad," Tom said, laughingly. "White and Broad weigh but a couple of rounds in St. Louis last December, the police calling a halt because one of the contestants in a preliminary had died in the dressing-room after being knocked out. 'I never got a chance that night to find out how good Broad was.' White told his friends. 'The news of the death was brought to us just before time was called, and both of us knew that the fight would be stopped. Therefore, neither of us did much but wait for the police.' White is in doubt about ever fighting again. His ankle, which was so badly injured in his second fight with McGovern in New York, still gives him some trouble. 'You see, there would be money only in fighting such men as McGovern and Broad,' is the way he philosophizes about the situation, 'and they are so tough that there is a pretty good chance for a man to get his fingers, and that does not do much good to anybody.'

KELLY LOOKING HIGHER. Tommy Kelly, once known in boxing circles as the "Hoboken Cyclone," has renounced pugilism and put in an application for a position with the New York police force. Thomas says he is convinced there is nothing in the boxing game for a sober, industrious, good looking chap like himself, and he has made up his mind to devote his talents to the police business. "I see," said Thomas, "the Horton law went to sleep, I had it in my head that a few little affairs in private might go. I arranged a bout with a large colored gentleman named Knight and we met in a barn near New Haven. The referee, the judges and officials outnumbered the spectators, and the thing was a frost. On top of that the big Zulu Knight gave me a punch on the jaw and put me to sleep. Well, anybody could see that wasn't a paying business, and so I made up my mind to quit it. I think I shall like the police business better."

JOE WALCOTT "JOSHED." At the instigation of Tom O'Rourke, "Bat" Masterson and Dominick O'Malley drifted into Joe Walcott's cafe on Thirty-first street last evening. Walcott had never seen O'Malley, and Masterson introduced the New Orleans man as Barney Reich, manager of Tom Sharkey. Walcott showed his piano key teeth and inquired: "Has Mistah Shawkey done changed his mind about making a match with me?" "No," said O'Malley, "he will not fight you. Not because he fears you, for Sharkey doesn't know fear. All he holds off for is that he doesn't want to hurt you." "Am dot so?" snorted the Black Demon. "Well, you first ask Tom O'Rourke what I have to do to get a gentleman down at New Dawn. Huh! It wasn't me got hurt. I didn't pull off no gloves." After some further talk, Masterson and O'Malley withdrew, and then some one told Walcott of the deception. "I'm getting in of this heap joshing business," he remarked, "an somebody will get a bout at catchweights right off de reel one of these fine evenings."

BASKET BALL. The professional team of basket ball will line up and picked their team in the auditorium to-night. They will be kept hard at work every night till Thanksgiving. Tickets are going in quick time for the game, and a crowded house is the indication.

A great many store clerks would like to see a league organized between the different stores.

To-night the Y. M. C. A. symposium on the Gutzwiller and the Monitors will be the contestants in the popular basket ball league game. Both teams are evenly matched and a close game is expected. The contest will commence at 8 o'clock.

ON THE GRIDIRON.

Last Hard Practice of Yale and Harvard Is Over.

The Harvard-Yale game on Saturday will probably illustrate fully two styles of attack that have been prevalent for years. Harvard is looked to play the well known open game, while Yale will probably depend upon the tackle back formation, constituting what is known as mass play. From a spectator's standpoint Harvard's style may appear to be the more picturesque in that it may be possible to see the man with the ball from the time he starts until he is downed. This was the case in the Harvard-Pennsylvania match, and there was much favorable comment because of it. Captain Daly, at quarterback, however, has learned the knack of hiding the ball so well that opponents have been sorely puzzled to tell just what player carries the leather. For that reason the style of attack is both interesting to coaches and extra voters. It is also a problem for rival tacklers. With Yale's mass play, it is a hard matter for spectators to see the man with the ball, for the formation is close and the attack is low and solid; yet it is easier for opponents to pick out the player carrying the ball for Yale than for Harvard. Harvard's attack is more freely protected than Yale's, and it is expected that Yale may have an advantage. But Harvard's aggressiveness against Pennsylvania was of sufficient power to lay up nearly every member of the Quaker eleven for several days after the game. As both elevens will play hard, fast foot ball on Saturday, it is freely predicted that the game will be exciting but a hard close affair. The betting yesterday was still at even money with plenty of money up on both sides. There is a growing belief though, that Yale will begin the game a slight favorite, perhaps 10 to 9, but non-partisans cannot see how the game is anything but an even break.

New Haven, Nov. 22.—The Yale football team took a brace yesterday afternoon. Every player who took part in the Princeton game was in his place except Chadwick, who is resting, and Wear the quarterback, who has been displaced by Fincke. The second practice occurred nearly all the afternoon. There was less than four minutes of the practice which the general public was permitted to see. The coaches tonight held a long conference, after which it was stated that Sharpe will be Yale's left halfback in the Harvard game. There is a good deal of a surprise expressed over this change, as Fincke was to play at half against Harvard. His record in the Princeton game was so good that the college consider him a fixture for the Harvard game. On Saturday Fincke will play quarter if he plays at all. Although Chadwick has been resting ever since the Princeton game, he is still the favorite for the other half. There is a great deal of criticism over these changes made so late in the training season. Yale thought the team was as good as it could be made in the Princeton game. Sharpe has been laid up two weeks with water on his knee, and is now in a better shape. He has secured his old place because he can catch punts and drop a goal from the field. He is not in Fincke's class as an aggressive player. Hale yesterday afternoon outmarched Sharpe, so the latter will not add to Yale's punting game. There is a great deal of interest in whether Wear or Fincke is the best man for quarter. Fincke was quarter last season. Wear crowded Fincke out this season. Recently Wear has gone to pieces under the severity of the coaching. His friends say that he needs a rest and then they will be all right and for this reason they believe he will still get into the Harvard game. Sheldon is also in danger of losing his place to Richardson, his rival, who has stuck to him all day. The general impression is that Sheldon will win out. All of the other positions on the team will be the same as in the Princeton game, unless some one gets hurt or gets sick between now and Saturday.

New York, Nov. 22.—Coach Sanford, of Columbia, who has made some remarkably accurate predictions this fall in calling the results of the more important games, says that Yale will defeat Harvard, but that the game will be a close one. Sanford predicted that the Columbia-Princeton game will be a draw, that Columbia would win 6 to 0. Last Friday Sanford said that Yale would beat Princeton 30 to 0. Morley, the Columbia captain, said yesterday that Yale would beat Harvard 17 to 5, but he called attention to the fact that the Princeton-Yale game is the one the Princeton men are rooting for Yale.

Cambridge, Nov. 22.—Harvard's last practice in Cambridge before the Yale game brought out nearly four thousand students yesterday, despite the intermittent showers of rain and mud-soaked streets. For about an hour the crowds cheered the team, its captain and men. Their applause could not be concealed, and when the straggling line emerged from Soldiers' field Harvard spirit was rampant and Yale men were taken wherever met. "The men are all in fine trim," said Trainer Jack McManis, "and we shall put up a good fight." The game with Yale will be a hard fought and closely contested," said Coach W. H. Lewis, "and if the day is clear Harvard should win."

Coach W. Camera Forbes expressed himself as pleased with the exhibition of the eleven. Captain Daly said: "The team manifests splendid spirit and that ought to count." This morning at 8 o'clock the eleven left for Meriden, via Springfield. At Meriden the team will hold secret practice this afternoon and Friday morning and afternoon. Lunch will be served at 11:30 o'clock on Saturday and at 12 o'clock the players will take the train for New Haven to decide the issues between the Crimson and the Blue. Harvard's exhibition play yesterday lasted thirty-five minutes and netted three touchdowns. From two of which goals were scored, but the scoring did not represent the snappy playing of the varsity nor the hope its work inspired.

New York, Nov. 22.—Columbia's football squad resumed work yesterday after three days of rest. Bearsey, the star of the team, did not report, but the rest of the men, including

Spikes, were in the line-up and no one showed any signs of staleness. Cornell was put in Coffin's place at right tackle and impressed the coaches favorably.

Annapolis, Nov. 22.—In the presence of 2,000 persons, including Assistant Secretary of the Navy Hackett, the University of Pennsylvania defeated the Naval Cadets yesterday by a score of 28 to 0. It was a well-contested game from start to finish, and the navy did well considering that some of her best players were out of the game on account of injuries.

The St. Thomas Cadets possess a back field which is excelled by none in the state. In Captain Bagley they have a man who is almost an entire team himself. He is a sure ground-gainer, a hard bunker of the line, a clever runner in a broken field and a hard tackler. He is always in the game, from the moment time is called until the game is over. As captain of the Villanova college eleven, he was considered one of the best foot ball players on the minor college elevens. He plays left halfback. In Phil Reilly, at right half, he possesses a good mate. The latter is not such a strong bunker of the line, but plays a good game and generally gains his distance. He is an all-around athlete and he was the all-around champion of the St. Thomas A. A. two years ago. H. M. Batters, at fullback, is another fine player, his specialty lying in skirting the ends. He is a fleet runner and consequently he is considered a good ground-gainer. D. Bagley, who takes the place of the latter, is a better, more active and serious injury. Is a strong, heady player, as is Kelly, the substitute. The latter is a crackerjack, having been a member of the '97 team. In Keating at quarter and Collins substitute quarterback, the Cadets have two good reliable players, who seldom make a fumble. They are also excellent tacklers, and there are good in every position on the back field of the Fifth Artillery can surpass that one. It must be a phenomenal one. All these players will be in the game on Thanksgiving afternoon at the Driving park. The tickets for this game, which will be the game of the season, are selling rapidly and every indication points to a very large crowd being present when the two teams face each other.

TWO LAPS BETWEEN LEADERS. Misses Gast and Brandon Still Close Together in Cycle Contest.

Up to the end of the racing last night at the Clermont Avenue, rink, New York, Miss Gast still was leading by two laps, Miss Brandon of Canada being second. Mrs. Jane Lindsay of Merrick road came next, and Miss Marie Davis was fourth. Miss and Miss Pethard made good showings. The score:

Table with 2 columns: Name, Laps. Misses. Miss Margaret Gast 241 15. Miss Little Brandon 241 13. Mrs. Jane Lindsay 236 11. Miss Marie Davis 236 10. Mrs. Emma Bayne 234 8. Miss May Pethard 181 11.

Senator Davis Delirious. ST. PAUL, Nov. 22.—The forenoon and early afternoon as Senator Davis, most comfortable hours, and during these hours yesterday he slept almost continually. At noon his temperature was normal, but his pulse and respiration were so high as to indicate fully the advance of the disease. This is combined with a delirium, which manifests itself almost continually during the forenoon and afternoon. The attending physicians have frequently been quoted in the past few days by Senator Davis' intimate friends as saying that they entertain no hope whatever of his recovery. While no official statement to this effect has been made, the unofficial reports have gained wide credence and have tended to increase the anxiety of Senator Davis' friends.

Gift of a Million Dollars. NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Hans Schuyler, B. D. Ph. D., of College Point, Queens county, told his friends that he has been notified that he has won possession of a fortune of about \$1,000,000, the gift of a wealthy uncle in Germany. The uncle, he said, had made a fortune in the coffee business and had decided to retire using the money to make a gift to the young man. At present he is the principal of a school at College Point.

Cleveland Councilmen Smirched. CLEVELAND, Nov. 22.—A sensational affidavit made by Charles W. Lapp, a member of the council, has been made public. Councilman Lapp swears that Councilman White told him that "the gang" (meaning certain members of the council) received \$50,000 for their votes on the police bill. Lapp further intimated that \$5,000 more was to be paid for their votes on a contract for the new city fire alarm system.

Grand Rapids Celebrates. GRAND RAPIDS, Nov. 22.—The Grand Rapids board of trade last night celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the incorporation of the city by a monster banquet at the Armory hall. General Russell Alger of Detroit, who began his career here, being the honored guest in his present position by a small investment in lumber, was the guest of honor. He spoke to "Reminiscences of Early Days."

Ivanhoe Paper Mill Burned. NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Fire yesterday destroyed the old Ivanhoe paper mill at Waterson, N. J. It caught fire during the great gale, and burning could have it. The building of late had been used as a place in which to store rags, and the smoke from the rags was so dense that it forced the operatives in the Rogers locomotive works and the Sylvan mill mills to suspend work.

A Furry in Corn. CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—November corn went to 45 cents yesterday. George Phillips, the lately recognized king of the corn pit, stood in the center of the arena, apparently entirely unharmed, as the market around him when the grain reached that mark. The din would have drowned the roar of a locomotive. The shorts were wild. They were involuntarily the means of forcing the price higher. The young man in the center made a few sales. The price soon dropped slightly.

Electric Train Trials. NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—The experimental electric train on the Second Avenue line of the Manhattan Elevated railway for the first time made several trips yesterday between Eighty-sixth and Sixty-fifth streets. It is judged as between regular trains and ran just as if carrying passengers, making all regular stops. It stopped a speed of 40 miles an hour. All the electric trials will be run at that rate. The steam trains average about 12 miles an hour.

A GREAT POLO GAME.

Waterbury Proves Her Superiority Over New Haven.

One of the Finest Contests Ever Witnessed in the Local Rink—The Crowd Went Wild Over the Play of the Home Team—Nip and Tuck Went the Battle Until the Bell Sounded—Meriden Goes Down Before Springfield—Notes of the Game.

It was polo, and polo of the old, exciting kind, that was witnessed by the 1,000 people at the Auditorium last night. There was not a dull moment throughout the whole forty-five minutes of play, and players and spectators were kept very busy. There have been no games played in any rink here this season and the New Haven polo club, during any season, that has created the enthusiasm and has been so fiercely contested as the one of last night. It was a fight from the first sound of the whistle, and Jimmy Canavan and the New Haven players found that it was the most difficult problem they ever started in to solve. The local players have met and put to rest both Hartford and Springfield, and last night saw the leaders of the league played to a standstill and beaten in as brief a battle as the latter had ever known. The New Haven polo club, during any season, that has created the enthusiasm and has been so fiercely contested as the one of last night. It was a fight from the first sound of the whistle, and Jimmy Canavan and the New Haven players found that it was the most difficult problem they ever started in to solve. The local players have met and put to rest both Hartford and Springfield, and last night saw the leaders of the league played to a standstill and beaten in as brief a battle as the latter had ever known. The New Haven polo club, during any season, that has created the enthusiasm and has been so fiercely contested as the one of last night. It was a fight from the first sound of the whistle, and Jimmy Canavan and the New Haven players found that it was the most difficult problem they ever started in to solve. The local players have met and put to rest both Hartford and Springfield, and last night saw the leaders of the league played to a standstill and beaten in as brief a battle as the latter had ever known.

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The great and only bunch of Waterburyans will be here Saturday night. "Hurrah for our side." If Meriden can't lick that conglomerate, even if we haven't the strongest team in the league, why—well the locals will do their best—Meriden Record.—They will take road crew of you both tomorrow night and Saturday night.

Tommy Holderness received a blow from one of the New Haven hockey last night that could be heard all over the rink. It was a severe blow too, but was done accidentally as the New Haven players started to hit the ball as Tommy jumped in front of it. The lad needed but a moment of time to get back into the game again.

The game put up by Waterbury last night is fast enough for any team in this league, and the souther leaders begin to recognize that fact the better it will be for all concerned. Waterbury has a "look in" at that point and let all those writers who were scoring the poor Waterbury team, just mention that fact in their hats and keep it there.

There is no denying the fact that "dirty" polo playing has got to be cut out of the game if the players want the public to support it. Such methods as Holderness used here Monday night caused many to leave the rink disgusted. Polo can be played without resorting to foul play. A player must be clean, he is clever enough to get by another, such as Holderness resorted to Monday night. The league should call Holderness down, and it probably will if he keeps up his dirty work.—Springfield News.—That is rubbing it in pretty hard, Mr. Jones says. That's right, because never was a dirty player. He may hold a man, but he never resorts to ungentlemanly tactics. Just watch a couple of your players who do the center work on the floor.

The week's schedule is as follows: Thursday—Hartford at Springfield. Friday—Springfield at New Haven. Meriden at Waterbury. Saturday—Waterbury at Meriden. New Haven at Hartford.

Secretaries East in Cuba. SANTIAGO, Cuba, Nov. 22.—Secretary Root and General Wood, with the other members of their party, left yesterday morning for Guantanamo, from which point they proceeded to north coast ports, where General Wood expects to meet his family. Before returning Washington Secretary Root will meet Sir William Van Home at Puerto Principe. Local business interests are intensely anxious with reference to the new Cuban company, in which Sir William Van Home is president. The company is now employing 2,000 men in the construction of a railroad, but without a franchise. Secretary Root declines to discuss political matters for publication, but said that he was the richest and prettiest place he had ever seen.

Good Roads Association Formed. CHICAGO, Nov. 22.—During the closing hours of the national good roads convention a permanent organization was effected. The National Good Roads association is the name of the new organization. Headquarters will be in Chicago. Officers were elected for the first year, and it is the intention of the association to conduct the most important work of the improvement of the public highways along the lines suggested by the convention. The articles of the association state that the new organization is to represent the various national, state, agricultural, business, commercial, educational, and wheelmen's and automobile associations of the country which are furthering the cause of good roads.

Cuban Constitutional Convention. HAVANA, Nov. 22.—The Cuban constitutional convention at its session yesterday in the Marti theater discussed the roles of the Yaca Cuban assembly and adopted 56 out of 143 as the rules to govern the sessions of the present organization. The most important provision was that delegates during the exercise of their duty shall not accept positions under the government. This rule, however, does not apply to delegates already holding positions. Another rule forbids delegates to be absent longer than eight days.

Trouble in Japan's Cabinet. LONDON, Nov. 22.—"The overthrow of Marquis Ito's cabinet," says the Yokohama correspondent of the Daily Mail, "is threatened. Already Viscount Katsumi, minister of war, has resigned in consequence of a scandal affecting Hoshi Toru, minister of communications, who is accused of accepting large bribes and of having been arrested for political opponents of the accused minister denounce him as a 'Tammanist,' probably because he was formerly minister to the United States."

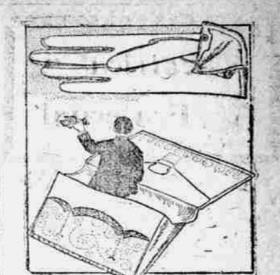
Official Vote of Boston. BOSTON, Nov. 22.—The tabulation of the official vote of Boston at the state election has been completed. The Bryan election carried the city by a record of 58,000 votes, and Pauline, the Democratic candidate for governor, had a plurality over Governor Crane of over 3,000. Lieutenant Governor John L. Bates, Republican, carried the city by about 700 over John P. O'Donnell of Northampton, the Democratic candidate, for the second place on the state ticket.

Rhode Island's Vote. PROVIDENCE, Nov. 22.—The state board of canvassers has completed the official count of the presidential votes cast Nov. 5. The total number of votes cast for presidential candidates was 55,538. The votes were divided as follows: McKinley, 30,812; Bryan, 23,724; Bryan and Stevenson, 10,812; Mallory and Remond, 1,423; Woolley and Metcalf, 1,223. McKimley's plurality was 13,722.

A Beady Duct. COLUMBIA, Ga., Nov. 22.—Mitchell Taylor and Charles Taylor, both negroes, fought a settable duel with pistols near here. The cause was \$2.15 due on a watch by Coner to Taylor. Coner was killed, and Taylor was badly wounded. During the struggle Taylor's political opponent, the Democratic candidate, for the second place on the state ticket.

ST. JOHN'S SHIPS Wrecked. ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Nov. 22.—The new steamer Fife, one of Mr. Reid's fleet of eight mailboats running in the postal service, was lost in the straits of Belle Isle Sunday during a dense snowstorm. The vessel was worth \$100,000, and it is believed that she was not insured. No lives were lost. The crew of 30 men took to the boats and had a terrible experience before reaching land.

Charles K. Booth III. NEW YORK, Nov. 22.—Charles K. Booth, son of Commodore and Mrs. Ballington Booth, the heads of the Volunteers of America, is seriously ill at his parents' home in Montclair, N. J., with appendicitis. An operation is thought to be necessary. He has been in the hospital. He is about 11 years old. His mother has canceled all her engagements for the next two weeks.



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