Preparations of the Fishermen Along the Delaware.

Work to Be Started in Three Weeks -Gillers and Seine Men on the Move for the Approaching Season-Some Rare Sights to Be Witnessed

PHILADELPHIA, March 17.-Along the banks of the Delaware, from Camden as far down as the bay, yellow nets are here and there spread over the coarse, stiff grass. Weather-beaten men in bootsbroad-breasted, well set up-move slowly to and fro, steeping to mend the nets with twine. A strong and steady wind ruffles the river; the waters are gilded by a sun that blazes like a conflagration in a sky unimaginably blue; in the mud of the marshes crows stand solemnly, and through the clear air gulls circle, their breasts and the inside of their wings shining like white cotton in the great light. The air is cool, yet it is soft. There is something joyous, something in-texteating in the air. It is the breath of

the approaching spring.

In anticipation of the spring and of the shad that will then swim up the river, all those healthy-looking men are getting their nets ready. They will not begin to catch the shad until April 10, but prepared in good time. They are called "gillers," after their nets, which are gill nets, and there are some 500 of them. dwelling in huts or boat-houses along the stream, and depending mainly on the two months' shad fishing for their livelihood

through the year.
Then there is a colony of about forty other men, just summoned to Washington Park to get ready the gigantic, mile-long seine, Albert Rice-Capt, Albert Ricethe seine, and the forty men will work under him at a salary, living in his houses below Washington Park, and eat-ing at his table, which is renowned along the river for its excellence.

The gillers fish on their own account, and what they catch is theirs. Their nets are made of a cord as fine, pretty nearly, as silk. The delicate meshes catch the shad by the gills, and at the end of a good season's fishing a giller will have some \$350 or \$400 to the good. He works day and night, setting out his net at each of the three tides, peddling shad about the waterside streets between times. A healthy, calm-minded man, blessed with an incredible appetite and few ambitions of a worldly or sordid kind, the giller takes life easy after the shad season, though he will occasionaly then spread a net over some sewer's outlet in the river and draw it up freighted with about a ton of carp.

The mile-long seine net owned by Capt. remember when it was made. It probably dates back, they say at Washington Park, to the old Howell fishery, which Gen. Joseph Howell started at Glou-cester in 1856. It was not made in any factory, but by fishermen themselves. All the shad nets, for that matter, are the handiwork of the men who use them. the handiwork of the men who use them. The laying out of the huge seine at Washington Park during the shad season is a sight worth seeing. It is wound on a roller in the stern of a thirty-foot boat, pulled by sixteen men, eight oars on a side. The boat moves in a semi-circle across the river, and the set is carefully let fall. Being forty feet wide, it walls the stream from top to bottom, and no hish that happens to be within the area of its great circle can escape. In one haul it will sometimes gather in 6,900 shad, and then again it will gather in but twenty.

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size of the catch. At the turn of the tide
the cast is made, Captain Rice having a
little machine, called an indicator, by
which he knows precisely when the tide

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changes. There are three casts daily—at flood, at ebb, and at low tide. The season is open until June 19, but the fishing practically ceases by Decoration Day, as the shad begins after that to get soft.

The night ushing causes the Delaware to be illuminated with jewel-like lights. The floating nets of the gillers are marked with lanterns, and lanterns bob and flash in hundreds of little fishing boats. Afterward the captured shad, in quivering mounds, gleam like pearl in the yellow light, through which the men move in their hip-boots, while around them is the calm and mysterious night, the murmuring river, and the sky with its host of stars.

Whether a shad season is good or not depends on the degree of brackishness of the river, the brackishness in its turn depending on the amount of rainfail during the spring. A dry spring means excellent fishing, and vice versa. Last spring was unusually dry, and hence last year witnessed one of the lest yields of shad from the Delaware ever known. The quality of the fish is regulated by the degree of coldness of the spring. The colder the weather the more active the fish must be in order to get food, and this activity affects them as it affects men, making them healthy, and cansing their lesh to be, in consequence of their good health, firm and sweet.

The Pelaware shad are liked by epicures in New York, Boston, and Chicago. They cannot be shipped in good condition much farther than the last named city. There is only one way to cook them, the fishermen say—on an oak plank. And he who has not yet tasted planked shad lass a new and delightful experience still in store.

In the river hotels, where planked shad is a specialty, there will be a line of fires, some forty feet in extent, that are only used for planking. These fires are built in little stoves, and each stove has a vertical grate—in front, not on top—before which the shad is set. First, though, the oak Saard—two inches thick and two feet long by eigh

NO HURRY AT BRISTOL.

The Herreshoffs Paying No Attention to Rival Cup Candidates.

BRISTOL, R. L. March 17 .- One of the Herreshoff foremen was asked last night if in his opinion the statement that the Hoston yacht was to be launched in about month had any effect in accelerating he work on the Belmont syndicate yacht thuilt here. "Not in the least," he
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Selling; one and one-sixteenth miles—Hija, 25;
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Order, Mahrajah, 107; Pinar del Rio, Little Sailie, 109; Fucino, Ring Elkwood, 211; Paccuaker,
114. work along as fast as possible, but not to slight any part in the smallest particular.

Anyone acquainted with Captain Nat does not need to be told that he pays very little attention to what his rivals in yacht building are doing. He has enough on his mind in superintending the bailding of his own yacht without thinking of other boats at present.

"Captain Nat' is a modest man, but he has at the confidence in himself, and it is safe to say that he is not worrying in the least about the outcome of next summers races. This confidence is shared by all of us at the shops, and we always back the Herreshoft yachts to the limit at the time of the races. We hope the Lawson boat will have a shy at our craft, as we would like a little Boston money. We never hear anything said in regard to a date for the hunching, but the Herreshoft boats are always put overboard when they are ready and not a minute before to please anyone. It looks as if there were at least five weeks work yet on our boat before she will be ready to be issuanched."

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The riveters have been very active during the last week, and their number has been increased by taking on three first class workmen. The gang can be seen through the windows on the south side of the shop, scattered all along the high staging, and the din of their hammers resounding on the holiow mena; sides of the yacht denotes hustling work. The sharper strokes of the compressed air riveter can easily be distinguished. The riveters have finished everything below the third strake of plates from the top, but here they strike the longer plates and the progress, will be slower. The plating can hardly be finished before April 1. Nearily, if not quite, all the metal work inside the yicht has been finished, and some of the carpeater work on the wooden bulkheads was done yesterday. A sail room will be built in the heat well forward, and also three cablins—one for the manager and two for the captain and mate. The woodwork is to be of light weight, and the finish will not be particularly fine. The work of lighting the deck will be begun as soon as the inst plate is riveted. Indications still noint to a steel deck of thin plates, which will add strength to the top sides and at the same time weigh less than a deck of that pine planking. Work on the sails, steel apars, and standing rigging is progressing well, and there will be no delay after the boat is launched.

GRADUATE CLUB MEETING.

Quarterly Gathering of Former Co. lumbian University Students.

The Graduate Club of the Columbia The draduate thus of the Commonst University, consisting of graduate stud-ents of the academic department held its quarterly meeting in the Post Graduate thal of the university Saturday night. There were many members present. J. W. Holcombe, the president of the club, occu-pied the chair, and Lila Taylor, the acc-led the chair, and the records.

Histormbe, the president of the clift, occupied the chair, and Lika Taylor, the accretary, had charge of the records.

After the transaction of routine matters, C. S. Hyde and Percival Hall, the delegates of the club to the confederation of graduate clubs, which met at Philadelphia hast December, reported that it was decided at that meeting to hold the convention this year at Columbian University, of this city, under the anspires of its graduate club. The report was received with general sathsfaction.

A programme consisting of musical and literary numbers concluded the entertainment. Among those who contributed toward the evening's enjoyment were Miss Grace Ross, who gave several rectations; William J. Hamilton, with a number of vocal sciections; Miss May Gamet, who in a very accomplished style sang the beautiful Scotch isailed. "My Home is Where the Heather Blooms;" Miss Aida Doyle, plane accompanist, who also rendered neveral soles Refreshments were served.

The committee which had charge of the programme consisted of Miss Clara Upton, Chairman; Miss Lila Taylor, Secretary; W. D. Farlkner, Treasurer, and J. W. Holcombe, President ex-officio.

GOOD SPORT IN PROSPECT.

horoughbreds Working Into Shap for the Benning Meet. Ideal weather, and the prospect of se ng the horses work for future events, at the coming spring meeting, axtracted a large crowd to Benning yesterday. The enthusiasts were amply repaid for the trip, for a more enjoyable day so far as weather and track conditions were concerned could not have been selected. No very fast work was shown; the best being three-eignins in a shade better than thirty-eight seconds, turned by a couple of fillier owned by local parties.

From everwork, werry, or other causes men and wensen use themselves up, strength and compiler collapse takes place. It is for just a such cases as this that old Dr. Hallock's Wonderful Electric Pills are made. They cure the most obstinate cases of nervous prestration, nervous incomin, servous headache, fluttering of the heart, nervous spells in which you surely think you are going to die, paralysis, suitifica, St. Vitus' dance, as tired in the morning as when you went to bed, and all nerve croubles of the heart, hervous People resture the arry centres, and make new, rich blood, giving a rost cheek for the pale, bhoodless face, simulate the ambition, and restore the confidence in one's self. Sol at drug store, \$1 per hox; \$ boxes, sufficient to cure most obstinate cases, \$5, and by E. Stevens' Drug Store, 6th st, and Pa. Wes, Washington, or sent direct from laboratory, prepaid, on receipt of price.

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a few owners of cheap selling platers to pull down a purse, which would appear impossible under the conditions of the present programms. There are cheap races enough, but the conditions are such that some horses eligible to start in them have the races at their mercy.

The track is in splendid condition, the surroundings are all that can be desired, and the spring meeting of 1961 promises to be the most successful in the history of the Jockey Club.

The latest arrival at the track is "Pa" Bradley with a string of twenty-two, among which are the following:

The Stewardess, bay filly, two-year-old, by Alhoa-Miss Stewart; Arline, black filly, two-year-old, by Alhoa; All About bay, gelding, two-year-old, by Alhoa-Miss, gelding, two-year-old, by Alhoa-Water Witch; Anron Pond, bay gelding, two-year-old, by Alhoa; Hore, bay gelding, two-year-old, by Alhoa; Hilly, two-year-old, by Miracie; Lady Miracie; Unnamed bay filly, two-year-old, by Miracie; Lady Miracie; Lady Miracie; U

jockey.

Silver Fox, with Mike Lynch up, was given useful exercise through the field. He did all that was asked of him and fenced well, but he looks as if he needed something more essential to a race horse.

something more essential to a race horse than work.

President Howland, of the Jockey Club, has engaged Haley's Orchestral Band for the entire meeting. This will be welcome news to the patrons of the grandstand and will be highly appreciated.

THE RACING CALENDAR.

NEW ORLEANS, March 17 .- Entries for

Pirst race-For four-year-olds and upward

First race—For four-year-olds and opward; selling; seven furforage—Egalite, 102; Judge Magree, Excelsis, Right Bells, 104; Frank McConnell, 111; Helen Paxton, 107; Locust Blossom, 109; Free Hand, 107; Radhant Heat, 112; Treber, 118. Second race—For two-year-old fillies; four furforage—Lady Afra, Tenns F., Aretas, 102; Marie Bell, Tambourine II, Elsle L., 105; Kentucky Muddle 110.

Third race—For three-year-olds and upward; landleap; six furforage—Lenox, Gertrude Elliott, 62; Chara David, 52; Thurles, 55; Georgie, 104; Sim W. 107; Cad Hazel, 106; Tom Kingsley, 110; Sevoy, 112.

Fourth race—St. Patrick's Turf Handleap; for three-year-olds and upward; one and one-eighth nifes—Empress of Beauty, 96; Hood's Brigade, Major Manser, 97; Sir Gatian, Strangest, 100; Cluder, 101; Varro, 103; Hen Chance, 104; Dissolute, 109; Intrusive, 134.

Fifth race—For three-year-olds and upward; bellings, seven and one-eighth contents.

are among the best known of the many dangerous wild plants and shrubs. To touch or handle them quickly produces swelling and inflammation with intense itching and burning of the skin. The cruption soon disappears, the seri soon disappears, the suf-ferer hopes forever; but

almost as soon as the little blisters and ustules appeared the poison had reached the blood, and will 'reak out at regular intervals and each time in a more aggravated form. This poison will loiter in the system for years, and every atom of it must be forced out of the blood before you can expect a perfect, permanent cure

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Our Entire Stock of Men's and Youths' Suits at 50c on the Dollar.

It is the policy of this establishment not to carry goods over, but to start each season with a new and fresh stock. This policy, therefore, is responsible for this half-price offering, a movement which will prove a worthy successor to the "Rummage" Sale; which will prove a greater and better sale because it includes our best goods and complete lots; patterns and weights suitable for present and spring wear--while the "Rummage" sale offered only odds and ends. Think of it, every fancy suit in the house-both large and small lots, light, medium, and dark patterns-good, better, and best qualities are offered at one-half its former price. For instance:

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The original ticket remains on every garment, and you pay one-half the marked price. This offering is without parallel in this store's history. You have the choice of hundreds of the season's best patterns in worsteds, cassimeres, and cheviots; also blues and black. Every size man may be fitted, whether tall or short, lean, stout, or regular size.

We hope those of you who did not share in the "Rummage" Sale will attend this, and those who did share should also participate in these, the most remarkable clothing bargains ever made in this city.

Every man in Washington ought to be interested.

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print cloth market, and it ends with an agreement on the part of most of the mills owners to close their plants four weeks between this day and May 5. This is the result of the trade depression. For weeks past the cloth has piled up rapidly, as

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ed to only 50.00 pieces. All were odds, for regulars were not in demand. Although some outside centres report a fair amount of business. Fall River is obtaining only as small share of it, owing to the fact that print cloth market, and it ends with an the new local price is shaded a sixteenth by competitors. The curtailment plan has the local and prevent any concessions in price.

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