

OF INTEREST TO RACE-GOERS

"Skeets" Martin Has an Envyable Record in the Saddle.

Dick Clawson and Joe Piggott Both Riding in Great Form.

Tod Sloan Is Getting Much Newspaper Notoriety—Kentucky Breeding Farms Retiring.

Among the top-notch riders the race for the first place honors in the way of winning mounts in the close one. Tod Sloan in all has accented 97 mounts, has been 22 times first, 20 times second, 20 times third and 35 times unplaced. Piggott has ridden in but 80 races to date. He was generally first past the wire or very near the rear of the bunch. His record shows he piloted 23 winners, was 15 times astride the place horse, 9 times finished in the show and was beyond the money on 33 occasions. Eddie Jones has a very good record. Of the 69 times he has won the colors the horse he has sat astride have caught the eye of the judges first in 12 instances. He was 11 times second, 9 times third and 27 times outside of the coin.

"Skeets" Martin did not arrive until the season had progressed for some time, but he has a very enviable record. Of the 22 races he has ridden in he has been 10 times first, 5 times second, 5 times third, and unplaced but twice.

The announcement recently made by Alfred Hennen Morris that The Friar would be retired to the stud will come in the light of good news to the race-goers. The Eastern turf writers, too, will lose a very breezy subject to scribble about, and Trainer Wyndam Walden will have a sigh of relief. Undoubtedly a great racehorse, he had a fashion of bobbing up serenely at the most inopportune times, when the talent had their checks down hard on some warm favorite, not considering him in it. These reversals of his caused the Eastern cities to use some harsh language in referring to the stable, but it looks now as though their troubles were at an end.

"Long Shot" Conley has made a pronounced hit with racegoers. His style is similar to that of the Eastern writer, who rode the Baldwin horses some years ago, vigorous and lasting, unwilling to acknowledge defeat. Conley does not like the overland route in races, and it is said will take a desperate chance to send his way to the front. His finish Thursday astride Harry Thoburn nearly drove the outside players insane.

Secretary Green of Ingleside track announced that in future entries to overnight events will close at 2:30 p. m. each day, beginning to-day. Horsemen are also requested to call at the office of the Pacific Coast Jockey Club to-day for their admission coupons for the coming meeting.

Tod Sloan has become famous and no mistake. The Eastern press is now beginning to give reprints of his early horse in Kokomo, To. at the age of 7, Tod at 15 years of age and Tod from his latest photograph. He is one of the very few that ever dropped from a parachute and struck a soft spot.

Barney Schreiber, the bookmaker, is owner of the Australian sire, Paul Scott, and he says the yearlings by this fine-looking imported horse are developing into very lucky looking youngsters. It begins to look as though Barney would experience no difficulty in naming his get. The names proposed are as suggestive of the sire, are: Half Shot, Loko, Loaded, Over a Barrel, Bad Shot and Ratanaplan II.

Some of the Eastern owners now here seem to enjoy starting a good horse and seeing him lose two or three times. Bernadillo and Mandolina are two shining instances. The former opened favorite and ran as thoroughly unacquainted with the game. When they are fit the ring will cheer to see them again. It is that is the reason that some trainers have more money than others.

As a rule Texas horsemen put an early morning "prep" on their horses and cut loose the first of the year. Texas horses have been the mediums of some of the biggest "killings" known to the turf.

Many of the big breeding farms in Kentucky are going out of the business. Among the studs to be closed out before the first of the year are those of Scott, B. G. Thomas and Field Bro. California horsemen in search of brood mares will miss a grand opportunity by not looking the sales up.

F. E. MULLHOLLAND.

PROSPECTING FOR STRIPED BASS. Anglers must not forget that the season for catching trout in fresh water will close with this month.

Mr. Cooper caught a nice basket of trout last Sunday in Paper-mill Creek, and W. Johnson, who fished Lagunitas Creek, also did well. It is said that Sulphur Creek has been fished with marked success recently by anglers who live in Cloverdale.

Greek fishermen who reside near Antioch state that strings of large size can be taken with rod and line at a point in the San Joaquin River known as the breakwater, and distant about three miles from Antioch. Small hardmouths are used for bait, but doubtless live shrimp would prove to be a very tempting fare if properly presented to Mr. Bass.

Recently a gentleman from this city was credited with having landed a sea bass at Point Reyes on a 7-ounce trout rod. It was reported that the fish was killed after the angler had five hours' fun with it. Latest intelligence from Point Reyes is to the effect that the sea bass was shot by one of the keepers of the Country Club while the fish was struggling in shallow water and afterward sold to the angler, who took great pride in telling his friends how the big game was bagged. The bass weighed 45 pounds.

Benny, the well-known fly-fisher, will soon change his residence. Mr. Butler, who is a particular friend of old Benny, has arranged to plant John for the balance of his days in a comfortable dwelling on the bank of the famous Eel River, Humboldt County, where the old angler can enjoy happy moments at his favorite pastime during times when business is slack.

Benny was the first of the fraternity of stream waders to discover that the steelheads of Eel River will rise to a fly when the feathered lure is properly presented to the game fishes.

CALIFORNIA CLUB SWIMMING EVENTS. On Sunday the California swimming Club will hold an aquatic tournament at the ocean beach and Sutro's baths. R. B. Borneil and Joe Hart are matched to swim around Seal Rocks for a wager of \$100 and a gold medal. At the baths O. Schultz and ex-champion A. B. Baker will dive for points. There will be a 500-yard relay race, 100-yard race and a 200-yard race for the amateur champion-



ASSOCIATED CLUBS MEETING

Officers to Be Elected and Annual Reports Heard Next Week.

Bay City Wheelmen and Olympic Cyclers Will Give a Minstrel Show.

Continued Success of California Professionals in Honolulu—Good Roads League.

The annual meeting of the California Associated Cycling Clubs will be held a week from to-night at the Imperial Cycling Club, 614 Van Ness avenue. Besides the reports of officers and committees the election of officers will take place. The candidacy of Charles Albert Adams of the Olympics for the presidency has met with such favor that there will be no opposition to him. Secretary Scovern's work has been so satisfactory that the delegates also feel like returning him for another term in harness.

All clubs must send their new delegates to this meeting, together with their credentials. Unless this is done the clubs neglecting to observe this requirement of the by-laws will be without voice in the meeting.

Several matters left over from the last meeting will be taken up, including the application of Charles A. Kraft for reinstatement into the amateur ranks. The racing board has also been inquiring into the amateur status of Percy Mott and J. E. Wing, and its report on these two men will be listened to with interest.

Another prominent Bay City wheelman will join such ranks that there will be no opposition to him. Secretary Scovern's work has been so satisfactory that the delegates also feel like returning him for another term in harness.

The Bay City Wheelmen and Olympic Cyclers will give a minstrel show on Monday evening, December 13. The talent will be secured from among the best amateurs of the city, and a fine performance is promised.

Martin L. Espinosa of the Olympic Club Wheelmen is back in this city after a protracted visit to Mexico.

J. H. Brunings has resigned as treasurer of the Cycle Board of Trade owing to press of other business, and W. Marwood has been elected to fill the unexpired term. The next meeting of the board will be held Tuesday evening, December 7.

The California Cycling Club enjoyed a trolley ride Tuesday night, as an innovation from the ordinary time club runs. The club was accompanied by its own brass band of thirty pieces.

Will Knippenberg has returned to his Los Angeles home, and Southern cycling affairs will once more resume their normal state.

W. E. Becker, the celebrated Eastern professional now here, will go to Seattle in a few days to visit relatives. He is thinking of making a pilgrimage to Australia stopping off at Honolulu.

The baseball teams of the Olympic Club Wheelmen and Bay City Wheelmen will meet on the Sixteenth-street diamond to-morrow at noon. There is a great deal of rivalry between the two clubs, and a "warm" time is in prospect.

There will be a members' meeting of the Bay City Wheelmen this evening to discuss subjects of vital interest to the club and President Kerrigan requests a full attendance. Following the meeting there will be a euchre party and refreshments.

The annual meeting and election of officers of the Good Roads League will be held at the rooms, 16 Post street, this afternoon at 2 o'clock. As matters of importance to the future welfare of the league will also be considered at this meeting a full attendance of the members is desired.

The executive committee of the California Associated Cycling Clubs will hold an important meeting this evening at the Olympic Club. All delegates are requested to be present and if they cannot attend are asked to send some one to the conference in their stead who can act for their club. This meeting is preliminary to the annual meeting on December 4 at the Imperial Club.

A good method to clean the chain of a wheel is given by an Eastern cycling authority. Boil it in water with a generous quantity of sal-soda. Boil long enough to remove all particles of dirt and grime. Wash it in clear, hot water and then dry thoroughly. Warm the chain through with dry heat and place it in good lubricating oil, allowing it to remain until cool. Remove, hang up to drain and wipe fairly clean of oil. The first part of this method cleans the rivets and the method of oiling gets the oil in on the rivets where it is needed.

ing a fortnight sightseeing at the expense of the track management, who made big money on the venture, they will return home.

The San Francisco Koad Club has a run to-morrow afternoon to the Six-mile House to enjoy a clam bake. In the forenoon the baseball team of the club will play a picked nine at the Velodrome grounds.

The Acme Club will hold its annual minstrel show next Monday evening at the Macintosh Theater, Oakland. A splendid program has been arranged. The East Oakland Wheelmen will hold a smoker at their clubrooms Saturday evening, December 11.

VOLLEY-BALL WELL PLAYED. The number of volley-ball players is rapidly increasing, and two good games

men: H. Tonjes (captain), J. F. Novitsky, J. J. Piester, J. Vogel, George Schaefer and M. Volkmann.

The first game lasted 47 minutes; the second 36 minutes. Umpires—R. Horner and J. C. Hennings; scorer—Ed H. Ziska; line-man—Alex Peterson.

COURSING AT INGLESIDE. Weather permitting there will be a large attendance at the Ingleside coursing park to-day, as the dogs that have been entered for the stake are the pick of the local kennels.

The Colorado sportsmen, who have been rusticated here since the great interstate meeting at Merced, will leave for their respective homes on Monday and they will carry with them the best wishes of the local leasemen.

Messrs. Donahoe, Simmons and Bartels

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WILL BATTLE TUESDAY NIGHT

Choynski and Jeffries Have Quit Training and Are Now Resting.

The Los Angeles Heavy-Weight Champion Is Confident of Winning.

Griffo Will Arrive on Sunday Evening Under Engagement to the Occidental Club.

On Tuesday evening the National Athletic Club will "pull off" the much-talked-of heavy-weight battle between Choynski and Jeffries. Betting on the result favors the smaller man, who has learned much from experience, but then the sports in Oakland are following Billy Delaney's advice, and they will play Jeffries, who will remain on the short end while the betting lasts.

Some pools have already been sold at Crowley on Baggett's at \$10 to \$7, with Choynski on the long end. It is thought that the San Francisco boy will finish in the betting a 2 to 1 favorite.

The fighters are in splendid fettle, especially can this be said of Jeffries, who has been training two months for this match, it having been postponed twice. Choynski is very confident of whipping his 200-pound opponent, and in case he should meet with defeat he will be the most surprised man on earth.

Jeffries did not make as good a showing when he fought Gus Rubling as his audience expected, but Delaney says that he has improved 90 per cent since then, and will whip Choynski to a certainty, as Joe has had too many battles and cannot now take anything like the punishment he received from Goddard some years ago in Australia. Delaney also contends that Choynski is a poor defensive fighter and can be hit by any pugilist who has the least knowledge of the game.

"Jeffries will hit me all right," said Delaney, "and you can bet that Choynski will keep away from Jim after my boys land a couple of lefts on his ear or jaw. It won't be all clear sailing with Choynski this trip. Jeffries will satisfy his friends and he is no dub, as some people christened him after his battle with Rubling. By the way, this fellow Rubling will make things interesting for any of the top-notchers."

Griffo, the champion drunkard pugilist of the world, is now on his way from the East to fill an engagement with the Occidental Club. Provided Mr. Griffo will turn over a new leaf and prove to the people of this city that he will quit associating with his friend John Barleycorn while a resident of the State he will be matched against George Lavigne.

Young Mitchell said yesterday that if Griffo cannot behave himself he will decline the match off and have the fighter shipped to parts unknown.

There is no gainsaying the fact that the Australian is a wonderful fighter, and in condition he can make most anybody look sheepish in a ring, but the Occidental Club will find that the task of keeping Mr. Griffo under orders is the hardest it has ever experienced. Griffo will arrive here probably Sunday morning.

Nick Aronson of 313 Geary street, who trained McKeever to fight Green, is very anxious for a contest with any of the light or welter weights, Frank McConnell or Jimmy Whalen preferred.

The following letter from the secretary of the Manhattan Club marks for itself: SAN FRANCISCO, November 24, 1897. Sporting Editor—DEAR SIR: The exhibition committee of the Manhattan Athletic Club beg to call your attention to the fact that on Monday evening, November 29, there will be held at clubrooms, 1749 Mission street, a grand athletic exhibition. The following are the main events: Four-man boxing contest between Al Neil and John Loney to decide the welter-weight championship of the club; four-round contest between William Cole and James McDonald; Andrew Schucker and Young Joe Walcott; boxing by F. Muller and Joe Miner, James Lucy and Gus Miller, Manuel Egan and Jerry Nyhen, Joe Bell and Thomas Murphy, Phil O'Meara and William Kenty, Gene Molligan and Harry McLaughlin; club-room exercises by Professors Walter Catcart and J. Dilgas; wrestling by Andy De Vos and Mr. Brill.

Page's sentence Postponed. The passing of sentence on ex-District Attorney James D. Page, who was convicted of embezzling the funds of an insane ward, was postponed by Judge Wallace yesterday until Friday next at the request of the defendant.

NEW TO-DAY. does not think it possible, but medical statistics have proven it so positively, it has become a recognized fact that one

One In every 4 persons has a weak or diseased heart. Not a day passes but the newspapers record the sudden death of prominent men and women from heart disease. This can easily be avoided if the earlier symptoms are fully realized and given attention. But it is never too late; the most dangerous cases even have yielded to treatment when given

Dr. Miles' Heart Cure. Book on heart and nerves. Address: DR. MILES MEDICAL CO., Elkhart, Ind.

DUCK-SHOOTING IS IMPROVING

Bagging Canvasback and Sprig on Tubbs Island, Near Sears Point.

Sonoma Papers Object to the Slaughter of Birds by Local Sportsmen.

A Day's Owing on the Black Jack Preserve Ponds Near Antioch.

Duck hunters should make the best of the present opportunity to secure a mess of birds on the marshes, as the next heavy rain will drive the broad-bills many miles from the bay to the grain fields of Southern California.

Canvasbacks still continue to patronize the grain-fields ponds on Tubbs Island, and sportsmen who have the privilege of shooting on the island are enjoying good sport.

In reference to the hunters from this city who shoot on the Sonoma marshes the Sonoma News of November 19 says:

Last Saturday evening a club of thirty men came up on the Donahue train to the Sonoma marshes and returned Monday morning loaded with game. They pay no tax on every nonresident hunter of not less than \$5 or \$10 each season, and provide for the punishment of every violation of the order. This is not only justice to our own hunters, but is absolutely necessary to preserve the game from extermination.

Last Sunday morning L. Romer and Attorney Gallagher of this city visited the Suisun marshes and while sculling in one of the sloughs the boat upset, pitching its occupants into deep water. The hunters managed to reach shore, but they lost their ammunition and guns. The shooting-irons were discovered afterward by some of the Suisun divers.

The Black Jack Club had a gala outing last Sunday near Antioch, and although birds were not found as plentiful as the sportsmen "doubled up" expected some of the members did very well. Jimmy Maynard, who is possibly one of the most expert duck-shooters in the State, bagged twenty-nine birds, which included "cans," Black Jack, teal, widgeon and sprig. Fred Johnson "doubled up" with Maynard when he discovered that at each shot the feathers carried away the meat.

Mr. Swaine shot only a few birds. He was on the wrong track also. In the early morning the sportsmen were digging their way in double-enders through the trails that led to the ponds, all of them, with the exception of two invited guests, known as Michael Angelo and Mr. Maynard, took water in grand fashion. Secretary Markland says that he will have club members who are afraid to stand up in their frail craft exercise at the Chutes each evening until they become expert poier.

THE DEFEAT OF BALTIMORE. The defeat of the Baltimores at the hands of the Gilt Edges in Sacramento Sunday has aroused much interest in baseball circles. It was deemed impossible for any of the local clubs to defeat the great National League players.

Billy Harris, the veteran player and manager, witnessed the game. In speaking of it he said last night: "Baltimore was squarely and fairly defeated. The game was played on its merits. Baltimore couldn't win, and that was all there is to it."

"Hughes pitched a great game, and the ball was hit into the players hands. There is nothing in the report that Hughes has been signed to play with the National League next season. I think, however, that he is a promising pitcher."

The game at Central Park drags its slow length along. The attendance is rapidly diminishing.

To-day All America and Baltimore play at Recreation Park, and to-morrow Baltimore meets Reliance.

The game should draw a crowd, as the public want to see local men go up against the crack Eastern players.

NEW TO-DAY. "SOLID—not Liquid!" Do not confuse "Cola this" and "Kola that" with Dr. Charcot's

Mila Nerveine Tablets made upon the prescription of the greatest doctor the world has ever known, Jean Martin Charcot (Paris). These tablets positively banish Nervous