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LACROSSE HAS HAD LONG HISTORY AS GAME

Late George Ham Once Player at Whitby, Ont. — Fredericton Knew the Game Thirty Yrs. Ago.

The Victoria, B. C., Times publishes a very interesting picture taken in the days when rivalry between white and Indian lacrosse teams was at its height. It shows a group of the players of the Six Nations Indians of Brant County and the Whitby, Ont., team. Almost 50 years have elapsed since the photograph was taken. The late Col. George Ham, who died recently in Montreal, was a member of the Whitby team, being at that time employed on a newspaper there. The original of illustration is the property of Mr. R. H. Jameson, organizer of the Whitby team, and now a resident of British Columbia. In connection with the picture The Victoria Times says:

"In speaking about lacrosse back in those days, Mr. Jameson says it was played in a gentlemanly way. The tactics so objectionable in recent days that of playing the man instead of the ball, were not known then. The ball was thrown from one player to another and the bunching of players was unknown. In the old days the sticks were much longer, as can be noted in the picture. There was more curve to the stick and the gutted part was much wider and provided a bigger 'bag'. The Six Nations Indians boasted a remarkable team under the direction of Capt. Bill. Every man could run like a deer. Games between the Indians and the white teams in Ontario attracted widespread interest. An effort is now being made throughout Canada to restore the national sport to favor. In Great Britain, Europe and the United States the game is going ahead in leaps and bounds, but in Canada it lost favor a few years ago. This was due to the slashing and cutting methods which were introduced. If strong men get behind the game and make determined efforts to keep the game clean and make the men play the ball instead of the man, the game should come back in Canada."

Only the old timers remember lacrosse in Fredericton. Upwards of thirty years ago an effort was made to introduce it here. Pat Pheelan of Montreal playing then with the Shamrock A. A. A. was transferred here as Dominion Express manager and introduced the game. Saint John also was interested. After a brief trial this distinctively Canadian game died out.

U. N. B. Class of '26 Strong In Athletics; Five Men Who Were on the College Teams

Paul Fraser Four-sport Man and Chip Seely Three-sport Man — Four Rugby Players, Two Hockey Players, Three Basketball Players and Two Track Men to be Graduated.

The Class of 1926 of the University of New Brunswick which is to be graduated on Thursday, is taking out of the university some of the best athletic material which ever wore the Red and Black. Four rugby football players, two hockey players, three basketball players and two track men are included. In several cases the same man figures in more than one sport. Paul W. Fraser of Saint John and H. Chipman Seely of Fredericton formerly of Saint John are the outstanding athletes of the class, Fraser being a four-sport man and Seely a three-sport man.

The rugby football players are Gordon M. McPhail of Woodstock, T. T. Odell of St. Andrew's Fraser and Seely. Fraser was the team captain, the greatest kicking back-field player who ever played with the Provincial University and one of the most effective all-round backs. Seely stood out by reason of his speed, as a wing three-quarter. The others are forwards.

The hockey players are F. Tracey Carten, of Fredericton captain and goal-keeper, and Fraser defence.

The basketball players are Fraser, McPhail and Seely all very effective and figuring more than one season on an intercollegiate championship team.

The track men are Fraser a pole-vaulter and Seely a sprinter.

It is doubtful if any U. N. B. class has in five men displayed the athletic ability which '26 has.

Wolfville, N. S., May 10.—That Acadia Amateur Athletic Association should apply to be re-admitted to the western section of the Intercollegiate League of the Maritime Provinces was the decision reached at a meeting of the association held here this evening. Discussion on this matter followed Acadia's recent withdrawal from the western section and her application for admission to the eastern section which was refused by the intercollegiate conference at Truro this spring.

The application for re-admission will probably be made at the intercollegiate conference to be held in the fall.

WESTERN PRO HOCKEY NOW A DOUBTFUL THING

Toronto, May 10.—Much difference of opinion is expressed in Western Canada newspapers over the prospect for pro hockey in that section of the Dominion. Some authorities believe that the professional exploitation of the game and the sale of the teams to Eastern interests will result in a setback from which it will take years to recover. They cite the experience of lacrosse, which is only now recovering slowly after being run into the ground by the pro leagues, East and West. Other Western authorities are of the opinion that there will be another pro hockey league in the prairie country next winter. It is doubtful, they say, whether the towns which have had pro hockey for some years will accept a second-class brand of the pro game after having the best for several seasons. That same doubt is what frightened off the promoters of the proposed Western Ontario pro league. The supporters of the game there accustomed to O. H. A. senior quality would not take hockey played by a lot of second-rate pros with their "mucked-up" rules, and that is one reason why the proposed imitation pro league "flivvered."

The Housewife's Spring Poem.

Oh, sweet springy days so bright and long,
Oh, twilight's scented gloom!
(My parlor rugs I must have cleaned
Before the violets bloom.)
'Tis time to throw dull care aside
And ask a truce of sorrow!
(How black my curtains seem to look!
I'll take them down tomorrow.)

The crocus lifts her golden cup
For soft, warm rains to fill
(Just look at all these fingerprints
On door and wall and sill!)
Today the swallows passed my door;
Soon, soon will come the thrushes!
(And that reminds me, I must buy
Two brand-new scrubbing brushes!)
—MRS. L. C. OBENCHAIN in
Chicago News.

It takes a lot of nerve for a little man to tell a big fellow just what he thinks of him.

Women are more artistic than men. At any-rate mighty few of them have to take lessons in painting.

NEW ZEALAND ATHLETE GOING TO ENGLAND

Randolph Rose Middle-Distance Runner — All His Races Have Been Run on Grass.

Toronto, May 10.—En route to England, where he will compete in the English championship track and field meet at Stamford Bridge on July 3, Randolph Rose, stellar middle-distance runner of New Zealand, and his manager, J. W. McHolme, arrived in Toronto. Rose will work out either on the University of Toronto Stadium track or at the Maple Leaf Stadium. He will proceed to New York, where he will sail on the Berengaria on May 12.

Rose has been requested to remain on tour in the United States for the summer, but will not alter his original plans. He is acting strictly according to the instructions of the New Zealand A. A. A. who have supplied the funds for his trip, and he is unable to say whether or not he will pass through the United States on his way home. It is not likely that he will compete on this continent, however, as he positively refuses to run indoors, and will not return to New Zealand until late in the fall.

All Rose's races have been run on grass, and it was not until he landed in Vancouver that he ran on a cinder track. He has held the Australian middle-distance honors for six years, but was not extended until Lloyd Hahn, United States star, visited the Antipodes recently. After losing the first of a five-match series, Rose scored four successive victories over Hahn, twice lowering the Australian mile record of 4:13 1/2, set by Jimmy Parr of Boston several years ago. The present record of 4:13 1/2 is, it is claimed, a world record for a mile on grass. Nurni holds the cinder track record of 4:10 2-5.

That hard competition such as he received from Hahn will improve his running is Rose's opinion. He is very anxious to secure a match race with Nurni, but has to date been unsuccessful. Further efforts will be made on his behalf while he is in England. Rose, who is 24 years old, is exceptionally tall for a runner. He gives his height at 6 feet 2 inches and his weight as 175 pounds. Although he has been sent as Rose's Manager, McHolme, who is the Australasian champion hammer thrower, will compete in the weight events at Stamford Bridge.

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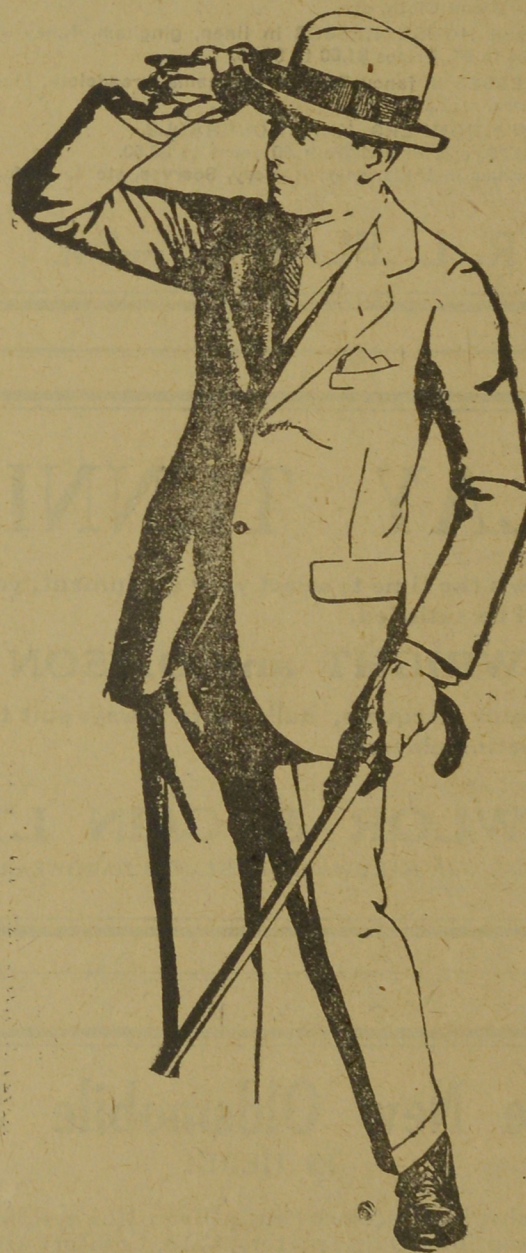
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