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NEWS OF SPORT

PROFESSIONAL BALL

TEAMS FOR HALIFAX

Standard and Resolutes Will Play With Imported Batteries—Good Prospect.

Halifax is bent on having professional baseball. The brand the citadel city is to have will not be semi-professional and amateurs and pros. will not play together. The teams very properly are to be professional in every sense of the word. Batteries are to be imported and very likely other players.

The Acadian Recorder says:

"Halifax will likely have professional ball this season. Most of those interested favor amateurs and professionals playing together, but there is no amateur body which will recognize such, and those who really wish to preserve their amateur standing will not take chances, and the others have about decided to play professional.

"Two teams will probably be formed, taking the old familiar names of the Resolutes and Standards. Many of the best players of last season's amateur league will likely be on the teams, and the intention is to import a pitcher and catcher, and probably a fielder. Then, as the season advances, if it is found that the game is a paying venture, other players are likely to be secured to fill any weak spots.

"Those interested do not favor the idea of a provincial league, as they feel the expense of travelling around would be too great, and like the hockey, if the teams did not happen to be in the front rank, they would lose money. The idea is to arrange a series of games in Halifax, and then play visiting teams exhibition games, and with some of them play home and home again. Pictou county promises to have good ball teams this year, and St. John will, as usual, have several strong nines.

"There is no doubt of the success of professional ball in Halifax, if it is run properly. The players must practice, they must commence games on time, and the players should play the games in a manner satisfactory to the public, the people on whom they depend to pay the salaries—in other words, they must play the games with as much system as in the leagues abroad, otherwise there will be but one result—failure. It is all up to the players themselves, the whole matter rests almost entirely in their hands. In securing outside players, it is hoped that an effort will be made to have at least one man on each team who will act as coach; we have good material, but they want to learn team work and how to hit the ball.

"With professional games, senior, amateur, intermediate and other leagues, the game should thrive hereabouts this summer."

The name Resolutes is well-known here. Dick Tibbitts broke into professional baseball on that team nine or ten years ago.

BIG FIGHT TRAINERS

Both Jeffries and Johnson will have the services of experienced trainers at their big fight.

Johnson has engaged Tommy Ryan the former middleweight champion, who taught Jeffries the scientific principles of fighting. Ryan and the boilermaker have been enemies for years, however, and the former in taking hold of the negro evidently seeks revenge.

Jeffries may have too many advisers in Corbett, Berger, Gotch, Armstrong and others, and there seems to be no doubt he will miss the veteran Billy Delaney, who seconded him in all his championship battles; but Jeffries possesses a cool head and is a famous ring general. He is a natural fighter and is stubborn in carrying out his own ideas. Johnson has shown good judgment, too, but whether he will get rattled under fire remains to be seen.

MORAN WON FROM BALDWIN

New York, April 5.—Owen Moran out-pointed Matty Baldwin of Boston, in a fast ten-round bout before the Fairmont A. C. tonight. The English boy floored Baldwin in the fourth with a right uppercut and held his advantage throughout. Baldwin was strong in the last two rounds, but the popular decision was Moran's by a good majority.

August Schmeizer of Meriden, Conn. wears a ring that is more than 300 years old, an heirloom of the Schmeizer family.

To guard against poisoning a law prevails in Germany to the effect that all drugs intended for internal use must be put up in round bottles, and those intended for external use must be put in hexagonal bottles.

NEW ENGLAND IS

GREAT HORSE COUNTRY

James Tranter Will Handle 'Down East' Auction at Readville Next Month—May 23 to 27.

Frank G. Trott in the Boston Globe says:

"James Tranter of the Fasig-Tipton sale firm is in Boston working on the Down East auction that is to take place at Readville next month. Tranter is a New England man, first, last and all the time when it comes to the horse business, and it was on his advice that the usual spring sale in Cleveland was abandoned so that he might give all his time to the Readville auction.

"Talk with Tranter and he will convince you that this is the real center of the horserworld outside of breeding. He will tell you that New England buys and races more horses, and breeds fewer in proportion to the number used, than any other section of the country; that he knows of 27 driving clubs with a total membership of 4575; that the world's record for an auction of trotting bred horses was made at Readville in 1904 when 368 head sold for \$229,235, an average of almost \$623, that the highest price ever paid for a trotting stallion was paid by a Massachusetts man; that the most money ever given for a brood mare was paid by a Boston man; that the highest price paid at the winter sale in New York was by a Massachusetts man for a racing prospect and then a lot more along the same line, such as at the midwinter sale 50 two-year-olds averaged \$616 and 43 of them were bought by eastern men.

"A session with Tranter, followed by one with Andy Welch, will dispel the clouds of the loudest wailing pessimist. Welch is overflowing with enthusiasm as to the future of New England as a racing ground.

"His announcement of the early closing program at Readville was about as welcome a bit of news as horsemen have had handed them in some time and they were not slow in letting the Readville manager know of it, which has made the future look all the brighter to him.

"This week he will make public the conditions which are to govern the Derby, the stallion championship, the Massachusetts and the other events which close next month."

McKNIGHT'S TEAM WON

ing what was probably the last game of basket ball for the season, was played at Beveridge Hall, Andover. The Calais basket ball team, one of the fastest quintettes in Maine, were the opponents of the home team. The game was fast and furious—there being little advantage either way the first period—score 22-16 in favor of Andover.

The second half was even better than the first, although the home team had all the best of it, getting in some good combination work and finishing with a safe lead—final score 45-24.

The visiting team who made a very favorable impression lined up as follows: McCurdy, Short and Murchie, Welch and McGargale. The home team lined up as for previous games with James, Porter and Curry. R. Curry referred, and gave entire satisfaction, calling very few fouls and handling the game well. (Note.—McKnight belongs to Fred-ericton and played with U.N.B. last year.)

DIAMOND DUST.

Nick Altroch has not yet put in an appearance with the Minneapolis Millers.

The Giants have made arrangements to train at Marlin, Tex., again next spring.

Bemis is being worked at first base occasionally by manager Jim McGuire of Cleveland.

Pittsburg will follow the Boston Nationals into Chattanooga for exhibition games this week.

Sec Knowles of the New York Giants is in good health again and will bring McGraw's team to Boston as usual April 14.

Bill Dahlen, while he doesn't expect to play regularly this year, is doing all his early season practising at third base instead of at shortstop.

Jesse Tannehill will wear a Minneapolis uniform this year, the old Boston lad having decided that organized ball is better than the independent game.

Chicago will use Frank Pfeffer, formerly of the Doves, in the box a lot this spring. He has succeeded Carl Lundgren as the Cubs' cold weather artist.

When the Chicago White Sox left El Paso, Tex., every player was presented with a sombrero hat. These will be worn in the flag parade at the South Side opening.

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Ottawa, April 5—According to information received by the marine department from the British admiralty the Rainbow and the Niobe, the cruisers which will form the nucleus of the new Canadian navy, will arrive in Canadian waters about the end of June. The Niobe will be stationed at Halifax and the Rainbow at Victoria.

The dominion legislative board of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers which has been in session here during the last few days, passed a resolution at its final sitting opposing the Belcourt bill in the senate, which seeks to prevent the interference of foreign labor union officials in Canadian labor disputes. Officers for the ensuing two years' term were elected as follows: Chairman of the board, Mr. Lawrence; vice chairman, John Dudley, of Battlebury (Sask.); and secretary, Byron Baker.

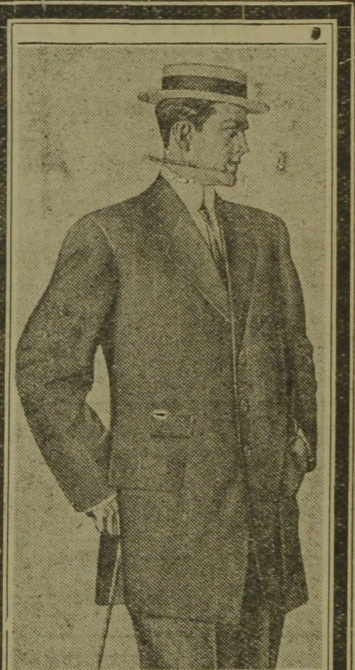
In connection with the principle of the Belcourt bill, it may be added that John Hendry, president of the Canadian Manufacturers' Association who is now in Ottawa, in an interview today, endorsed the principle of keeping American labor organizers out of Canada. He will present to the government on behalf of the association a request for some legislative action to prevent the undue interference of foreign labor officials in Canadian industrial affairs.

The organization of a field telegraph detachment to be attached to each field company of Canadian engineers is authorized.

FIRST MONOPLANE IN CANADA

Baddeck, C. B., April 5—Alexander Graham Bell's men have made a new departure at Baddeck, the first flight in a monoplane in Canada. The Hubbard drome, made nine successful flights today over the remaining ice in Baddeck Bay, carrying as aviators the designers of the machine, and Gardiner Greene Hubbard, of Boston.

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