

SEASONABLE SPORTS.

A Peep Into the World of Base Ball, Racing, Golf Bowling and Athletic Sports Generally.

BASE BALL.

NATIONAL LEAGUE.

Sunday Games.

At Pittsburgh—Pittsburgh, 0; Chicago, 5.
At Brooklyn—Brooklyn, 0; Philadelphia, 12.
At New York—Boston, 4; New York, 5.
At St. Louis—St. Louis, 4; Cincinnati, 13.

Sunday Games.

At Chicago—Pittsburgh, 3; Chicago, 1.
At St. Louis—Cincinnati, 1; St. Louis, 0.

EASTERN LEAGUE.

Sunday Games.

At Newark—Baltimore, 4; Newark, 2.
At Providence—Providence, 4; Jersey City, 2.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Saturday Games.

At New York—St. Louis, 8; New York, 6.
At Philadelphia—Cleveland, 1; Philadelphia, 2.
At Boston—Chicago, 12; Boston, 0.
At Washington—Detroit, 9; Washington, 3.

DISCOVERED "SPIT BALL."

The man who discovered the spit ball seldom uses it and the credit of the discovery has wrongfully gone to another. Ask the average baseball player who discovered the spit ball and he will tell you that Elmer Stricklett was the man. When the Brooklyn baseball team was quartered in Boston recently Stricklett was asked:

"How did you come to discover the spit ball, Mr. Stricklett?"

"By watching another man throw it," was the reply.

"You are given the credit for discovering the spit ball," persisted the writer.

"I know I am, but it is wrong. The man who discovered the spit ball was Frank Corridon, the Philadelphia pitcher. I saw him throwing it in practice and immediately set about to master it. After I had got the ball down fine Jack Chesbro saw me pitching it at Columbus, O., and he took it up. Just why Corridon never used the ball I don't know, unless he fears the effect on his arm."

"Then the spit ball does affect the arm?"

"It certainly does to this extent. I have lost the knack of throwing the other curves. The continued use of the spit ball builds up a set of muscles not called into play by the drop outcurve, and when a pitcher who has continuously used the spit ball seeks to use another style curve he finds his arm lacks the strength to impart the necessary twist to the ball to make it take the direction he desires. The spit ball is thrown with an overhand motion the fingers on the top and the thumb underneath, and not touching the seams of the ball. By freely moistening the first joint of the fingers the ball adheres to the thumb, which imparts the twist that forces it to 'break' suddenly just before reaching the plate. Other balls curve, but the spit ball breaks sharply, which makes it so difficult to hit. About the only way a batsman can beat the spit ball is to step to the end of the box and meet it before it breaks, otherwise he strikes almost at random at it. The ball 'breaks' down and in or down and out according to the amount of thumb pressure given to one side or the other."

Until this season "Happy Jack" Chesbro of the New York Americans has been regarded as the king of spit ball throwers, but something is the matter with his delivery this season and his effectiveness has been of a negative quality. Harry Howell of the St. Louis Americans, is probably the leading exponent of the spit ball this year, with Stricklett a close second. Chesbro's friends say he will be in his old-time form by the time the hot months roll around.

BASEBALL NOTES.

Pitcher Sudhoff, recently of Washington, is expected to join the Kansas City array.

The eight last games on the National league grounds in Chicago were won and lost by one run.

The Pittsburgh Press says there's a big reward hung up for the first player who confesses that a scorer knows how.

Think of "Jack" Chesbro giving three passes in a ninth inning and forcing in a winning run. That is what he did in Philadelphia on Monday.

The New York American says that President Hermann of the national commission is being scorched on all sides for his backdown in the Phelps matter.

Outfielder "Jack" McCarthy, with the Brooklyn this year, played with "Jimmy" Callahan's Chicago Logan Squares last Sunday, covering first base.

There is no doubt at all that Al. Schach will greatly strengthen the Providence team. It cost a lot of money to secure him, but "Pat" Powers war on hand with the money.

Haverhill has one of the most promising youngsters in the league in Right Fielder Madhen. He is a Pennsylvanian, is a left-hander and is very quick in the field and on the bases.

American Association batting: Kenne, Louisville pitcher, .462; Dan Green, .371; Hallman, .339; C. Carr, .335; Waldron and Frisk, .334; D. Sullivan, .330; Perrine, .324; S. Sullivan, .307; Rockenfeld and Cassaday, .306;

THE TURF.

READVILLE RACES.

Boston, July 9.—The great three-corner race between the champion trotters of America resulted in a victory for Sweet Marie. Wentworth led to the half in the second heat. The Readville race track results were as follows: Sweet Marie v. Wentworth and Tiverton—First heat, first quarter, leader Sweet Marie, time 33½; half, Sweet Marie, time 1 min. 5 sec.; third quarter, Sweet Marie, 1 min. 36 sec.; mile, Sweet Marie, 2 min. 7½ sec. Second heat—First quarter, leader Wentworth, time 31½ sec.; half mile, Wentworth, time 1 min. 3½ sec.; third quarter, Wentworth, time 1 min. 35½ sec.; mile, Sweet Marie, time 2 min. 7½ sec.

TENNIS.

MISS SUTTON LOSES TITLE.

Wimbledon, July 5.—May Sutton, of California, today lost the tennis championship of Great Britain, which she won last year, being defeated by Miss Douglass by 2-0. The scores were 6-3, 9-7.

The defeat of Miss Sutton by Miss Douglass, is not a surprise to the American followers of the game, that it might have been but for the Liverpool event of a month back. Miss Sutton was again beaten by the woman who has again come into her own, and there has since been a feeling that the same result would come out in the challenge round.

The year Miss Douglass had to play through the tournament in order to get to Miss Sutton, and she evidently thrived on the hard work entailed thereby. A year ago Miss Sutton played through and defeated Miss Douglass in the Challenge, so today's match was a case of getting square.

It is possible the year on Miss Sutton's age since she won the British championship has made her less able to stand the strain of such competition.

With the going back of the women's title to Miss Douglass, the only lawn tennis title which ever left England is safe in British hands again and like the others, is quite likely to stay there.

ACQUATIC.

FAIRLY BEATEN.

London, July 5.—Commenting on the Argonauts' defeat on Third Trinity, at Henley, the Standard says that everyone is sorry for the Canadians. They are good sportsmen to a man, and will always be welcome.

The Telegraph says that scarcely a single Englishman has been able to do what he did with the Cambridge crew against magnificently built opponents by far the strongest eight Canada has ever sent.

The Mail says that undoubtedly it was due to the efforts of Stuart that the mighty Argonauts were beaten. The Post says the pace of the stroke of the Canadians robbed them of all reserve for making the spurt which might have wiped out a few feet by which they lost.

The Tribune regrets that Canada, hot Belgium, had been vanquished. Even at Henley blood is thicker than water.

Captain Wright told the News that of course he was disappointed, but the crew was fairly beaten. They were coming back to lift the cup.

TWO TWIRLS OF TERROR.

This is the Startling Title of Barnum and Bailey's New Bicycle Thriller.

In its search for sensational novelities the Barnum & Bailey circus management seems to have surpassed all previous records this year. Instead of one "thriller" of an ultra-sensational character, several are announced, in addition to what is declared to be the best all-round circus that this big arena organization has ever offered the American public.

One of the newest sensations—and one that seems to have created a great deal of interest in other cities where the big show has been seen this season—is known as the "Two Twirls of Terror. A description of the two climaxes in this startling act

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The other brother takes a position mounted, at the end of a teeter-board thus depressing it. The first rider ascends to the apex of a high pedestal placed over the other end of the saw. When all is ready rider and bicycle drop with terrific force upon the near end of the teeter-board, sending the other bicyclist flying into the air. The latter also turns a somersault and landing safely, speeds down the track. Both exploits are sensational in the extreme, and the furor they create is tremendous.

Another of this year's sensations is known as "The Dip to Death." This is said to be an even more ambitious performance than the "Twirls of Terror," and as one New York paper recently expressed it, "it is doubtful if human ingenuity and daring can go further in devising acts that combine human and mechanical cleverness with a danger that just escapes being tragic." In the "Dip to Death," a young and pretty American girl daintily rides forty feet through the air in an inverted automobile. The act is thrilling in the extreme.

The Aerial Troupe presented by the Steves troupe; the Imperial Vicesse Troupe of Aerialists, the Florenz and Grunath families of acrobats; Josie Demott, the only lady somersault rider; a new "Peace" spectacle; all kinds of trained animal acts, and enlarged menagerie, and many other incidental diversions are promised for the big show when it exhibits here on Friday, June 27.

SHEEP RAISING.

They Are the Cheapest and Most Productive Animal on the Farm.

The following article, issued by the Secretary of the Society for the Encouragement of Sheep Raising in Nova Scotia will not be without interest in New Brunswick:

Following up the figures published recently evidencing the very great profits in sheep raising in Nova Scotia a few authoritative words on the industry come in well as so many farmers especially, are increasing their flocks and those who have not heretofore kept sheep are taking them on.

A practical, successful expert in sheep raising asserts that sheep thrive best and give best results in their own premises, about forty or fifty. When sheep are run in large numbers together, disease and vermin seem bound to creep in with disastrous results, those going into sheep raised on a very big scale are advised to keep one sheep separated into small flocks.

The most profitable, hardy, all-round sheep for Nova Scotia are the Standard English mutton breeds, as they produce excellent mutton, and also yield large quantities of best quality wool. In any case sheep are even cheaper to keep than the profitable steer, but on most farms, where there are spare fields, that sheep can run in, their keep is reduced to a minimum of almost nothing. Their benefit to a field by way of bringing it into fertility more than over-balances the little feed that they require during the hardest winter months. Sheep, too, are of untold value on a field as an enemy to weeds and especially are they successful in keeping down the destructive "stinking willie" that is lately making its appearance in this province.

There is one menace to this most profitable industry that must be stamped out. In some few places wild animals are troublesome, but without exception all over the province the dog is the worst enemy of progress in sheep raising. In almost every instance, too, it is the good-for-nothing dog often owned by irresponsible and under existing laws, it

DUKE REACHED THE SUMMIT.

Mount Ruvenzori Had Never Been Climbed Before.

Rome, July 7.—King Victor Emmanuel recently received a telegram from the Duke of Abruzzi, a cousin of his Majesty, filed at Uganda, Central Africa, announcing that on June 18 he had succeeded in reaching the summit of Mount Ruvenzori, which had never been climbed.

The mountain is situated between Albert Nyanza and Albert Edward Nyanza, and is about 8,000 feet above the level of the sea.

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