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LOCAL BASEBALL OPENING TO-DAY

Kingston Seniors and Hussars Will Hold Forth This Afternoon in Exhibition.

This afternoon the local baseball season will be ushered in at the cricket field when the Kingston C.O.B.L. team, senior O.B.A.A. class, will meet the 4th Hussars of the Kingston City League, Intermediate O.B.A.A. class in an exhibition game.

Both these teams have been working out steadily since the snow left the ground and some of the Hussars had winter loosening up at the indoor baseball. Just how the teams will shape up is not yet known. The Hussars should be fairly strong in fielding but are weak in the pitching end of the game and Curran may have to bear the whole brunt of the game. Behind the bat for them will be Brkeland, and Oscar Fenning may be down to the city in time to relieve Curran for a few innings. There is also a possibility that Art Lewis may be in the box for the Hussars for a while.

On first sack will be Gourdier, Nickle at second, Teeple at short and Jimmy Arnell at third, with Baker and Harry McNeill ready to take places in either infield or outfield. McCullough, Blomely, Watts and possibly Matt Coyne will form up the outfield for the Hussars, and the city leaguers will be resident in their new uniforms.

For the Kingston seniors the line-up is harder to guess. There will be Johnnie Evans and Rice behind the bat, Gallagher on the mound with perhaps some relief. Daley at first, Twigg or Walsh at second, Spoor or Evans at short and Harry Batstone at third. For the outfield there will be Cherry, Harold Nicholson, Squires and possibly some others.

The game should be a good one and will draw a crowd of fans out to look over the opposing teams. It will certainly be a good pre-season workout for both teams.

COBB AND SPEAKER STILL THE GREATEST

When Ty Cobb slid into home plate at Navin Field the other day he lost his cap and there were many observations on the fact that Cobb has lost enough hair to put him in the new bald class.

If Tris Speaker dolls his cap during the series spectators will discover that his hair is gray.

Cobb and Speaker are advancing in years but day after day they are still in centre field, two of the greatest outfielders of all time and the best two the American League has seen in the last 15 seasons. Both have slowed up a bit but both will have to slow up a great deal more before they drop to par. Players of the Cobb-Speaker type have a long way to go when they start going back.

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FORMER EQUINE CRIPPLE NOW A DERBY FAVORITE

Prince K, a gift horse and once rated as a hopeless cripple, has a good chance of winning America's most prized turf feature—the 1923 Kentucky derby.

Prince K once graced the elite stable of George D. Widener, millionaire sportsman of Philadelphia. But Prince K had very bad ankles and appeared a derelict on the thoroughbred market.

Louis Marshall, Kentucky turfman and good friend of Widener, happened to visit the Widener farm. Widener asked Marshall what he would give for the well-bred Prince K.

Marshall laughed. "Not a dime," he told Widener, "I wouldn't have him for a gift." "Tell you what you do," Widener said, "take the colt and give me \$500 out of the first purse he wins—if he ever wins a race."

Thus again is exemplified the unending industry for Prince K last year—his first on the turf—won ten races and \$14,661, more than all Widener's horses won the past two years!

Marshall punch-fired and blistered Prince K's ankles and the colt is going sound. He is working so well for the derby many believe he has a royal chance to win that big event.

ENGLISH STADIUM SEATS OVER 126,000 SPECTATORS

Arguments about Wembley Stadium, scene of the recent English soccer cup final, and a hubbub over a poor crowd control are here settled. It accommodates 126,500 spectators, which is almost twice the capacity of the famous Greek stadium at Athens, and is considerably larger than either the Yale or Harvard stadiums. This huge arena is literally a stadium in the Greek and Roman sense of the term, an oblong without corners.

The site was cut out of a hillside on an old golf course. The turf is exceptionally fine, being suited not only for football but also for baseball, cricket and lawn tennis. On first view it suggests a modern vision of the Colosseum of Rome, with vistas of a cleaner sport activity than that ancient shambles afforded.

The stadium is only 15 minutes from London. It will be the scene of American-British lawn tennis matches and national cricket and football games. A large lake within the enclosure will be used for international swimming contests.

GOING TO RETIRE.

Johnny Kilbane Says Criqui and Dundee Fights Are His Last. Johnny Kilbane is planning to retire from the ring. This became known definitely when he issued a formal statement in which he declares that if he is successful in his bout with Eugene Criqui for the world's featherweight championship at the Polo Grounds on June 2nd, he will box Johnny Dundee and then hang up his gloves for all time.

The statement also divulged the fact that Kilbane seriously was considering his retirement when Matchmaker Tom O'Rourke entered into negotiations with him for a bout with Dundee, and subsequently for a bout with Criqui.

Kilbane issued the statement in order to explain how he came to accept the bout with Criqui. He first agreed to a match with Dundee for early in May. That was last January, but he asserts that O'Rourke later notified him that Dundee refused to contract for a match at that time. It was then that the Criqui match was proposed.

In the same statement Kilbane took occasion to thank the license committee Association for granting him a license to box in this state.

HARD ON CHRISTY.

Christy Mathewson, who was at Saranac Lake for many months undergoing treatment for tuberculosis and who was pronounced cured, has had to return there. The duties of president of the Boston Braves proved too great a strain on "Big Six," and it is doubtful if he will be able to continue in that office, much as all lovers of baseball would like to have him there.

There can be no friendship without confidence and no confidence without integrity.

BRINGING UP FATHER

SIR MUGH KIDDUM IS GOING TO SPEND THE WEEK END WITH US AND HIS INFLUENCE IN DEPARTMENT AND RESPECTMENT WILL BE A GREAT HELP TO YOU. I DON'T WANT TO BE LIKE HIM.

NOW, FATHER, YOU LISTEN TO SIR KIDDUM'S REMARKS. ARE VERY INTERESTING!

GO AHEAD AND SHOOT.

BREAKING OFF SHOOTING. I SPENT QUITE A BIT OF TIME IN INDIA. THE HABITS OF THE PEOPLE ARE NOT INTERESTING.

JUST A MINUTE. DID YOU EVER SHOOT DICE?

COME. SEVEN. BABY WANTS SHOES. I AM LEARNING THE GAME QUICKLY. AM I NOT, MR. JIGGS?

By GEORGE McMANUS

SPORT SNAP SHOTS

In a newspaper of another town we see two little items nesting side by side and they may cause confusion in the minds of some who do not know the solution. One of them says that "Punch" Derry will be out with the Cobourg team for its first game on Saturday and the other that Mr. Bert "Punch" Derry, formerly of Kingston, has accepted a position in Detroit. However, Bert is the younger brother of Norman, the Cobourg Pitcher, and as for the "Punch"—well the whole family gets that.

Commodore Judge Wills of the Bay of Quinte Yacht Club is the possessor of a new yacht which he has purchased from a Kingston party. The yacht is the "Thistle"—now in Kingston other than Dr. Bruce Taylor would have a yacht called the "Thistle." The craft will be a valuable addition to the Belleville fleet.

Dancing is tame but when Lee Harman, of Houston, Texas, roller-skated fifty hours to the championship of the world he was going some.

Toronto Strollers and Cobourg are playing an exhibition game at Cobourg this afternoon.

According to a report from Oshawa, Catcher Tyson, who left that place to try out with a southern league team, has not returned to Oshawa as reported. Tyson has always had an ambition to play pro ball and has the ability if he keeps at it.

The Napanee Golf Club has secured the services of H. Robinson as professional for the coming season. Mr. Robinson, a pupil of the well-known Percy Barrett, late of Lambton and Western Clubs, won the 1923 tournament for pro's assistants and comes to Napanee well recommended. During the season he will alternate between Napanee and Picton, spending half a month with each club.

Must have been a big surprise to Frank Moran when that University of Chicago laid him out for the count in the Montmartre cafe in Paris. Some person should take that freshman in hand and teach him scientific boxing, for a clout is always valuable—and if a boxer is to be a top-notch it is necessary.

The first local regular scheduled game will be that between Park Nine and Hillrocks on Monday night, starting the ball rolling in the junior section of the City Baseball League. These boys have been practising faithfully and should put up a nice performance in spite of the very early start that is being made.

One day the home-town's swell ball team wins and the next day their rotten ball team loses. That's the way of the sporting world.—Ottawa Citizen.

Spring has arrived in Kingston eight different times in 1923. We hope it takes winter that long to come again.

ENGLISH LACROSSE TEAM.

Coming to Canada to Play a Series of Games. Frederick Neyland, president and captain of the Oxford university lacrosse team which will tour Canada next summer and will visit Hamilton, writes to say that his team will sail on July 13th and that the majority of the players are Canadians. The first match will be played at Quebec on July 24th and three or four matches will be played each week during August, the touring ending early in September in Ontario. In his letter he says:

"In conjunction with Prof. Cox, of Syracuse, I have been endeavoring to establish international lacrosse events each year. I have arranged eight games for Syracuse in England between June 4th and 19th. Next year we hope to be able to arrange a tour for a Canadian team in England.

"Most of the team coming out will be from Oxford, as was the case with

the last tour. Oxford have not lost a match this year. Defeated Cambridge 18-3 on March 1st, and on March 3rd won the championship of the south of England. On May 5th, at Manchester, we play Stockport, the northern champions, for the championship of England."

McGILL TO APPOINT AN ATHLETIC MANAGER

McGill University will shortly appoint to the committee of the Athletic Board of Control, which was recently formed to supervise all athletic activities, an athletic manager, to act as secretary and executive officer. The post in question will be an entirely new one, so far as McGill is concerned. The man appointed will have all the athletic affairs of the university under his direct supervision and will be a regular staff member of the Department of Physical Education.

As it is at present constituted, the Department of Physical Education is comprised of four main divisions. First, there is the School of Physical Education, where teachers of physical education are given a two-year course; there is the department which looks after all the required work for the undergraduates of the first and second years in all faculties; the health service, through which the university keeps watch over the health of all undergraduates by means of medical examination, consultation and treatment, and the division which concerns itself with all intramural and intercollegiate athletics. It is the last-named department which was recently reorganized.

BASEBALL BOOMS.

Down in Montreal—Expect a Record Season. Today there are more professional ballplayers in Montreal than there ever have been at any one time.

President Joe Page of the Eastern Canada Baseball League is authority for the statement that between 60 and 80 men of the diamond are on hand today turning out with three teams of the Eastern circuit, Royals, Canadians and Quebec, which are practising in this city before the season's start.

It looks as though there might be a real revival in the game this season.

Good Night Stories by Blanche Stone

Dicky Sees a Queer-Looking Laundry

Dicky kicked the dirt with an angry frown on his face when his mother called him home from the ball game to take the clothes to the laundry.

"It's always that way," he complained. "Every time I get busy I have to stop and go to that crazy old laundry."

"That reminds me of a funny sight I saw once," laughed a voice close to his ear. Dicky turned to find Goochback, the travel elf, standing at his side.

"Oh, hello there, Goochback!" Dicky's face at once lost its frown. "Where was that?"

"Why, in Madrid," replied Goochback. "There they have the queerest laundries you ever saw. But, behave! I could stand here all day telling you about them and you'd forget all about it. So come along and you'll agree with me, I'm sure." Before Dicky could ask any questions at all, he found him-



"It's Always That Way."

self standing on the bank of the Manzanares river with Goochback.

Women were kneeling on the bank scrubbing their clothes, while out in the very centre of the river bed, where the water had ebbed out, they had spread out the clothes to dry.

"Some laundry," whispered Dicky. "The one we take our wash to is bad enough, but goodness, this is funny."

"Yes, just imagine your mother bringing, or better, imagine yourself trudging here every wash-day with the washing, and your mother down on the ground trying to wash it," laughed Goochback. "I'm quite sure you'd want to move back to America where they have buildings and people just for that work."

Just then Dicky's attention was called to a goatherd, wrapped in his mantle, stalking straight ahead, never casting an eye at the goats that trotted on alone back of him.

A woman got up from her washing, walked out to the herd and milked one of the goats, then let it go again.

The herdsman never even saw it and of course no one told him. "That's the funniest thing I ever saw," Dicky laughed. "Imagine any one in our country doing that."

Dicky was so busy watching the goats that he didn't see the stone in the road, and when he struck it with his toe, down he tumbled, and like magic, Spain, with all its funny, interesting sights, vanished, and Dicky once more found himself out in his own backyard.

"I'll tell you right now," he laughed, "you'll never hear me complaining about our laundry again, Goochback, thanks, to you."

Bidding the elfn good-bye, he ran into the house and carried the clothes to the laundry for his mother, and as he hurried along, he just couldn't help comparing the two laundries.

Statuette of a Saint to Grace Automobiles

Paris, May 5.—Every motor car henceforth should have its statuette of St. Christopher, the patron saint of motorists.

John Vincent Ison, charged with arson, at London, Ont., claims he started thirty-eight fires in that city.

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of sportsmen on the radiator cap, says the Duchesa D'Uzes, who has given her approval of a design which is being turned out ere by the tens of thousands to be ready for Summer tourists. Shristopher was a Syrian martyr of the third century, renowned for his prodigious feats of strength. John Vincent Ison, charged with arson, at London, Ont., claims he started thirty-eight fires in that city. The bravest are the tenderest, the loving are the daring. Some think they are done when they are really only beginning.

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