

A REVIEW OF INTERNATIONAL ATHLETICS

ONE of the most interesting features of the 1901 season of sports will be the various international contests. Competitions have been arranged in practically every branch of sport, and many Europeans will come over in the effort to humble American pride.

The games between America and England attract most of the attention. American-English contests are often productive along certain lines of the best exhibitions of athletic prowess, for John Bull's sturdy boys and Uncle Sam's plucky representatives always do their best when pitted against each other.

A spirit of true sportsmanship has always pervaded the international games. There have never been any serious differences between the men of the different countries represented. This is another good reason why the holding of such athletic meets should be encouraged.

To the courteous treatment of American athletes in England and the like reception of Britons on this side of the water is largely due the present "era of good feeling."

The Henley regatta of 1901 will be hotly fought. The picked crew from the University of Pennsylvania that is to represent the stars and stripes in the historic English rowing race will doubtless "cut a big figure" in settling the international premiership. The crews from abroad are strong opponents, but Coach Ellis Ward of the Quaker eight is hopeful.

The Pennsylvania rowers have done some creditable work in the previous races. Their form has given rise to many sanguine predictions. True, they did not defeat the Annapolis crew by a very large margin, but the naval cadets were unusually good, and the arrangement of the Pennsylvania crew was merely an experiment on the part of Ward. Reports from the Quaker headquarters state that the crew has in practice beaten on the Schuylkill beaten the Henley record by several seconds.

A large aggregation of Britons will come here to enter the Pan-American international games at Buffalo. Dennis Hogan, the famous Irish athlete who defeated Richard Sheldon of Yale in the shot put last year, will lead the team.

Sheldon and Hogan had a battle royal in Ireland, but the American was forced to succumb. Sheldon is confident that he will "put it all over" the Celt when they come together again.

Associated with Hogan in the honor of upholding the colors of Great Britain will be James Mangan, who holds the English record for putting the heavy stone and (for height) in putting the 56 pound shot. Patrick O'Connor, a prominent broad jumper who is ambitious for world's honors; Patrick Leahy, champion of Great Britain in the running high jump; James Chandler, the premier of British athletes in the standing jumps, and J. C. Hays, a long distance runner.

Yale and Harvard have arranged dual games with Cambridge and Oxford. The matches will be decided on Berkeley oval, New York, the scene of the recent American intercollegiate athletic carnival. The date was the subject of much controversy, but Sept. 21 was finally appointed.

Yale and Harvard were defeated by the English universities in 1899. From the present outlook the Americans have a good chance to wipe out this stain on their escutcheon.

Only those eligible to enter the intercollegiate sports of 1901 are qualified to take part in the coming meet. The programme will be somewhat shorter than that of 1899. The English athletes rejected the proposition to increase the number of events from 9 to 11 because the pole vault and the 220 yard hurdles are not included in the list of sports in their universities. The three mile run in the 1899 programme has been changed to a two mile run. The Englishmen

view as a further objection to an increase the extra expense which a larger track team would entail.

Before coming to the United States the English cricketers will enter a series of competitions in Canada with the Toronto and the McGill universities.

The American-English tennis tournament is another event of transatlantic moment. The British team suffered a severe trouncing on this side of the pond last year. S. W. Hilliard, H. S. Smith and the famous Liberty brothers, champions of England, however, have succeeded Gore, Black and Barrett. They will use every art and dodge in their repertoire to reverse the result.

The international tennis matches will be held during the first week in August on St. George's cricket grounds, Hoboken, N. J.

International rifle and trap shooting will flourish as "the green bay tree" this season. A team of some of the best American cranks recently arrived in England and have entered the foreign tournaments.

Just before leaving this country, William R. Crosby of O'Fallon, Ill., one of the members of the team, broke two world's records in live bird shoots. Crosby in the shoot-off for the Dupont trophy at Springfield, Ill., killed 110 birds straight. He next increased this score to 145 straight.

Mayor Thomas A. Marshall of Keithsburg, Ill., the captain of the American trap shot aggregation, is one of the best marksmen in the United States. He has captured first place twice in the Grand American. He is the right man to lead the team.

Preparations for the international rifle shooting tournament to be held at Sea Girt, N. J., Aug. 30 to Sept. 7 are well under way. Information has been received from the officers of the National Rifle association that the candidates for the Irish team have already begun training. A distinguished party, including the Marquis of Dufferin and Sir Henry Thyme, will accompany the representatives of the Emerald Isle.

Sir Thomas Lipton, who will have preceded the team to this country, will meet the party in New York and accompany it to Sea Girt. In a recent interview Sir Thomas said, "We hope to take back with us not only the American cup, but the best of the prizes offered by the American riflemen as well." But then Sir Thomas has a reputation as a joker.

The Canadian shooters are to bring with them several shots of note. Little known of the Swiss team that is coming except that it won the world's championship at Paris last summer. The Swiss experts will bear watching.

The result of efforts to bring the Argentine team from Buenos Ayres on an American war vessel is still in doubt, as no vessel of the south Atlantic squadron will be coming up about the time the South Americans would have to sail.

The American team is not to be gathered until next month. Work among those who are candidates has already begun.

Expert riflemen connected with the national guard of any state are invited to try for places on the American team and are expected to practice on their home ranges, which must have facilities for 500, 900 and 1,000 yard shooting.

General Bird W. Spencer of Passaic, N. J., is managing the big competition. The coming of the foreign teams has spurred the different states to make special efforts to send men to Sea Girt. Up to date New York, Massachusetts, Maine, Rhode Island, the native state of E. C. Griffith, winner of this year's Grand American Handicap; Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, District of Columbia, New Hampshire, Illinois, Vermont, Michigan, Connecticut, Ohio, Tennessee and Minnesota have definitely decided to be represented.

The United States naval authorities



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JULIA MARLOWE'S SUCCESS AS MARY TUDOR.

Miss Julia Marlowe's success as Mary Tudor in Paul Kester's dramatization of Charles Major's novel, "When Knighthood Was in Flower," has been phenomenal, and it is not likely that the talented actress will use any other vehicle next season. Whatever may be said of the play, it cannot be denied that Miss Marlowe makes the headstrong and somewhat shrewish sister of Henry VIII an altogether lovable character. Aside from Mrs. Minnie Madden Fluke, the American stage has no greater actress than Miss Marlowe, and what is more, her eminence has been attained by innate ability allied to conscientious effort.

have determined to send a team to compete for the Hilton trophy. This will be the first time the navy has been represented at the international shoot.

It is a significant fact that American horse owners and jockeys in England have been benefited by Dame Fortune's smiles this season. The snappy young riders Johnny and Lester Relf have an imposing array of winnings to their credit. Their career might well be termed phenomenal. Clem Jenkins and Danny Maher, who rode for August Belmont here last year, have been doing good work on the English turf. Truly the American style of riding, ridiculed at first by England's horsemen, has been signally vindicated.

Tod Sloan's failure to get a license this year from the Jockey club of England has caused that dapper little fellow to harbor a grudge against the Britons. Todhunter did a great deal for the English running turf. His "seat" has been imitated by scores of foreign jockeys, and in many cases a marked improvement in their piloting has resulted.

Among the American stable keepers across the deep and briny Richard Croker and Pierre Lorillard seem to have been recipients of the major part of the plaudits.

Golf is one of the transatlantic sports that is not above the average this year. The Scotch pastime is booming in all places where it is known, but there seems to be absolutely nothing in sight in an international line. Vardon and Taylor, the two great English exponents of golf, were both in the United States a year ago. Their many engagements in England this year prevent their taking the trip.

International cycle racing has experienced a pronounced revival. The Jacquelin-Taylor contests aroused much interest. Taylor's recent defeat of the French rider bore out the opinion generally held in America that, despite Jacquelin's first victory, the "majah" was beyond question the faster rider.

Charles W. Miller, the long distance cycling champion of the world, now on the continent, sends word that his season's success is assured by reason of the many 24 hour and long distance road races he has engaged ahead.

Apocryphal of Tom Linton's trip to America Miller says: "The Welshman is in better form than has been the case for a long time. He is in a veritable second childhood. He will make

American pedal pushers stretch their legs."

George Chrisp, who recently won the heavyweight championship of England, is evidence of the fact that in pugilism Americans outrank the British class for class. It took Jack O'Brien, the mediocre Philadelphia, but 11 rounds to put Chrisp "down and out" recently at Newcastle. Chrisp was regarded in England as a coming man. Some of his backers thought so much of him as to seek a match with Kid McCoy. O'Brien is many steps from the championship mark when compared with other pugilists of his class.

Kid Parker of Denver is a new seeker for transatlantic glory. Parker, who is on his way to England, says, "I will meet their best lightweight if they will put up enough of the coin." Parker's style of fighting is not unlike McGovern's. He usually rushes his man and smashes him. He is 24 years old and is 5 feet 6 inches tall. He has knocked out Jack Daly of Wilmington, fought a ten round draw with Matty Matthews and beaten scores of western lightweight.

A new coaching club, international in its membership and scope, was formed in New York a short time ago. It bears the title of the American coaching club. Among the well known whips who are interested are Lemuel E. Wells, New York; S. McGraw Wright, Philadelphia; Sir Thomas Gooch, Bart, London, and R. A. Kip, South Orange, N. J.

A feature of the present polo season will be the attempt of the American players to win back the American cup captured several seasons ago by a picked team of British players. The Americans will select a crack team, and a series of matches will be arranged to be fought out on the international field at Hurlingham. The game of polo is comparatively new in this country when the foreigners, aided by their well trained ponies, carried away the vase. The American poloists will sail for the other side in July.

FREDERICK R. TOOMBS.

A SUCCESSFUL TOUR.

The tour of Louis James and Kathryn Kidder, which recently closed, was the most profitable one ever made by these stars. It is said, and it is probably true, that Wagenhals & Kemper, their managers, have made \$60,000 on the season.

The home coming of Jacob Schaefer, "the wizard," seems to have "thrown a scare" into the billiard cranks of the United States. Schaefer is now in Chicago "looking the landscape over," but nothing in the shape of big game for his magic cue has as yet come within striking distance.

When in New York, directly after his return from Paris, Schaefer tried to get into the billiard parlors. He was refused admittance. Schaefer then said: "I offered Sloson several inducements, but he passed them by. He is too busy with his billiard rooms to play match games. Well, after all, I guess there's more money in that end of it."

While in Paris Schaefer found a large number of foreign cue manipulators who imagined that they knew something about carams, mases and "round the table" shots. They proved "easy meat" for "the wizard." Their golden shekels will help pay the crack billiardist's household expenses.

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NOW that the dispute between Thomas W. Lawson, the Boston millionaire, and the New York Yacht club relative to the sailing of the Independence in the trial races to decide the defender of the America's cup has cleared away, some definite idea as to just what may be expected may be had. Lawson's final acquiescence in the yacht club's proposition that he charter the Independence to some member of the organization was the only logical action for the millionaire to take. The deed of gift made the club's position absolutely in accordance with the conditions under which the cup is held. Any fault that is found with the N. Y. Y. C. therefore should be laid to the provisions of the deed of gift.

The certainty of the Independence's taking part will add materially to the interest in the preparations for the international races. The outcome of the contests between the Herreshoff built Constitution and the Boston Independence will excite almost as much comment in the United States as the result in the major matches with Sir Thomas Lipton's Shamrock II.

Of course, prophecies at this early stage are more or less uncertain. Neither of the American boats has done an amount of sailing sufficient to prove a thorough test. Changes in rig, crew and general accoutrement will necessarily be instituted as the season advances and the faults and advantages of present arrangements are proved.

From a careful summing up of the America's cup situation the "balance of power" seems to be with the Constitution. Her lines are decidedly more impressive than those of the Independence. With a strong wind abeam, the Constitution should be able to literally walk away from Designer Bowdoin B. Crowninshield's product. The pronounced rounded bilge of the Independence should make her speedy in wind and wing tactics, but in windward work, which quality constitutes the actual speed value of a vessel, the bottom, flattened from bilge to keel, will not be conducive to "lying close," the ability required to hold the America's cup.

The Constitution ought to defeat the Independence decisively. Herreshoff's beyond doubt the man best qualified to build a cup winner. Year after year the Herreshoff family has succeeded in designing craft capable of outdoing their predecessors, which in their own time were more than capable of out-sailing the yachts of England's best experts. Designer Nat has had the benefit of immediate association with the methods and theories evolved by his father and grandfather, which, combined with his own experience in building successful cup defenders, should result in the production of the highest type of the modern racer.

A strictly nonpartisan view of the contest with the Shamrock II presents the conclusion that the Englishmen have no possible chance of "lifting" the cup. Either of the American vessels can very probably defeat Sir Thomas' craft.

Considered part by part, the Shamrock II is invested with several features of the Columbia. She does not seem to have any feature so strikingly new as to occasion much conjecture as to her record breaking possibilities. The Shamrock II carries an enormous spread of sail, but her hull is a trifle tubby forward. She is round in the bows, and her bobstays are set lower than has ever been the case in an American cup defender.

The unfortunate dastardly of the Shamrock II and the consequent postponement of the date of the first race to Sept. 21 will prolong the American victory season materially. Captain Sycamore was probably carrying too heavy a head of sail when the accident occurred. The need of the proverbial "eye to wind" was never more plainly illustrated.

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About Chicago and St. Louis the trout are fine this year. Good sized trout are the rule rather than the exception in many regions. Maine trout and salmon have generously rewarded anglers. From the reports—guaranteed to be true, of course—of some of the guides of the True Free State trout, salmon and salmon trout have



JACK HOFFMAN, UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA.

Jack Hoffman is one of the best all around track and field athletes in the west. In sprints, the high jump and pole vault he has done admirably well. Many of the knowing ones predict that the California crack will be a second Kraenzlein.

I ain't stuck on boin at the head of my class. I'd rather be a private citizen any time.

"If either Shankey or Ruhlins fails to lick me, it won't make any difference. I'm done."

"I've made money dealin in stocks. If my luck keeps on, I'll have a fortune before the year is out. I would like to retire undefeated, and I rather guess I will. But if I am to get licked I'd rather see Ruhlins do the trick than any one else."

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RIALTO GOSSIP.

W. A. Brady has made the declaration in Chicago that within a year or so he will have theaters of his own in New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago. "I am not looking for a fight with the theatrical syndicate," he says, "but I want to be independent in the big cities, and I shall be." Mr. Brady has ordered a new play from Mr. Clyde Fitch, to be ready next autumn for a New

York production, and he has also decided upon a big revival of "The Two Orphans."

Clyde Fitch is to write the book and probably the lyrics for a musical piece for Miss Anna Held. The music will be by Reginald De Koven.

Henry W. Savage says of "King David," the new opera recently produced at the Studebaker theater, Chicago: "I

have decided not to keep my company continuously in St. Louis and Chicago next season. St. Paul, Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Kansas City, Omaha, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh and one or two other cities will be visited for brief seasons."

George Henry Trader, who recently played Pittacus Green in "Hazel Kirks" with the Spectacular Stock company of Brooklyn, has severed his connection with the play bureau of the Actors' society and will in the future devote his

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