

In the World of Sport.

WHATEVER else he may be the average American is two things—he is a politician and a sportsman. Whether he makes either of these branches of activity a business or a pastime, the American citizen of average tendencies will pay considerable attention to one or both of them, no matter what other courses his life may pursue. The sporting interests of American life are increasing day by day. England once rightfully boasted that she was supreme in every line of gentlemanly sport whether competitive or solely recreative and no competitive, but of late years Britain has been forced into a practically ludicrous second place through what the leading authority in America terms "athletic degeneracy."



HASKINS, ONE ARMED GOLFER. America takes first place in the world's sporting life and the present period of the year marks the high water mark of each year's operations. It is now that the major leagues' baseball campaigns draw the biggest crowds, except the world's championship series. It is now that the baseball pennant races are most bitterly fought. The national tennis championships and national rowing races are topics of the hour. Interest in forthcoming golf championships is at fever pitch. Swimmers strive to smash world's records. The most valuable horse races of the year are being run. Football coaches and captains are forming plans for their fall campaigns. Yacht racing is enthusiastically followed.

One of the most sensational developments of the season has been the



HAYES AT THE MOMENT HE FINISHED THE MARATHON RACE.

of a young New York dry goods clerk to the honor of being hailed as the greatest long distance runner in the world. This lad is John J. Hayes of New York, winner of the Marathon race in the Olympic games in London. Hayes need not work for his living during the remainder of his life unless he absolutely insists on so doing. He is the candy kid of Uncle Sam's family of good boys. Twice thirteen, or twenty-six, is Hayes' lucky number. He wore No. 26 in the race, covered twenty-six miles from Windsor castle to the finish line in the stadium, and some day he will be twenty-six years old if he lives.

When Queen Alexandra presented Hayes with a gold cup at the stadium the lad was so nervous and excited that he slipped and almost fell head long down the steps of the royal box. Who ever heard of a one armed golfer who was of real championship caliber or who was of any caliber at all? List to this story of a one armed Englishman who has beaten a score of supposed two armed stars. Haskins, the professional at the Hoylake links, is the man, and he makes the novel claim of being the one armed champion of the world, though Ivor Botcazon, professional at the La Beulis links, is reported to have beaten him. Haskins has covered the difficult Hoylake course in 78. Haskins makes some remarkably long drives, considering his handicap, and is very clever at getting the ball away from bunkers.

Javelin throwing is a new form of sport that is gaining many followers in the United States. This is a peculiar instance of the transplanting to American soil of a pastime first developed among the barbarians of central Africa. There are two official ways of hurling the javelin. One is the free style, and the other provides that the thrower must grasp the spear in the middle. A Danish athlete now holds the world's javelin throwing record.

WHICH WAS RIGHT?

See if You Can Untangle the Knots in This Problem. A young man named Enathlus desired to learn eloquence and art of pleading, and he bargained with Protagoras, the ancient Greek sophist, for instructions, agreeing to pay one half of the fee down and the other half on the first day he gained a case. It took the young man so long to learn that his tutor came to the conclusion that he was delaying his start in business to avoid paying the other half of the fee, so Protagoras sued him for the money.

When the case came up for trial Protagoras said to the young man: "You act most absurdly, young man, because in either case you must pay me. If the judges decide against you, you must pay, and if they decide for you you must pay, for you will then have gained your case."

"You are wrong," replied the young man. "I will win either way. If the judges are for me, I will not have to pay, and if they are against me I will not have to pay, for this last was the very bargain between us—namely, if I did not win my case."

The judges considered the case inexplicable, and as they could not see their way to any decision they adjourned the case to a day that never came for any of the principals. On Protagoras' side it was a case of losing when he won and on the young student's side winning when he lost.

ANIMALS AMBIDEXTROUS.

Why Man Gives Preference to Right Hand Over Left.

Right handedness and right eyedness came with genus homo. Dr. George M. Gould has watched for them in squirrels that use their front paws to hold nuts, cats that strike at insects in the air or play with wounded mice and in many other animals, but he is certain no preference is given to the right side over the left.

But in the lowest human savages all over the world choice in greater expressiveness of one hand is clearly present. One cause for its development is in primitive military customs. In all tribes and countries since man used implements of offense and defense the left side, where the heart lies, has been protected by the shield, and the left hand was called the shield hand, while the right hand was called the spear hand.

Next to fighting came commerce. The fundamental condition of bartering was counting with the low numbers, one to ten. The fingers of the free or right hand were naturally first used, and all fingers today are called digits, as are the fingers themselves, while the basis of our numbering is the decimal or ten fingered system. Every digit and action of the soldier from ancient Greece to modern America is right sided in every detail. Firing from the right shoulder and sighting with the right eye bring the right eye into prominence.—Exchange.

Her Protector.

"Well, sir," explained young Mr. Sooberba, "it was like this: I thought my wife might be afraid of tramps, so I bought her a watchdog. He was a fierce looking bull, and I reckoned he'd about fill the bill. I got him in the morning and had him sent right out to the house. When I got home that night one of the toughest looking hoboes you ever saw was sitting on the porch. 'What in thunder are you doing here?' I asked. 'Well, boss,' says he, 'I come lookin' fer a handout, an' de lady she gimme 50 cents to stick around an' protect her from dat dog o' yours. She's sure scared of 'im.'—Kansas City Newsbook.

A Girl After His Own Heart.

A Scotchman, wishing to know his fate at once, telegraphed a proposal of marriage to the lady of his choice. After spending the entire day at the telegraph office he was finally rewarded late in the evening by an affirmative answer.

"If I were you," suggested the operator when he delivered the message, "I'd think twice before I'd marry a girl that kept me waiting all day for my answer."

"Na, na," retorted the Scot. "The lass who waits for the night rates is the lass for me."—Everybody's Magazine.

Origin of Boston's Glory.

Even as early as the days of Henry VIII. some sort of volunteer force had existed in England, and what is now the Honorable Artillery company was formed at that time and became a center of instruction for the city trained bands during the time of Cromwell. The Honorable Artillery company may be counted among the things which crossed in the Mayflower, for in 1628 was formed the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company of Massachusetts.—London News.

The Problem Solved.

Newed—My wife has a habit of taking money from my pockets when I'm asleep. Oldwed—Mine used to do that, too, but she doesn't any more. Newed—How do you prevent it? Oldwed—I spend every cent I have before I go home.—Chicago News.

An Exception.

"Ah, kind friend," said the minister, "it is deeds, not words, that count." "Oh, I don't know," replied the woman. "Did you ever send a telegram?"—Detroit Free Press.

Cheering.

Aspirant—You have heard my voice, professor. Now please tell me candidly what branch of vocalism it is best adapted for. Professor—Well—cheer—tag!

JOE VENDIG, BOOKMAKER.

One Man Gates Dare Not Offer to Bet a Million.

There's just one man in the United States to whom John W. Gates, the millionaire speculator and horse racer, does not dare say, "I'll bet a million." That man is Joe Vendig, the daring bookmaker and all around gambling expert, who has been active against Governor Hughes in New York in the latter's efforts to stop betting at the race tracks.

Vendig is noted for the unconcern with which he wins and loses colossal bets all in a few seconds' time, and it is probable that if his acquaintance Gates ever made to him his favorite offer of betting a million Vendig would snap it up in a moment and say, "Tell me you're a sport, Gates, but I see you're only a nervous little piker."

Just now Governor Hughes has the upper hand of Vendig and his fellow gamblers, for he and thirty-eight other "knights of the stool," as bookies are



JOE VENDIG.

known, are under indictment by the Kings county grand jury.

Vendig, however, isn't worrying, because the gambler who allowed an possible emergency to worry him would not last over two weeks in the line of business.

Vendig believes that the agitation against betting at race tracks is a sign that civilization is going backward and that it violates the principles laid down in the Declaration of Independence. At least he says he does.

She Voted.

"What was the topic of debate in our club today?" asked one member of the feminine society. "The topic of debate," was the response. "Why—er—let me see—I can't remember what the topic was. But I voted on either the positive or negative side of the question. I forget which."—Washington Star.

Radical.

"I hear that your new school superintendent is rather radical." "He is that," responded Farmer Haw. "He's cut out the higher head-work and the perforated tattling, and he's advising teachers to handle the children according to the rules of common sense. Oh, yes! Our new superintendent is radical, all right."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

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Seeing Ourselves.

"The man who can pick out the best picture of himself is a rare bird," said a photographer. "Even an author, who is reputedly a poor judge of his own work, exercises vast wisdom in selecting his best book compared with the person who tries to choose his best photograph. Every famous man or woman who has been photographed repeatedly has his favorite picture. Usually it is the worst in the collection. It shows him with an unnatural expression sitting or standing in an unnatural attitude.

"The inability to judge of his best picture must be due to the average man's ignorance as to how he really looks, or perhaps it can be partly attributed to a desire to look other than he does. A stout man will swear that the photograph most nearly like him is one that makes him look thin, a thin man the one that makes him look stout. The solemn man selects the jolliest picture, the jovial man the most cadaverous.

On Again, Off Again.

A young New York artist who is almost as noted for his convivial tendencies as he is for his genius was recently asked by a friend:

"What does your wife think of these spells? I should think she would not submit to them."

"When I have a spree," confessed the intemperate one frankly, "she is just as good to me as any one possibly could be. She takes care of me and nurses me back to decency with a kindness that is superhuman—it is angelic and beyond belief.

"But once I am sober again she begins to nag me to promise her and swear to her that I never, never, never again will drink a drop, and she keeps at me so determinedly and so persistently that—by Jove—she makes me so desperate that I have to go and fill up again so I can forget it."

Her Name.

One needs patience to succeed as a teacher of the young, as this brief dialogue in one of our elementary schools may show:

Scholar—I've left home now, ma'am. I'm living with my auntie.

Teacher—What's her name? "She's called after me—Fanny."

"Yes, but what's her other name?" "She has no other."

"But what does the woman next door call her?" "She doesn't speak to the woman next door."

A Hard Job.

"Didn't you say six months ago that if Miss Tipkins wouldn't marry you you would throw yourself into the deepest part of the sea? Now, Miss Tipkins married some one else three months ago and yet you haven't—"

"Oh, it's easy to talk, but let me tell you it is not such an easy matter to find the deepest part of the sea."

Substitutes.

Doctor—Have you given him the champagne and oysters, as I ordered? Patient's Wife—Well, no, sir, I couldn't afford that, so I got him some ginger beer and wheis instead. Do it matter, sir?—London Telegraph.

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Spelled in Full.

"We had an editor in chief on our paper years ago who was a stickler for no abbreviations," said a veteran newspaper man. "He didn't believe in abbreviating anything but the word mister. The names of states had to be spelled out. One time one of the boys wrote a news story which contained this clause: 'And Mozart's mass was played.' The proofreader who got the story had been under the exacting direction of that editor for years, too many years to allow any proper name to get by him without being spelled out, so when he came to this 'mass' he 'trung' the word, and it came out 'Mozart's Massachussets.'"—Omaha Bee.

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NOTICE—TRANSFER OF TAVERN LICENSE. Notice is hereby given that the petition of Allen S. Garman and Richard Sheehy was this day filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions, for transfer of the O'LEARY HOUSE TAVERN LICENSE, South Ward, Bellefonte Boro. from Allen S. Garman to Richard Sheehy. A. B. KIMPTOR, Clerk. Aug. 10, 1908. x32

CHARTER NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the Governor of Pennsylvania, on Tuesday, the 18th day of August, A. D. 1908, by Geo. B. Uzell, David Chambers, James F. Uzell, Jr., W. E. Brown, and John G. Uzell, under the Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved the 23d day of April, A. D. 1874, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be known as "The Snow Shoe Electric Light and Power Company," in Centre county, Pennsylvania, the character and object whereof is to supply light, heat and power, or either, by means of electricity, to the inhabitants of the borough of Snow Shoe and the surrounding country, adjacent thereto, and for this purpose to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of the Act of Assembly and its supplements. The application is now on file in the office of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. W. C. HEINLE, Solicitor. x31

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Notice is hereby given that application will be made by W. D. O'Brien, John P. Kelley, Thos. F. Kelley, Jr., W. S. Boulding and P. E. Hart, to the Governor of Pennsylvania, on the 23rd day of August, A. D. 1908, at 10 o'clock A. M., under the provisions of an Act of Assembly entitled "An Act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved the 23rd day of April, A. D. 1874, and the several supplements thereto, for a charter for an intended corporation to be called the "Snow Shoe Electric Company," the character and object of which is the supplying light, heat and power by means of electricity to the village in the Borough of Snow Shoe, Pa., and to such persons, partnerships and associations residing therein, or adjacent thereto, as may desire the same, and for that purpose to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges by the said Act of Assembly and its supplements thereto conferred. JAS. A. H. MILLER, Solicitor. x31

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