CHRISTMAS SPORTS.

Interesting Local Events Scheduled to Take Place To-Morrow.

THE BIG FOOTBALL GAME.

Two Young Bloods Have Quite a Lively Fight to a Finish.

RESULTS OF GUTTENBERG RACES.

An Interesting Rugby Football Game for Wilkinsburg.

GENERAL SPORTING NEWS OF THE DAY

There is always plenty of outdoor sports in and about Pittsburg on Christmas Day, or as it is to-morrow a Christmas holiday. One pleasing feature is that the sports are not so brutal and degrading as they used to be; they are decidedly of a more enobling character than they were only a few years ago.

Among the many events scheduled for to-morrow is the football game at Exposition Park between the Pittsburg club's team and the team from Chicago. There is considerable local interest in the contest and doubtless it will be one of the best seen here. The teams are well matched. The Chicago players will be here this morning so as to get a good rest before the contest to-morrow afternoon. Secretary Kelly, of the Chicago team, writes that his men are in good trim and as they have only been defeated once this season they are confident of another victory to-morrow. The names of the players were printed in last Sunday's DISPATCH.

The Pittsburg team will, according to all accounts, be in first-class trim.

Another event that promises to be of more than ordinary interest is the live bird shoot at Glenwood, under the auspices of the Glenwood Sportsman's Association. About 500 live pigeons have been secured for the contests, and there will also be a large number of blue rocks on hand. There will be six sweepstake events at live pigeons and shooting will commence at 10 o'clock A. M.

Several local patrons of the gun will leave the city this evening for Harrisburg to witness the last of the five contests between Elliott and Fulford. Their contest here has made a very good impression and a great amount of interest is centered in their contest to-morrow.

There will also be several local club shoots of lesser note to-morrow and one or two of the junior football teams intend playing a game. If the weather is fine it is expected that there will be a good turn out at each event.

A Rugby football game is scheduled to take place to-morrow morning at Wilkinsburg on the W. A. A. grounds. The contesting teams are named the Crimson and Black and the Pittsburg Bank Clerks. The contest is sure to be a good one. The teams will line up as follows, the game starting at 10 o'clock:

C. & B.	Position.	Bank Clerks.
Cruikshank	Left end	Joe Lyons
Dacey	Left tackle	Miller
Elbarkey	Left guard	Lou Byons
Meecham	Center	Rose
Kingon	Right guard	Farrar
Wills	Right tackle	Bevington
Scott	Right end	Wills
Roberts	Quarter back	Morton
Morrow	Half backs	Lezgate
Hansen	Half backs	Ramsey
Crawford	Full back	Thompson

THE GUTTENBERG RACES.

Very Cold Weather, but the Races Were of the Very Best.

GUTTENBERG, Dec. 24.—[*Special.*]—The weather was cold here to-day and the racing excellent. Summaries:

First race, purse $400, of which $50 to the second, for beaten 2-year-olds, six furlongs—Leigh 112, Snedeker, first; Carnalite 112, J. Barrett, second; Happy Maid 109, N. Hill, third. Freemason 110, Lizzie T 99, Spot 94, Blue Blood 116, Harlequin 118, and Don't Know 112, also ran. Time, 1:19. Betting: Leigh, 7 to 5 and 1 to 2; Carnalite, 30 to 1 and 10 to 1; Happy Maid, 20 to 1 and 8 to 1; Free Mason, 6 to 5 and 3 to 5; Lizzie T, 4 to 1 and even; Spot, 8 to 1 and 2 to 1; Blue Blood, 20 to 1 and 8 to 1; Harlequin, 60 to 1 and 20 to 1; Don't Know, 15 to 1 and 6 to 1.

Second race, purse $400, of which $50 to second, winner to be sold, one mile—Shenandoah 114, Martin, first; Dago 107, McDermott, second; Excellenza filly 96, Griffin, third. Prince Fortunatus 107, Headlight 98, Mollie Davis 97, Brussels 110, Glendive 89 and Fancy gelding 102 also ran. Time, 1:46¾. Betting: Shenandoah, 2 to 1 and 3 to 5; Dago, 3 to 1 and even; Excellenza filly, 8 to 1 and 3 to 1; Prince Fortunatus, 7 to 2 and 6 to 5; Headlight, 15 to 1 and 6 to 1; Mollie Davis, 15 to 1 and 6 to 1; Brussels, 10 to 1 and 4 to 1; Glendive, 60 to 1 and 20 to 1; Fancy gelding, 50 to 1 and 20 to 1.

Third race, purse $400, $50 to second, for yearlings, winner to be sold, half a mile—Jersey Lass filly, 102, Griffin, first; Patroness filly, 95, McDermott, second; Alice C. (formerly Sweetheart filly), 112, N. Hill, third. Brier colt 105, Marilla filly 105, Elite filly 106, False 102 also ran. Time, :51¾. Betting: Jersey Lass, 8 to 5 and 3 to 5; Patroness filly, 2 to 5 and 3 to 5; Alice C., 7 to 5 and 1 to 2; Brier colt, 50 to 1 and 20 to 1; Marilla filly, 5 to 2 and 4 to 5; Elite filly, 50 to 1 and 20 to 1; False, 25 to 1 and 8 to 1.

Fourth race, handicap, purse $800, of which $50 to second, six furlongs—Panway, 88, Griffin, first; Logan, 103, Shields, second; Little Fred, 1:0, Clay, third. Nabelle also ran. Time, 1:17¼. Betting: Panway, 7 to 1 and 7 to 5; Logan, 3 to 1 and 7 to 10; Little Fred, 8 to 5 and 1 to 2; Mabelle, 9 to 5 and 1 to 2.

Fifth race, handicap, purse $500, of which $50 to second, for 2 year olds, five furlongs—Caledonia 114, Martin, first; Play or Pay 104, Griffin, second; Sandowne 114, N. Hill, third. Fidget 109 also ran. Time, 1:03¾. Betting: Caledonia, 4 to 1 and even; Play or Pay, 6 to 1 and 8 to 5; Sandowne, 4 to 5 and out; Fidget, 8 to 1 and 4 to 5.

Sixth race, purse $400, of which $50 to second, winner to be sold, one mile—Mohican 94, Griffin, first; Greenwich 110, Martin, second; Persistence 107, J. Barrett, third. Alan Bane 113, Hazelhurst 101, Milo 92 and Ann Elizabeth 95 ran also. Time, 1:44. Betting: Mohican, 4 to 5 and out; Greenwich, 4 to 1 and even; Persistence, 4 to 1 and 7 to 5; Alan Bane, 12 to 1 and 4 to 1; Hazelhurst, 30 to 1 and 10 to 1; Milo, 8 to 1 and 3 to 1; Ann Elizabeth, 25 to 1 and 6 to 1.

English Turf Winnings.

Though statistics are not always the most entertaining reading, the following table of the winnings of some of England's most famous race horses cannot fail to be of interest to many of our readers:

Owner.	Horse.	Total Amount.
Duke of Portland	Donovan	$274,765
Duke of Portland	Ayrshire	175,520
Count De Lagrange	Gladiateur	190,125
Baron Hirsch	La Fleche	145,280
Duke of Westminster	Ormonde	142,325
A. W. Merry	Nunefoot	135,360
General Pearson	Lord Lyon	127,825
Lord Calthorpe	Seabreeze	121,330
Mr. Sefton	Achievement	112,250
Duke of Westminster	Orme	105,960
Mr. Graham	Formosa	105,460
Chevalier Ginistrelli	Signorina	104,380
Duke of Portland	Memoir	86,500
Baron Rothschild	Hannah	82,330

Gebhard Won't Retire.

The report started some time ago that Fred Gebhard had decided to retire from the turf was given a denial yesterday by C. W. Aby, the manager of his California ranch, who passed through the city on his way to New York. Far from retiring Mr. Gebhard will race a larger stable than ever next season, but it will be composed almost entirely of horses of his own breeding.

Going Back to France.

Horace Brown looks forward with apparent longing to his return trip to France. It is virtually settled that he will start early in the new year with a carefully selected band of trotters from the stud of Dr. J. W. Day. He states that there is plenty of room for the right kind of track horses in England and the Continent. In discussing the bicycle sulky we agreed that the faster the horse the greater the difference between the old and new kind of sulky. That is to say in the case of a 2:30 horse, good-gaited and willing, the gain by the bicycle might be two seconds, but a trotter of the 2:10 class, with other qualities like the 2:30 fellow, might draw a bicycle three or four seconds faster than the old style. It is found that a driver, say, 30 pounds over weight will not retard the progress of a 2:30 horse to the same extent relatively as one ten or more seconds faster. Hence it had been the aim to hitch the champions to the lighter kind of rigs commensurate with safety.—*The Horseman.*

FRANK A. HINKEY.

A Few Words About Yale's New Football Team Captain.

Local football patrons were somewhat surprised yesterday when they read in THE DISPATCH that Frank A. Hinkey, '95, had been elected captain of the Yale football team for next year. Good judges think the selection an excellent one.

He has had a brilliant record as a football player and at all times has displayed excellent judgment on the field. Hinkey comes from Tonawanda, N. Y. He is one of the most aggressive as well as one of the most subtle and skilled players ever on the Yale team. Not long ago W. S. Bull, the football authority, stated that "Hinkey is the most brilliant end rusher playing today in every point of the game."

Frank A. Hinkey, Yale Captain.

The W. & J. Captain.

Blaine Aiken, '93, has been elected captain of the Washington and Jefferson College football team for next season. He plays full back for the team, and is a young man of excellent judgment and a real good player.

SWELLS IN THE RING.

Two Young Bloods Fight Eight Lively Rounds to Settle a Dispute.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—A prize fight took place last night between two young swells of this city, Charlie Wade and Charlie Patorius. They have been acquaintances for some time and are courting sisters. An argument arose as to which was the better man. Both feeling that they thoroughly understood the art of self-defense, or rather manly art, they agreed to settle the dispute in a glove fight to a finish.

There were only two men present outside of the personal friends of the combatants. The boys had no difficulty in selecting a battle ground, and the fight took place in the back parlor of a five-story brown stone house, on the west side of the city, and in a thickly populated neighborhood. Eight spirited rounds were fought before Wade succeeded in knocking his opponent out. It was not done in a single blow, but from the moment Wade saw he had his man groggy he never let up until he had him out for good. The last round lasted two minutes and four seconds. Joe Early, Cal McCarthy's old manager, acted as referee.

May Cause a Kick.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—The Coney Island Athletic Club's big purse of $45,000 for McAuliffe and Burge to fight for has already a tendency to produce a kick upon the part of Billy Myer and his backer, Alf Kennedy. According to a dispatch from Chicago yesterday, Myer says that he will not clinch a match with Austin Gibbons, stating as a reason that he wants to go home to Mt. Clements for his health. Alf Kennedy seems to be more explicit. He says that it is pretty certain Myer will not fight for the purse offered. "Why," added Kennedy, "if McAuliffe and Dick Burge are worth $45,000, surely Gibbons or Myer ought to be worth more than $4,000 or $5,000."

Smith is All Right.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Dec. 24.—Smith, the lightweight pugilist, who is to fight Rowan, of Wheeling, Tuesday night, and who is training here, is in excellent condition. These two pugilists have never met personally and judge each other entirely by their records. Less than a month ago Smith, at 125 pounds, defeated Bennett, a Canadian, at Piqua, in a 10-round fight, Bennett weighing 143 pounds. Local sports are taking a great interest in the fight, and it is probable that Smith will carry a large amount of Parkersburg money.

Their New Arena.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Dec. 24.—The Crescent City Athletic Club is making rapid progress upon the new arena, and it will be ready in time for the Bowen-Fielden match on January 5. The roof will be only temporary, but will be made permanent for the fights to follow. The club has telegraphed to Captain Williams to come home, and will not bid against the Coney Island Club for the McAuliffe-Burge contest.

HOSMER IN ENGLAND.

The American Professional Sculler Very Well Received by the Britishers.

In chronicling the arrival of George Hosmer in England on December 8, the London *Sportsman* says:

After a most pleasant voyage the famous American sculler, George Hosmer, of Boston, U. S. A., who left New York on Saturday, November 26, at noon, by the steamship Manitoba, duly arrived at Tilbury docks on Wednesday evening, at about 7 o'clock. It will be remembered that Hosmer, by cablegram to the *Sportsman* some little time since, challenged Bubear to row on the Thames or Tyne for the championship of England, including the Sportsman challenge cup, and stakes of £200 a side, and on Bubear wiring his acceptance for a match in the middle of January next and agreeing to allow £20 for expenses, the Boston oarsman at once took his departure for England. Yesterday evening Hosmer paid a visit to the *Sportsman* office, accompanied by Mr. J. J. Carr (his brother-in-law), Mr. Ernest Combs, Mr. W. G. Kingham, and Jack Higgins, ex-champion of England, and now mine host of the King's Arms, Market-hill, Shadwell, an old friend of Hosmer when he was over here in 1880. During his course of training, Hosmer will take up his residence at his former quarters at Barnes, and, as before, intends boating from genial Tom Green's establishment, adjoining the railway bridge.

He has brought a Ruddock built craft with him for the race, and to-day Jack Higgins will arrange to have her conveyed from Tilbury docks to Barnes, although, of course, the American will not commence strict training yet awhile. Hosmer looks wonderfully well in health and, with the exception of thickening out, is little changed since his previous visit, when he took part in the Hop Bitters regatta, 12 years ago. In the course of the interview Hosmer arranged with our representative to meet George Bubear at Mr. John Hoodless', the Maltman and Shovel, Broadway, Hammersmith, on Monday evening next at 8 o'clock prompt, for the purpose of drawing up the articles of agreement, staking the first deposit, and making all the necessary arrangements in connection with the match. Subsequently the party adjourned to the Albert Club, and had an interview with the well-known sportsman and supporter of rowing, Mr. W. J. Innes, who, of course, saw a good deal of Hosmer during his former visit to the old country. No doubt the American will indulge in a spin or two on the river before the end of the week.

CHERRY DIAMOND IN TROUBLE.

Desperate Efforts Being Made to Tide the M. A. C. Over Difficulties.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—[*Special.*]—Officers of the Manhattan Athletic Club are making a desperate effort to tide the Cherry Diamond over its present financial straits. Unless arrangements can be made which will put the club on a paying basis in the near future it looks as if the organization would have to "go under."

Seven hundred and fifty thousand dollars is the amount of the Manhattan Athletic Club's indebtedness, according to Secretary C. C. Hughes. This includes a first mortgage of $400,000 given in 1889 and due in 1897, and second mortgage bonds due in 1894 for $250,000 to Walton Storm and George W. Carr as trustees. All the second mortgage bonds, however, were not disposed of, about $64,000 of them remaining unsold. The balance of the club's debt is due to holders of the scrip issued by the club last year to tradesmen.

Against this indebtedness the club claims assets of $1,100,000 for the house and site at Forty-fifth street and Madison avenue. The ground on which the building stands cost $120,000, and the building itself about $800,000. The property, however, the officers of the club say, has increased greatly in value during the last three years.

There are two plans which the officers have in view. The first is to sell the club's equity in the property under an agreement on the part of the buyer to sell it back to the club in three years. The price which the club wants for the equity is $350,000. Wall street has been pretty thoroughly canvassed with this object in view, but so far without success. The resale condition is not liked by capitalists.

The other plan is to provide for a reduction in the interest paid on the bonded indebtedness. At present the club pays interest at the rate of six per cent. It is thought that a first mortgage of $650,000 at five per cent interest can be executed, and that then members of the club will subscribe for second mortgage bonds to the amount of $100,000 also at five per cent. The club would then be able to pay the most pressing of its open accounts and would reduce the amount paid in interest by about $6,000.

The receipts from the dues, $50 a year, for the first ten months of the present year were $117,000, an increase of $15,000 over the same period last year. The house business of the club has also increased by about $6,500 over that of last year.

Before the last regular meeting of the club a plan was suggested for the payment of the annual dues in one lump in January instead of the semi-annual payment of $25. The plan was killed, however, without coming before the meeting, the difficulty in the opinion of members being that while it might be of temporary benefit, the club would soon find itself in worse condition than ever if the present extravagant management continues.

ENGLISH SPORTING NEWS.

Colonel North Will Run His Famous Greyhound Next Year.

[BY CABLE TO THE DISPATCH.]

LONDON, Dec. 24.—[*Copyright.*]—Colonel North means running his dog Fullerton again next year for the Waterloo cup, and if he proves successful for the fifth time he will have accomplished what no other dog has yet done. The Colonel has some other smart dogs, and these will be run by other nominators, so that his success again is highly probable.

Should Mrs. Langtry's illness terminate fatally her horse Milford would be ineligible for next year's Derby. This would have but small effect on the racing world, as Milford does not show to advantage in races over five furlongs, but if Abingdon Baird, who is also ill, should die, then his horse Meddler must be struck out, a much more important matter, as Isinglass should then become such a favorite as was Ormonde before he was tampered with last spring.

Wheelmen Representatives.

The annual meeting of the Pennsylvania division of the L. A. W. representatives will be held at Philadelphia on January 7, and the following representatives will go from this city: J. C. McGowan, Vice Consul of the State; W. M. Myler and J. A. Johnson, from the Keystone Club; J. Bailey, A. C. Darragh, O. H. Challerton, Howe Bidwell and W. M. Veitch, representatives at large; Al Pratt, John Grove and H. Squire will represent the dealers and W. H. Wilson, C. H. Pettigord, Barney Aarons and J. H. Taylor will represent the Allegheny cyclers.

Banker Finds Fault.

George Banker, the well-known racing cycler, finds fault with the figures printed Thursday, that the New York Athletic Club's quartet of racing men scored 650 points during the past season, while Manhattan Athletic Club had but 340. Banker, in a communication, says: "According to authentic information the Manhattan's team rolled up a score of 704 against 660 of the N. Y. A. C. While if the full team of the M. A. C. were to be taken into consideration, you will find that they roll up a score of 1,047 or more."

Shooting at Glenwood.

The shoot at Glenwood yesterday was a good one, and the results were as follows: First event, 7 blue rocks, 10 entries—Parker first, with 6; Ward and Brown second with 5 each. Second event, 5 live pigeons, 7 entries—John Downs first with 5; Parker, Fraister and Onez each killed 4. Third event, 5 live pigeons—Keener killed 5, and Downs, Onez, Morris and Hollingsworth each 4. Fourth event, 4 live birds—Parker, Keener and Hollingsworth each killed 4; Fraister, Onez, Morris and Brown each killed 3.

Will Return to England.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—George McDonald, who came to America with Dick Burge in the capacity of trainer to the English champion, has decided to return to England as soon as possible. McDonald claims that Burge has acted unfairly with him in requesting him to come to this country and then deserting him. "Why, it was through my influence that Burge came here," said McDonald yesterday," and I hold a contract as his manager and trainer."

An Alleged Abducter Arrested.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—Sylvester F. Wilson, ex-manager of female baseball clubs, who stands convicted of abducting and assaulting Libbie Sutherland, one of his ball team, a young Binghamton, N. Y., girl, has been arrested. Wilson has been out on $7,000 bail on a stay pending an appeal. Judge Pratt, of the Supreme Court, Brooklyn, has vacated the stay.

A Playground for Beaver Falls.

BEAVER FALLS, Dec. 24.—[*Special.*]—A number of young men of this place and surrounding towns will organize an association and a plot of ground has been selected as a recreation park. A course will be made, and it is likely that a boat house will be built on the river bank. The question of organizing a good ball club and joining a State league is also being discussed, as heretofore the great obstacle has been the lack of suitable grounds.

Fu ford the Champion Wing Shot.

WILLIAMSPORT, Dec. 24.—A. P. Elliott and E. D. Fulford shot the fourth of the series of five matches for the world's wing champion ship here to-day, resulting in favor of Fulford by a score of 98 to 89. This gives Fulford the championship, as he had won two out of three matches shot previously.

General Sporting Notes.

W. W. HILDERBOR—Jackson has the higher reach.

A STAG smoker will be held by the McKeesport Bicycle Club Thursday evening.

JAMES MILL will hold his annual shooting contest at Marshall avenue, Allegheny, to-morrow.

A LOCAL sporting man has left $450 to bet against $250 that Plimmer defeats McGrath in their battle.

COL. W. A. BANCROFT, the new Mayor of Cambridge, Mass., was captain of the Harvard crew for three years.

TWENTY-NINE men are candidates for Columbia's crew. The material is said to be better than has been shown in years.

READER, ALLEGHENY—He has "got such a great name" because he has met the best men of his day and never been beaten.

IGNORANT STAKEHOLDER—Under Association rules the Pittsburg team and under Rugby rules among college teams the Washington-Jefferson team.

IT is stated that Samuel Martin, of Monongahela City, and Charles Warren, of Rochester, are to fight at Rochester, N. Y., to-morrow evening for $100 a side.

IVES is very anxious to play Vignaux, the French expert. The American champion offers to meet the Frenchman for $2,500 a side at Paris in March next.

JONATHAN HORSEFIELD and James Brooks are open to shoot Harry Hollingworth and Enos Quinn a match at live birds, 1 ounce shot, 21 yards rise, 60 fall, for $100 a side or more. Match can be made at Friendship Cottage, Penn avenue, to-morrow evening.

STEVE BRODIE called at the *Police Gazette* office yesterday and posted $100 with Richard K. Fox, and left the following: "Enclosed find $100 as a deposit to match Hite Peckham against Austin Gibbons for $500 a side and the biggest purse that the Coney Island Club will offer."

A NEW impetus has been given to the maintenance of interclass athletics at Yale by the offering of three cups for interclass contests in football, rowing and track athletics. When the cups have been won three times by any class they will become the property of that class. The donor is Thomas De Witt Cuyler, class of '74, of Philadelphia. The cups are given in memory of Theodore De Witt Cuyler, '72.

THE following cable was received at the *Police Gazette* office yesterday: "George Johnson is willing to go to America to fight Johnny Griffen on same terms Coney Island Club offered Bill Baxter. Barney Abrahams, Charley Mitchell's solicitor, visited Mitchell in Pentonville prison to-day. Mitchell was in good health and excellent spirits. His sentence will expire January 31, when he will leave for America to manage Jim Hall."

BUDD DOBLE has given many proofs of great horsemanship, and he has had special opportunities to pick a stable of probable winners. The result of his last season's work shows that times have changed, and that there are so many trainers out with two or three strings to their how it is not given to a Doble to make a sweep. He campaigned 18 horses and their winnings foot up $62,000. Nancy Hanks earned $33,000 and Martha Wilkes about one-fifth the total sum. Four members failed to get a piece of money in their races and four more won from $150 to $375.

MISS BORDEN MAY BE CRAZY.

The Prosecution Will Wait Till This Is Determined Before Proceeding With the Trial—The Prisoner Had Burned a Suspicious Dress Before Arrest.

TAUNTON, MASS., Dec. 24.—There is no intimation yet in regard to the time of arraigning Miss Borden for the murder of her father and stepmother. It is asserted that the Government is in no hurry to have the case presented, because of a belief that the woman is insane, or, if not so now, that she will be before the trial. If she is insane, the enormous expense of a trial will be avoided and the ends of justice practically attained. If she is placed on trial, the only important fact to be explained will be in regard to the dress, and for the first time the details of that affair are now made public. Miss Russell and the two Misses Borden were in a room on the third or fourth day after the murders. Lizzie went out and then came into the room again, holding in her hand a dress which she pointed to, at the same time saying:

"They are making so much fuss over things about here that I guess I will burn this. It is an old dress upon which I spilled some red paint."

She passed out into the kitchen and put the dress into the fire. When the officers, in their search, found a piece of this dress in the ashes, they sought to learn what it meant, and it was for this reason that the New Bedford purchase was so closely examined into. Miss Russell said nothing about this matter at the first hearing, nor did Emma Borden, but when Miss Russell was asked point blank in regard to the occurrence the day before the grand jury reported, she told the story.

Bridget Sullivan was shown the piece, and said that Lizzie wore a dress like that on the morning of the murder. Emma said, in explanation of the affair, that it was a general custom in the family to burn up their clothes when they were of no further use.

CENTRAL PARK'S GIFT.

A Baby Lion Arrives and Assistant Superintendent Burns Is Happy.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—[*Special.*]—The winter house of the lions at Central Park is at present an object of decided interest. It was closed to-day and none but the keepers were allowed to enter. Occasionally Assistant Superintendent Burns would tap softly on the door, bolts, bars and chains would rattle and the keeper peer cautiously out. The door would then be opened wide enough to permit Mr. Burns to squeeze in, after which it would be tightly closed. Presently Mr. Burns would emerge, wearing a mysterious smile on his face and before the door was shut he usually gave some whispered instructions to the keeper. All these mysterious actions excited comment, but after considerable waiting and watching it was finally discovered that the cause of all the excitement was the arrival of a cub lion. The cub, of which Jack and Alice are the parents, was born Friday evening and was apparently doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

"The reason we are so careful," said Mr. Burns, "is because we are very anxious to raise this cub. It is a difficult matter to bring up the young of animals in captivity. Alice has had two previous litters, but not one of them is alive. The first litter, consisting of three cubs, came in 1890, and Alice evidently did not like their looks, for she ate all three of them. Alice's second litter came in 1891. This also consisted of three cubs, but they were stillborn. We are very sanguine that this cub will pull through, as Alice seems quite fond of it."

No one has yet got close enough to the cage to get a good look at the cub. When anyone comes nearer than Alice thinks is proper she immediately picks up the cub in her mouth and holds it until the intruder withdraws. Then she lays it tenderly down again.

M'AULIFFE HAS TO GIVE IN.

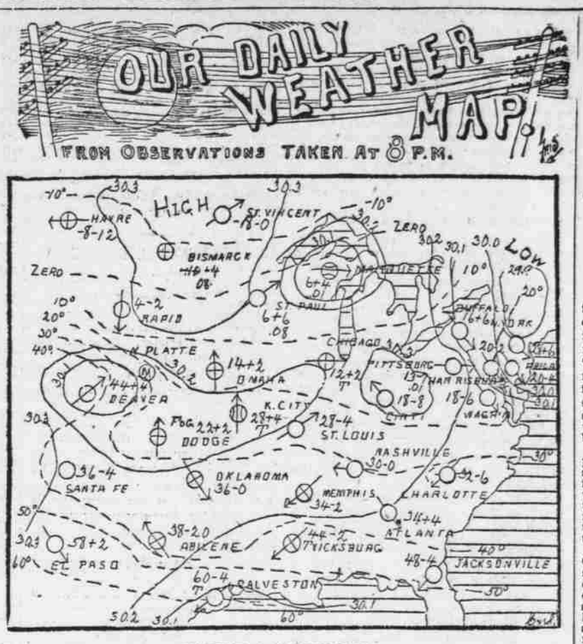
He Wanted to Size Up Burge Before Agreeing to Fight Him.

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.—[*Special.*]—Owing to the non-appearance of Dick Burge, the great lightweight championship match between Jack McAuliffe and Burge for the stupendous purse of $45,000 was not clinched to-night, but McAuliffe signed his part of an agreement to fight the Englishman before the Coney Island Club on a day between March 27 and April 3, 1893, today being the time set to ratify and arrange the preliminaries of the impending fistic struggle.

McAuliffe was quite reluctant at first to go ahead, stating he would like to size up Burge before he signed to fight him. But after Judge Newton's earnest solicitation he finally gave in.

A Contest Comes Too Late.

LANSING, MICH., Dec. 24.—The Supreme Court to-day denied an order to show cause upon the application of Judge Newton (Fusion candidate) for a recount of the votes for Justice of the Supreme Court in certain precincts of Wayne county. It was denied upon the ground that the application was made too late, and that he has ample remedy under the Constitution by appeal to the Legislature.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PORT ARTHUR
HURON
ESCANABA
MARQUETTE
MACKINAW
GRAND HAVEN
MILWAUKEE
GREEN BAY
MADISON
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