

# Latest Sporting Gossip of "The Island" and the World

In the Spotlight of Sport

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When "Sad Sam" Jones, the Athletics' star hurler, turned the Athletics back without a hit or a run, he stepped up among the immortals of the mound. For not so many have pulled this feat in baseball since the game has been played as it is today.

But two players reached first, one on a pass and the other on an error, and both these failed to get to second.

But for these two bobbles "Sad Sam" would have had a perfect game and equalled the feat of Cy Young in 1904, when he shut out

### Statistics of the Race Meeting

The following statistics of the Exhibition race meeting just closed will probably be of interest to horsemen:

During the four days' meeting there were twelve races, an average of three races per day, in addition to the running race which was thrown in as an extra.

In the six trotting races on the program, namely: the 2.18, 2.20, 2.22, 2.25, 2.40 and 3-minute Trots, there were twenty-six heats trotted, the average time being 2.20 1/4, the honor of trotting the fastest mile being equally divided between Wilteen Boy, 2.17 1/4, owned by Mr. A. L. Hodgson, of Halifax; and Captain Jackson, 2.17 1/4, owned by Col. D. A. MacKinnon, Charlottetown. These horses each trotted a heat in 2.17 1/4.

In the six pacing classes, namely, the 2.10 mixed, 2.14 mixed, 2.18, 2.40 and 3-minute paces there were twenty heats paced, the average time being 2.18 1/4. The honor of pacing the fastest heat goes to High Knob Beauty 2.12 1/4, owned by Dr. McAllister, of Sussex, N. B., who paced a heat in the 2.10 class in 2.13 1/4.

In the twelve events raced during the four days' meeting there were 109 starters, or an average of 9 starters in each event. Fifty-five starts were made by P. E. Island owned horses, 43 by Nova Scotia owned horses, 8 by New Brunswick owned horses, and 1 by a Magdalen Islands owned horse.

Of the total of \$6,100 in purses competed for in the twelve events:

P. E. Island owned horses won—	
6 firsts, equalling	\$1,500
8 seconds, equalling	1,000
7 thirds, equalling	525
7 fourths, equalling	360
Total	\$3,385
Nova Scotia owned horses won—	
2 firsts, equalling	\$ 500
3 seconds, equalling	400
5 thirds, equalling	390
5 fourths, equalling	250
Total	\$1,540
New Brunswick owned horses won—	
3 firsts, equalling	\$ 800
1 second, equalling	125
Total	\$ 925
Magdalen Islands owned horse won—	
1 first, equalling	\$ 250

The leading money winning driver of the meeting was Col. D. A. MacKinnon, of Charlottetown, P.E.I., who won four first moneys and one fourth, totalling \$1,050. Captain Jackson, owned by him and driven by Mr. Ernest McTague, also won a third place, making a total for the stable of \$1,125.

Col. MacKinnon wins the \$20.00 gold piece given by Mr. W. Chester S. McLure, M. L. A., to the driver scoring the most points during the meeting, he having scored a total of 21 points.

The next leading money winning driver is the veteran, Mr. H. C. Hooper, of Charlottetown, who won one first, two seconds, and one third, totalling \$575, scoring 13 points.

The only horses to win two races during the meeting were the trotter Wilteen Boy, 2.17 1/4, who won the 2.18 and the 2.22 class trots, and the pacer Dan Patchen, who won the 2.14 and the 2.18 class paces.

### Straight Heats At Columbus Meeting

COLUMBUS, O., Sept. 29.—Because of a heavy rain last night Grand Circuit racing today did not start until three o'clock. Only three of the five races scheduled were run.

Summary:

2.08 Pace, Three Heats, Purse \$1,000 Hal N. C. A., br g, by Hal B. (McGerr) 1 1 3  
Little George, ch g, (Kelly) 4 3 2  
Hollywood Angus, br g, (McMahon) 3 2 8  
Daphne the Great, blk m, (Egan) 5 8 3  
Miss Eagle, Careta, Todd and C. R., also started.  
Time—2.07 1/4; 2.07 1/4; 2.08.

2.04 Pace, Three Heats, Purse \$1,000 Mrs. Yerkes, b m, by Peter The Great (Murphy) 1 1 1  
Emma Harvester, b m (Cox) 2 2 3  
Jane The Great, bm, (McMahon) 3 4 2  
Well Worthy, ro b, (McDonald) 4 4 2  
Time—2.04 1/4; 2.04 1/4; 2.05 1/4.

and the finishing blow came after one minute and 18 seconds of the third round.

This was Renault's tenth straight knockout.

Downey stayed 10 rounds with Luis Firpo recently in a fight at Indianapolis where Governor McCray required the use of sixteen ounce gloves.

## SATURDAY'S RACES PROVED MOST EXCITING CONTESTS

### 2.22 Trot, Won By Wilteen Boy, Went to Five Exciting Heats—Other Race Winners Were Lacopia the Great and Brenton H.

The Exhibition races came to an end on Saturday, and racing in this Province for 1923 has passed into history. There is no question but that the four days' meeting this year has proved wonderfully successful as regards the quality of the races, but the attendance was not nearly as large as expected, no doubt due to the fact the late harvest was keeping so many employed that they had no time to attend.

The weather on Saturday was ideal and the track fast. Indeed, more favorable conditions could not have been desired, and as a consequence some breezy miles were trotted, particularly in the 2.22 Trot, which developed into an unexpected battle between Wilteen Boy, Capt. Jackson and Kalola Todd, Wilteen Boy winning at the end of five heats in what was probably one of the best races of the meeting. The greatest excitement prevailed on the grand-stand at the finish of every heat, all the finishers in the five heats being extremely close, and in three of them no one knew the winners until the judges made the announcement.

The 2.25 Class Pace.

Was the first race called and had the smallest field of the meeting, only five horses starting. This did not detract from the race however, as it was a good one throughout, and though won in straight heats by Lacopia the Great, formerly owned by Mr. W. G. Penwick of Bathurst, N. B., it was no walk-over, as Gormley B. E. Miss Louanda and others made him race right to the wire.

1st Heat:—This was raced between Gormley Boy and Lacopia the Great, with Shylcock setting the pace for part of the distance. The Lacopia horse was quite comfortable in the second position until the last eighth, when he pressed him in front easily, in 2.21-1/4, Gormley Boy second, Shylcock third, Miss Louanda fourth. Time, 2.21-1/4.

2nd Heat:—Gormley Boy raced Lacopia the Great hard to the three quarter pole, when Miss Louanda, who was in a pocket, got out and made a try for the heat; but she could not quite connect, Lacopia the Great winning by half a length. College Laddie, who paced a good heat, was third, Gormley Boy fourth. Time, 2.21-1/4.

3rd Heat:—This was another battle between Lacopia the Great and Gormley Boy, Lacopia the Great winning with a length to spare. Shylcock finished third and Miss Louanda dropped back to fourth place. Time, 2.21-1/4.

The winner, Lacopia the Great, is sired by Lacopia, owned by Mr. Smith of Kinkora, P. E. I., and is out of Alice the Great, formerly owned by Alex. Mayor, P. S. Brown, Charlottetown. He is a very bluff, going pacer and we look to him getting a tab better than 'fifteen some day.

This was won in straight heats by Brenton H., the old war horse Mr. H. C. Hooper has been campaigning for the last ten years. Someone remarked that it would not look like the Exhibition races if Brenton H. was not a performer. This year he seems to be in the best condition of his career, with the possible exception of 1917 when he went some remarkable races. He is a sterling good trotter and is owned by a very likeable gentleman who has always been a good sportsman. Yesterday Brenton H. had no trouble in disposing of a field of nine good trotters, winning his heats without even being forced to a ill drive, Mr. Hooper sitting atop.

1st Heat:—Brenton H., soon assumed the lead and the battle for second honors was between Harry T. and Coryset, Coryset winning the place through Harry T. making a break. Princess Aubrey was fourth, with the rest of the field strung out considerably in the rear.

2nd Heat:—Brenton H. had no trouble in leading all the way, Harry T. beating the others out for second place, Glenmora third, Cory set fourth.

3rd Heat:—Brenton H. was never headed, winning comfortably a length and a half to the good of Harry T. Princess Aubrey trotted a good heat and landed third, Battette fourth. The excitement in

this race was for 2nd, 3rd and 4th positions, it being a foregone conclusion that Brenton H. would dispose of the field, which he laid over considerably. Mention must be made of the good trotting done by Harry T., owned by Mr. John MacTague, of Orwell Cove, and driven by that veteran driver Mr. John McCabe. Harry T., has only been in training this season for a short time, having been in the stud, but he demonstrated that given a race or two he will be a particularly formidable horse in the 'eighteen class.

2.22 Trot (Hotel Victoria)

Seven starters lined up for this event, which was won by Wilteen Boy, owned by Mr. A. L. Hodgson, of Halifax, N. S. This trotter has been cleaning things up on the mainland and is of a tough variety and can race all day. He has won two races during the meeting and yesterday gave an exhibition of racing qualities which was greatly admired.

The contending horse was Kalola Todd, who it will be remembered, went a game race at last Exhibition, winning a long drawn out contest by some sensational trotting in the last heats. This mare is owned by a clergyman who uses her as a driver, caring for her as probably not even an expert horse trainer could. The result is that, though having a limited amount of track work, she showed up Saturday to wonderful advantage. Kalola Todd is a bad one to meet in a finish race where the heats are dropped. She inherits from her forbears an indomitable spirit to win.

Capt. Jackson another horse that furnished the excitement Saturday, has been trained by Mr. Louis Coy, and was purchased just before the race he won on Wednesday by Col. D. A. MacKinnon. He was driven Saturday by Mr. Ernest McTague who brought him through a heat, winning by a wonderful drive.

1st Heat:—The horses got away on the fifth second of the meeting, with Wilteen Boy in the lead which he held until the distance stand when Wilteen Boy passed him, winning by a length in 2.18-1/4. Kalola Todd third; Mac Todd, who had trotted an excellent race to the half, when he broke, fourth; Keltie fifth.

2nd Heat:—The York went away very fast, going to the half in 1.05-3/4 and leading by several lengths. Entering the stretch he tired, and Wilteen Boy passed him and it looked as though there was nothing to it but Wilteen Boy. Suddenly the grand-stand awoke to the fact that another trotter in the race who had a chance of victory, and Capt. Jackson was seen coming flying through to the stretch. He had gone an extremely long mile and had started back of the field, but he succeeded in nipping the heat amidst most intense excitement. In 2.17-1/4, having the honor, with Wilteen Boy, of trotting the fastest heat of the meeting. The winner was third, Kalola Todd a close fourth, Mac Todd fifth, and the other horses some lengths back.

3rd Heat:—Capt. Jackson had the pole but could not get away as fast as the others and soon lost his position. The York got away, with Wilteen Boy passing him and Kalola Todd took up the battle with Wilteen Boy. Wilteen Boy had probably two lengths to the good when he straightened into the stretch, but Mr. George Hooper who was teaming Kalola Todd, made a terrific drive and won the heat by a nose, the Grand-stand applauding loudly. It was a great finish. Time 2.19-1/4. Capt. Jackson got away slowly but came home very fast, being a close third; The York was a very bad fourth.

4th Heat:—Wilteen Boy had the pole. The York soon captured it, by assuming the lead, and until entering the home stretch, when Wilteen Boy passed him and Kalola Todd took up the battle with Wilteen Boy. Wilteen Boy had probably two lengths to the good when he straightened into the stretch, but Mr. George Hooper who was teaming Kalola Todd, made a terrific drive and won the heat by a nose, the Grand-stand applauding loudly. It was a great finish. Time 2.19-1/4. Capt. Jackson got away slowly but came home very fast, being a close third; The York was a very bad fourth.

5th Heat:—Only the three heat winners were out for this heat, namely, Wilteen Boy, Kalola Todd and Capt. Jackson. They got away on the third score Wilteen Boy and

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## NEW FACES IN SERIES THIS FALL

(United Press.)  
NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—Only a few debutantes will make their first bow in world's series society when the Giants and the Yankees line up for the 1923 classic.

Both Managers McGraw and Huggins probably will decide to start practically the same teams that they engaged in the series last Fall and most of the players will be veterans of at least two previous inter-league combats.

The Giants have three star young players and at least two of them are almost sure to be seen in one or more of the games.

Jimmy O'Connell, the youngest, for whom the Giants paid the San Francisco Coast League club the record sum of \$75,000, will no doubt get a chance in some of the games in centre field. Manager McGraw may not start him, as he is a nervous youngster, and Casey Stengel, the veteran warrior, might get the assignment in the early games.

Jack Bentley, the \$65,000 south-paw pitcher, who came from the Baltimore International League Club, probably will be picked to pitch one of the games, and he is sure to get some work as a pinch hitter, as he is one of the most dangerous batters in the National League. When right he is also a very good pitcher.

## With the Pennant Winners

GIANTS HAVE EDGE ON WORLD SERIES  
By HENRY L. FARRELL  
(United Press Sports Editor.)



NEW YORK, Oct. 1.—Age-worn and time-proven axioms that do not never infallible and that nothing in baseball make complicated this fall the process of arriving at some accurate forecast on the result of the 1923 world's series.

With the same two teams almost man for man that engaged in the two past series, the dope, but for its known tendency to get off the track at times, would indicate that the New York Giants would be a safe bet to win another world's championship at the expense of their Bronx rivals.

On the basis of form and past performances, the most approved method of doping, the Yankees have only a small chance to turn the tables and beat the team that won rather easily from them in 1921 and made them look like saps in 1922.

In personnel and the basis mechanics of baseball, the Yanks are no better this year than they were last year. Their biggest asset is the same superiority in pitching that was expected to overcome the Giants last fall and which failed miserably to do it.

In the flesh it is the same Yankee team, the same players, the same style of game and the same erratic temperament, but in morale and spirit, it is a vastly different ball club that will try to live up to the good things expected of it in 1921 and 1922.

Although superficial judgment would justify the belief that the Yanks are too old a ball club to stir themselves out of the beaten path that led them to two fine trimmings, many wise baseball fans are picking the American League champions to beat the Giants because of the stability, the harmony and the winning spirit they displayed in running away with their third straight pennant.

The Yanks did show a most impressive change in temperament from the very first day of the season. It was apparent that they considered the business of winning the pennant a very serious proposition in which the financial end was too important to permit of laxity in training or in playing.

With Babe Ruth setting a most exemplary style of living and paying close attention to business, the Yanks subordinated petty personal feelings, broke up factional cliques and worked in harmony for the common cause.

It is the change in morale and the cultivation of a winning spirit that will bring the Yankees to their first world's championship—if they do get there.

Another important factor to consider in figuring the chances of the Yankees is the known fact that from the early part of the season when it began to appear certain that nothing but bad luck or injuries could keep them out of the world's series, the club has been living, playing and planning only to beat the Giants and vindicate themselves.

The Yankees felt, individually and collectively, the deepest humiliation over the sorry showing they made in the series last year, when the best they could do was to get a tie in one game. They felt that they were not only a better club than they looked, but that they were a better team than the Giants. They claimed they were caught in a slump that came as a reaction after the hard fight they had to win the pennant and that the Giants found them in the state of a general let-down.

Granting that the team might have been in a general slump, that the star pitchers were disheartened by the lack of support and that the whole team was stale, the American League champions ought to be in better shape this year because they had more than two weeks to break the strain after they had won the pennant and the same time in which to prepare themselves for the pennant.

Perhaps the strain which forced the Giants to go their limit until almost the last minute of the season, will have the same effect that it worked on the Yankees last year, although John McGraw has said in the past that he preferred to keep his club going at top speed instead of allowing them to let down and then getting them back on edge again.

Managers and players of rival clubs in the American League have expressed the opinion that the Yanks are a greatly improved ball club and they pointed out that the easy victory of the New Yorkers in the pennant race was not due to any real decrease in the strength of the contending clubs, but was the result of the great improvement in the champions.

While everything depends upon the mental factor on the Yankee team, it will be of no importance with the Giants. Two impressive victories over the Yanks which forced the Giants to go their limit until almost the last minute of the season, will have the same effect that it worked on the Yankees last year, although John McGraw has said in the past that he preferred to keep his club going at top speed instead of allowing them to let down and then getting them back on edge again.

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Chance for Jackson.

Travis Jackson, the young shortstop who came to the Giants from the Little Rock club of the Southern Association, will be put to work in Heinie Groh, the veteran third baseman, should not be able to hold up during the series.

Jackson was called upon to fill the place of Dave Bancroft, the Giant captain, who was out for six weeks during the mid-season, and he gave promise of developing into a great player. He is a game kid, a good fielder and a fine hitter, and with more experience he might have been given a place as a regular.

Unless the Yanks should have a walk-away in the series, it is doubtful that any new players will be able to break into the lineup. Huggins, with the exception of Haines and Hendricks in the outfield, and Benny Bengough, a third string catcher, has no new material on the team.

Herb Pennock, former Red Sox southpaw, no doubt will be started in one game. He had a very good season and is almost sure that he will get a chance to pitch one of the games.

Huggins' Reserves.

For infield reserves Huggins has Mike McNally, a veteran, and Ernie Johnston, who was added to the White Sox asked waivers on him. Elmer Smith, hero of the 1920 world's series when he was playing with the Cleveland Indians, will get the first call for outfield duty in an emergency.

The Yanks have two young pitchers, Pivarski and Roettger, who may be called upon as ball-bearers if the Giants should get men with any of the star Yank pitchers.

"Mule" Watson, who came to the Giants from Boston in a mid-season deal, may also get a chance to do some pitching.

There is some hope for breaking training rules, however, and he may not be used unless it is absolutely necessary.

## NEW YORK HAS MONOPOLY ON WORLD SERIES

(United Press.)  
NEW YORK, Sept. 30.—Maintaining what has become almost a monopoly on the world's series, New York again will have a private fight for the championship of the baseball world when the Giants and the Yankees meet for the third successive year to decide the championship.

It is nothing new for one team to win three pennants in a row. The National League has seven such triple winners on record—Chicago in 1890, 1891 and 1892; Boston in 1891, 1892 and 1893; Baltimore in 1895 and 1896; Pittsburgh in 1901, 1902 and 1903; Chicago in 1906, 1907 and 1908 and New York in 1911, 1912 and 1913 and again ten years later in 1921, 1922 and 1923.

The feat of the Yankees in winning three pennants in a row is more of a novelty in the younger American League, however, as the Detroit Tigers, who won the championship in 1907, 1908 and 1909, were only clubs to do it in the past.

Never before, however, have the same two pennant winners engaged in the world's series three times in succession. The best previous mark was established in 1907 and 1908 when the Chicago Cubs and the Detroit Tigers met in the series. The only case in which two teams from the same city took part in the series was in 1906 when the Cubs and the White Sox had a private series in Chicago.

In winning the National League

O'Connell, cf; Kelly, cf; Kelly, 1b; Snyder, c; Gowdy, c;

Yankees:—Witt, cf; Dugan, rf; Ruth, rf; Pipp, R. Meusel, lf; Ward, 2b; Schang, c; Scott, ss.

Papyrus Arrived In New York Sat.

NEW YORK, Sept. 29.—Papyrus winner of the English Derby and matched to meet America's fastest race horse for a \$100,000 purse on October 20, arrived tonight on the Aquitania. He was in good condition on arrival, Basil Jarvis, his trainer said.

PROBABLE LINEUPS  
Giants:—Bancroft, ss; Groh, 3b; Frisch, 2b; Young, rf; E. Meusel, lf; Stengel, ch or