Horsemen Busy Getting Ready for the Bacing Stason.

LONG ISLAND TRACKS BUSTLE

theepahead, Gravesend and Belmont All Show Scenes that Delight the Eye and Set the Blood Daneing.

SPRING TRAINING IS INSPIRNG

NEW YORK, April 18.-On Long Island the horsemen are in the thick of proparations for the big New York racing season of 1908. Sheepshead Bay, Gravesend and Belmont Park are the three tracks where the tremendous task of preparing a thousand or more horses for racing is taken up by the thoroughbred trainers. These trainers are by no means just beginning their work of preparing, for the trainer's day is full of care and trouble from one year's end to another. He has weathered the winter storms, watched the lender 2year-olds doing their first preliminary gallops and looked carefully over the old horses in his string to see the chances of their going through another season and training well. The long months of shed work and indoor exercise are over and the bubiest time of the year is at hand for every horseman

It is doubtful if the morning scene at aither Sheepshead, Gravesend or Belmont Park, with its hundreds of horses exercising in the delightful early morning air, all the life and action of a great outdoor sport in its preliminary trials, would stir the heart of Governor Hughes or Wilbur F. Crafts, the reformer, for these have long since come to be regarded as men without certain gracious human traits that reflect all the brighter side of life. At anshead all the extensive improvements that were planned last year have been finished. The new track is completed in every detail. The new track has not been worked over to any great extent, the mafority of the training at Sheepshead Bay being done over the yearling track. The improvements in the grandstand have been completed and popular Sheepshead will be immensely attractive in its new dress and

Owners Eager at the Tracks,

E. R. Bradley is down at the track alnost every morning and is a keen watcher of everything that goes on. David Gideon is another who for many years has been one of the carliest of the rallbirds, and to this habit he owes much of his success in the early part of the season. James R. Keene is a frequent visitor to his stable

them over for improvement and commen- time. dation of Trainer Rewe's efforts. Colla in fine condition and his only blemish, the enlarged bock of last season, has al- James Rows and begun getting acquainted New York and Massachusetts next in line. most disappeared. The great string of 2- with the 2-year-olds of that string, exerrear-olds in Rowe's charge is the wonder cising them in the mornings and being on PIMLICO TRACK IS UP-TO-DATE and admiration of all the visitors to hand at any time for active duty. He has epshead Bay. Not many of the Keene the appearance of a very chunky, heavy Modern Improvements Made on the urses will be prepared for early events, youngster, but says that he can easily ride whably the earliest being Restigouche at 102. Under these conditions he will be and Gretna Green. Over at the big Whit- one of the stable's most valuable assets. mey barns at the end of the Futurity E. Dugan will ride first call for R. T. gates of the historic old Pimlico course on bet one can make at \$5. This would be course A. J. Joyner, the new trainer for Wilson, jr., and the horses of this string April 22, for its annual Bpring meeting, it effective. Many people have suggested Harry Payne Whitney, is getting aced with the stable that was left him by the late John W. Rogers. Here is another fine lot of 2-year-olds of royal eding, but few of them have been asked to do fast work up to the present time. Guard, by Hamburg, out of Endurance, by



stable's colors; J. L. McGinnis' thoroughly | farms throughout the country are repre-

Maryland Jockey club throws open the hold their own in the best company. of years.

Murphy's Big String.

One of the big strings at Gravesend is Jockey club decided to make some im- paper to any amount and which could be that of M. Murphy, in charge of James provements at the track and for the last used in the ring just the same as money, The big, upstanding youngster is Right Healey. The Murphy string is twenty- two months workmen have been busy at the bettor or bookmaker having a settle Guard, by Hamburg, out of Endurance, by Right: there is a brown colt by Clifford. out of Black Venus; a chestnut filly by

adopted, is to fix an even price admission and nothing pleases him so much as to useful looking bunch and many others have serted. Thirty-nine states and territories to all parts of the track. It is argued that have the 2-year-olds brought out to look been going along very lively for some are represented in the list, of which four- if the general admission was placed at \$5 teen have named but from one to four it would keep away the cheap betters, who Notter, the jockey who rides for the mares each. Kentucky, as usual, is the made the dollar field their haven.

Then, again, particular attention is to Keens stable this season, has reported to largest nominator, with 447 marcs, with be given to the people who enter the course, even though they should want to put up the \$5. Children and minors are to

Famous Old Course. BALTIMORE, Md., April 18 .- When the

be barred entirely, the purpose being to attract a clintele that can afford to gamble on a race track. There will also be a charge in the betting

ring. It may even go as far as to shut out the so-called pikers and fix the minimu in training at Belmont park already give will present a modern, up-to-date appear- doing away with the exchange of money. promise of being stake class and able to ance that it has not possessed in a score To accomplish this the bookmakers would have to organize and establish a sort of a

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mburg, out of Blue Girl, is in the royal Recent arrivals from the far west at of the prettiest south of New York. and another by Hamburg, out Gravesend were John Shields, Walter Jenof Irish Reel. Joyner is greatly pleased nings and Frank Regan. Shields has a with his new string and they are sure to promising 2-year-old in Fore Guard, by dock having adjoined the north side of the do him credit. He will still train the Belthe famous campaigner, Advance Guard, stand. This paddock is a roomy and most mont youngsters he had before the death John Hynes is one of the earliest of the comfortable looking place for the saddling of Mr. Rogers, but the Keene 2-year-olds trainers to show in the morning at Grave. of the runners. It has eighteen large have been curned over to Trainer Rowe. send and his horses have had plenty of stalls and ample space for the parade of Baby Wolf, the crack sprinter of the late fall season, is doing finely. Brookdalo good work. In addition to the string they the thoroughbreds before they are taken already had in training. Burlew & O'Neill to the track. Plenty of room is left for Nymph, Bar None and Sea Wolf of the have taken over the jumpers of Thomas spectators. older division are in fine fettle and there Bayonet, Judge O'Gin, Judge Post and itend, are the new offices of the club, a provision is made for noncompetitive dis-Hitchcock, jr., including California King, are great things in prospect for the popular "blue, brown cap" the coming season. Algelone. Angelus, in the Burlew & Jockeys' room, and rooms for club mem-

Some Promising Colts. O'Neill string, is jointly owned by them bers. The offices are located on the first The old Joiner stable is in charge of its former foreman, J. Schlosser, who is a care- and Mr. Hitchcock.

ful horseman. The 3-year-old Hessian is in this lot and is likely to be an early horse for this year, instead of a late one as last and Sheepshead Bay, but the trainers there are getting busy, especially in the last season. Lady Winifred, who was some-what disappointing, is also in this string, as are Rialto, Golden Pearl and several very and ready to run. One of the big strings at Beimont park is that of Paul Rainey, alsing 2-year-old fillies.

The stabling at Sheepshead Bay is all in charge of William Garth, twenty-four in taken up for the big strings that are yet number. Outside of the many promising to come, and these are showing up daily 2-year-olds, the jumpers attract a great deal from the south and the far west. William of attention. Persevenance, T. S. Martin, Gerst is settled in his quarters with seven- Sanctus and Vervane all are in tip-top conteen head. Matt Byrnes has a number yet dition. Another big string of jumpers is to dome. Frank Brown and Ed Heffner that of Silas Veitch, in which are Alfar, have arrived from New Orleans with the Bandy Creeker, Palm, Hayseed, Fallaheen horses they have raced there during the and others.

winter season

Only Eight Declared Out.

Girl., from the barn of C. R. Ellison, which

leaves Temaceo to represent that turfman;

Chalfonte, who was the representative of

P. T. Chinu, and Transvaal, one of the

three named from the stable of James H.

the vice chairman of the Jockey club.

3-year-olds, being assigned 111 pounds.

There have been only eight declarations At Gravesend the big stables have had perfect training conditions for many weeks from the Excelsion handicap which will be except for a few days of had weather and run on the opening day of the Jamates Spring meeting, to begin on April 29. They the horses there will be among the most forward for the early race meetings. The are as follows: Montgomery and Tony big Burlew & O'Nelli stable, Tom Weish, Faust, from the Hildreth stables; Lawrence Frank Weir, Frank Taylor's formidable P. Daley and Johnnie Blake, which comlot, which will race in the Patchogue posed the Cook entry; A. J. Joyner's well known campaigner, Cairngorm: Yankee



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tioned. . There will no longer be that lavish A new paddock has been built on the display of money, nor will the rough and south side of the grand stand, the old pad- cheap element be catered to.

PARADE TEAMS AT THE OLYMPIAD

Arrangements for Display by Noncom petitive Organizations. LONDON, April 18.-The British Olympic

association calls attention to the fact that the gymnastic competitions to be held

Adjoining the paddock, toward the grand at the Stadium from July 13 to July 25 plays by teams, whether men or women, and commemorative medals will be given floor and the jockeys' quarters above. A to all who take part in any of these dis-Over at Belmont park nothing like the gallery has been provided for those boys plays, the rules for which are as follows: who are compelled to remain in the jock-

The time allotted to any society, institu-tion, gymnasium or club will be a period of forty-five minutes, except by special permission of the British Olympic council. In front of the stand the promenade has In front of the stand the promense has been laid with brick, and a new judges stand has taken the place of the oid and unaightly affair which obstructed the view of so many persons in the stand at former meetings. Numerous new stables have been built and accommodations are now provided for upward of 600 horses. The track itself has been greatly improved.

### Four Hundred Thousand Dollars Of-

eys' room when not riding.

fered on Northern Tracks. TORONTO, Ont. April 18 .- Fully, \$400,000

will be distributed in prizes and stakes on the Canadian racing circuit this season, the first meeting being held by the Ontario Jockey club, which opens, May 23 and continues to June 6, inclusive. From Toronto the horses will go to Montreal and Hamilton, which sgain have con-

flicting dates. Kenilworth follows, with a thirty-day meeting, and then the new Niagara Jockey club opens its inaugural meeting at the reconstructed Fort Eria track. The purses here, as at the Ontario and Montreal meetings, will amount to \$75.000, both the stakes and overnight handicaps being increased.

Keens. This will leave Greins Green and Superman as the bearers of the colors of The improvements at Fort Eric track The Patchogue stable entry, Nealon and of the grand stand, new stables and re-Charles Edward, head the list, with 126 and construction of the tracks. A apur from 124 pounds, respectively, while Dr. Gardner the Grand Trunk railway is being carried is assigned third place with 123 pounds up to the grand stand to save a half-mile Rifleman will carry top weight among the walk, and a special train will be run from Toronto daily, as for the Hamilton meet-

# KENTUCKY FUTURITY FILLS BIG

Ninetenth Renewal. NEW YORK, April 18 .- Secretary Horace

Comes Out of Agitation. Wilson has given out the official list of mares nominated in the sineteenth renewal of the \$21,000 Kentucky futurity, which closed March 16, and the total is 1.177 marcs. This is not the record entry for the futurity, as it has been beaten four times, yet it probably represents the largest perany future attack on the sport. centage of select troiting mairons ever

gathered together in the history of the troiting turf. Secretary Wilson is delighted club and the various tracks it. New York with this great list of nearly 1,200 marcs. have been discussing reforms which they admitted were necessary. When the fight It is the choicest list ever named. The largest nominator is the famous trol- waxed warm these people began to realize ting nursery, Walnut Hall farm, Dunerall, that the betting same has been conducted Ky., which names an even 100 of 118 too openly. Just what has been planned in mairons, in foal to Moko, Walnut Hall, the way of reforms cannot be learned at NEW YORK FIGHT CLUB FEELS BIG

2.05%, the young Omone and others. A close second is the big Patchen Wilks farm of W. E. D. Stokes, at Lexington, Ky., with tinety-two of the royal marce, mostly of and the price of admission raised so that Onward blood, bred to futurity winner only the people who are comfortably able to paironize racing will be catered to. Peter the Great; J. J. Auduben, Axtellion. Mighty Onward, and other sires. Third on the list is the New England farm of William Russell Allen, Fittsfield, Mass.,

with thirty-five mares. The Empire City farms of William Simpson & Son at Cuba, to sacrifice even this bla item so as to tion ... N. Y., comes next with thirty of its grand band of mares, equally divided by between evil.

CANADIANS HANG UP BIG PURSES FINE COLT BORN IN THE PURPLE Beldame Presents Belmont String with Important Addition. NEW YORK, April 18 .- An Item of interest to those who are fond of the thorsughbred is conveyed in the news which has just reached this city that the famous

mare Beldame has foaled a bay colt by imported Rock Sand at the nursery stud of August Reimont, near Lexington, Ky, The youngster is said to be a fine and well grown colt and his future will be watched with a great deal of interest. Rock Sand cost his owner \$125,000 in England two years ago, and Beldame's foal is one of the first sired by the famous English horse since his arrival in this country. Rock Sand was a very great race horse

in his native country, winning among other races the English Dorby, St. Leger and are very extensive, including a rebuilding the Two Thousand Guineas. He is therefore one of the few winners of the classitriple event of the English turf.

## DAN KELLY TO JOIN N. Y. A.

Oregon Sprinter Will Wear the Cherry Diamond.

NEW YORK, April 18.-There is a persis Almost 1,000 Are Entered for the NO PLACE FOR PIKERS TO PLAY tent rumor in athletic circles that Dan Kelly, the former Oregon sprinter, has One Betting Reform in New York signed an application for athletic member-

ship in the New York Athletic club. If NEW YORK. April 18 .- Having scored the Kelly should take this step it will bring first knockdown in the battle against the him under the wing of Bernie Wefers, anti-betting crusaders, the racing associa- holder of one of the records Kelly is suptions naturally feel confident of a complete posed to have tied. It is no secret that victory, and have started in already to Wefers does not believe that the Oregon strongthen themselves, so to speak, against sprinter ever ran 320 yards in .21%, but it is now up to the Georgetown man to do his

While the fight was being waget at best to fit Kelly to do the trick. No matter Albany the representatives of the justicy what Kelly does in the running line, he will prove a most valuable man at Travers Island, as there is little doubt but that he in the greatest broad jumper on the cor tinent

Success with Its First Match Encourages Its Promoters.

NEW YORK, April 18.-The National Athistic club, which opened its fistic career with the Wolgast-Moran bout, will arrange The racing associations realize that with to bring Abe Attell and Owen Moran to the abolition of the cheap field they will gother some time next month. The speedy cut off a source of revenue that brought draw that these two feathers fought out opponent in this scrap will be "Brooklyn thousands of dollars into the box office on the coast has whetted the appetites of Tommy" Sullivan, who is the only puglist every day. But the track owners are ready custern sports for a taste of the combina- who has a credit of a knockout over him They will come together in a twenty-round

aliance the ciamor against the betting Attell fights Tommy Sullivan out west at bout at 123 pounds, weigh in at 5 p. m the end of this month and then he will be The content will be brought off by the might McKinney and the cold trotting sire. One plan that was suggested early in the frye to sign up with the shifty English. San Francisco Athletic club, and Billy Arworthy. A number of other prominent year, and while is very likely to be man if he chooses. Haretyfors Attait had Roche will referee R.



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held out for a weight above the featherweight limit, but Harvey says he can adjust that matter to suit all parties concerned.

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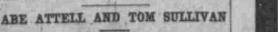
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FIGHT ON LONGBOAT GETS WARM

All Canada Gets Behind the Fleet but Frail Indian.

NEW YORK, April IS.-If the Amateur Athletic union over does succeed in having Tom Longboat, the Canadian Indian run ner, barred from the Olympic games at Shepherd's Bush next July, it will be in the face of the stiffest kind of opposition. It has not only to buck against the Canadian Amateur Athletic union, but, seemingly, against the Dominion government itself in a way. P. J. Mulqueen, one of the three men appointed by the governor general of Canada as the Olympic committee of that country, declared recently that the governor general is backing the disoredited runner and will see to it that he starts in the Marathon.



Match of Feathers at 'Frinco for Last Night in April.

SAN FRANCISCO, Aril 18 .- Abe Attell, the little featherweight champion, has signed articles for another battle to be fought here on the night of April 20. His **Baker Bros. Engraving Co.** 

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