

ENGLAND DECLINES CONTEST

Oxford-Cambridge Men Will Not Meet American Athletes.

FALL BACK ON A TIME-TRIED EXCUSE

Annular Standing of Yankee Colleges Given as a Reason for Not Accepting the Invitation for a Trial.

All lovers of amateur sport will sincerely regret that our English cousins have thrown a few buckets of cold water on the scheme to bring about a meeting in track and field athletics between the winners of the annual games of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association of American and the victors in the annual games between Oxford and Cambridge universities.

The letter from this side was written by Oliver Shiras of Cornell, president, and H. W. Howe of Harvard, and S. K. Gerard of Yale, on behalf of the Intercollegiate Athletic Association of America. It assured the Oxford-Cambridge athletic authorities that none but bona fide students and student amateurs would be eligible to compete in the games and that any suggestions, amendments or alterations desired by the Oxford-Cambridge men would be gladly considered.

It is the privilege of the Britons to decline to enter the contest, and no one can gainsay that they have merely exercised their natural prerogative. All of us, on the other hand, are entitled to our own conclusions as to why the Englishmen do not care to compete with the cream talent of our collegiate athletes.

It would be well to remember that the loss of what would be a splendid opportunity to create a meeting of track and field athletes one cannot but wonder why such a mighty fuss is always raised about securing an international, intercollegiate athletic contest.

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terms could be arranged Coach Robinson would doubtless come back for another year, but it is hardly probable that Nebraska will be fortunate enough to secure him.

W. H. Oury, manager of last season's football team at the University of Nebraska, has received an official notice from the office of the adjutant general in Washington that his name has been selected for the army.

The annual games given under the auspices of the Boston College Athletic Association on Monday evening were a great success. Representatives were present from eleven colleges, seventeen preparatory schools and eighteen athletic associations.

Burning memories of the loss of the 1897 football game to Yale, when everyone was looking for a mighty triumph for Princeton, has not been forgotten by Coach Cochran, captain of the Jersey team.

Another blow has been dealt the Amateur Athletic Union of America by the Intercollegiate Association of America against the Amateur Athletic Union in the registration matter.

The Chicagoans are about to discard the white stockings they have given the team its name. President Hart does not like them, after they get dirty, and a new color will be provided.

James A. Hart suggests that as Nick Young has received about 600 applications from would-be recruits, it is time to raise a regiment, with Tim Hurst as colonel, and send it to Cuba.

While Omaha failed to get home games on the Fourth of July and Decoration day, a close examination of the schedule indicates that the club fares fairly well when the entire season is considered.

export demand is so strong and there are so many foreign countries buying our horses that we have no difficulty in disposing of our surplus. We already have a very strong export demand from England, France, Norway, Denmark, Sweden, and some of our horses go to Italy, Austria, and South America.

Mike F. Dwyer, turfman and plunger, was reported in the east as dying last week, and about the time that some of the papers were printing notices of his death in New York.

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It would be a serious misfortune if it should turn out that Tucker is unable to handle the two National League men are known to constitute first-class material and Hagerman is likely to turn out well.

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ago. His first sign of importance was with bare knuckles with one "Shenny" George, whom he defeated in two rounds, when he was 17 years of age.

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