How One President Has Solved the - Gymnasium Question-

CORNELL'S ATHLETES ARE KEEPING BUSY

Annual Chees Match Between Columbin, Harvard, Yale and Princeton Will Come off During Christmas Bolidays,

New York, faced difficulties, as all phys- ginning of their annual cruise. leal directors have to face them, but now, by persuasion and rewards, he has come MYSTERY OF SILVER CUPS near to solving the problem, at least to some extent. His dealrs, and the desire of all school men, is that every pupil and stu- Trensured Ware of the Warship dent should wish to develop brawn, which has so great an effect on the development of brain. In Adelphi academy the practice prevailed, until a few years ago, of forcing every male pupil to engage in athletic exercises. Many boys, however, shirked it, were a hotel its officers and men would be and their parents encouraged them, pre- in a position to philosophize over the fact ferring, they said, that their sons should that the world is pretty much the same all take their exercise in the open air-it was over. But as it is their hearts are full of so much better, they claimed, than the air grief, with a possible bit of resentment of the gymnashum. Those boys were the added.

The Denver was in Havana harbor durwas, therefore, decided to try another plan ing the uncertain time when Prosident Medals for Good Work.

ercises. Dr. Pettit has prepared a schedule, given on board. The chivalry, beauty, cuition and the rewards. Thus the bronze the captain, who was made the recipient. on the parallel bars, chin the bar five from his Havana admirers. who are working for the buttons and miration of friends. medals have increased in number and the This incident will make the proprietors silver medal will be won by at least one of hotels, restaurants and cafes in America The bronze medal holders have increased grin appreciatively. is the purpose of all athletics for boys.

Cornell's Cross-Country Teams. selected the captains for their cross-countitis kind. try team. An intercollege race will soon be held for the Ehrich cup offered by an as the wadding for an editorial thunderalumnus to the college winning the event. bolt. We wish merely to remark that it The interclass foot ball series to decide will ease the minds of the officers of the the championship of the university and Denver if they will bear in mind the fact also the placing of the class numerals on that "there are others" and forget all the Beehan Trophy cup was won and about the cups. They're gone, anyway.-awarded the 1909 class, which defeated Cleveland Leader. both the freshmen and senior classes. The board track just outside of the university gymnasium has been completed for winter me, and Trainer Jack Meakley intends to keep his men in trim throughout the season. At a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Intercollege A. A. A. A. the intercollegiate pole vault record of eleven feet ten and three-fourth inches made at the last intercollegiate meet was son, '68 of Cornell.

Annual Chess Contest. tan. Except that the two referees, W. H. infantry division of the state militia. Napier and H. Holms, have been named, not ready for general distribution. C. Curt grounds. The old guns and relics will rewill not be able to again act as director main, as will also all buildings on the resof play. As members of the committee of ervation. The government will maintain graduates, the following retain their post- any of the buildings not used by the state tion as official managers of the tourns- troops. For the use of the fort and reserment: E. A. Keeler, Columbia; W. Catchings, Harvard; J. L. Lockwood, jr., Yale; \$1 a year. J. B. Hunt, Princeton; Edward A. Cas-well, Yale, 6, secretary, 39 John street, Manhattan; Cleveland H. Dodge, Princeion, '79, treasurer. Harvard was the winper last year, which made the record of the series: Harvard, 2; Columbia, 4; Yale, by the British, disclosed them to the del: Princeton, 0. The forthcoming tournanent, therefore, is the fifteenth. Jose R. Capablanca at the head of its team, Cofumbia is nopeful of once more carrying off chief honors. Last Saturday the New Yorkers were subjected to a severe trying out in the match at the \$1/2 to 11/2, they were not discouraged. Harvard's Coming Crew.

the present, with the future. The launches doats taken up both at Weld and University Boat clubs, a preliminary to the idle midyear examinations. The new Weld club use will hardly be ready for occupancy by the spring, and the erd house will be left on the present temporary site. The considered up to the average, and the more optimistic look for a more successful season than the one just closed. Six mem- was secretary of war in Washington's cab- explanation the killer could give was that bers of last year's crew and three from inet the four-oar will be available. remising material is in sight, including Faulkner and Lunt of last year's freshmen ight, the two substitutes who were taken to England with the crew last summer. greater than usual amount of rowing material for 1907 is expected, owing to the continuation of the interdormitory race system inaugurated last year. This has ramparts of the fort have kept a tireless berman at the latter's camp in the Min- kills anyone in mistake for game. Which proved successful in keeping the men on the river in greater numbers this fall than at any previous time in the history of Crimson rowing. In addition, the bumping races and graded crew contests have afforded opportunities for the budding watermen to pursue the sport to any extent de-

Navy in the Big Regrae's. The rowing authorities of the United States Naval academy are to ask Secretary of the Navy Bonaparts for permission. Poughkeepsie. This is practically the first | New York Tribune.

step toward getting both Annapolls and SPORT AT THE BIG SCHOOLS west Point in the Hudson river June regatta. In the event of Secretary Bonaparte refusing to give his official permission, it is the intention of the rowing forces of the Bevern to make some arrangement by which an annual race with Cornell will be had. Annapolis was unusually successful in a rowing way last year, and next season will have even a stronger crew. Only two members of last season's eight will be out of the boat. The embryo admirals have arranged a big schedule of races for next year, and they include matches against Yale, Columbia, Georgetown, Pennsylvania and probably Harvard. Should Harvard row it will be its first appearance on the river Severn. The only The physical directors and instructors drawback to the possibility of Annapolis in schools and colleges have given and are going to Poughkeepsie, aside from any giving considerable thought as to how best official disapproval, is the fact that the to develop all the physical faculties of naval cadets graduate early in June and boys and men, and how to encourage their are then obliged to go on their first cruise pupils to follow the line of training neces- to polish off their seamanship work. To sary to that development. Dr. Henry & perfect the Poughkeepsle arrangements it Pettit of the Adelphi College and Academy, would be necessary to postpone the be-

Denver Swiped During a Reception.

If the United States warship Denver

and to appeal to the boys' self-esteem. Palma was coming to the conclusion that This plan has worked well, but still some the revolutionists had more men and guns boys refuse to accept instructions and to than he did. Its commander, Captain Colsubmit to the discipline required of those well, by his tact and advoitness, did much who would be proficient in general athletics. toward preventing an outbreak which would have berne serious consequences. The Cu-Dr. Pettit's plan is to develop the whole bans appreciated his services and the rebody. He does not believe in producing lations established between the officers of specialists in running or jumping or putting his ship and the best society of Havana the shot. His purpose is to encourage the were the most cordial. It was no more boys to become all-around athletes. As than natural, therefore, that, on the eve an incentive the trustees have furnished of the Denver's departure for the north, buttons and medals for four classes of e - a reception and ball should have been carefully thought out, which every boy ture and wealth of the Cuban capital were must follow and complete to win recogni- there. Everybody was happy, including button class must be able to dip five times on this occasion, of a handsome gold watch

times, put the shot twenty feet, high jump | Before the gay company broke up Capfour feet, fence vault four feet three inches, tain Colwell bethought him to count his mat, cartwheel, horizontal pars, knee circle, silverware. To his horror he discovered parallel bars, dip and straddle across bars, that several cups of the magnificent silrings, one leg cut and catch, pole wault six ver service, given to the ship by the city feet. The bronze medal class is next, the of Denver on the occasion of its christensilver medal class third and the gold medal ing, were missing. With resolution, but class is fouth. In this last named class a much diplomatic phrasing, he made a bey must dip twenty times, chin the bar speech from the quarterback, amnouncing twenty times, put the shot thirty-one feet, the fact and asking for the return of the on high jump five feet, fence vault five "souvenirs." But, sad to relate, the cups feet ten inches, do a back somersault on were not forthcoming and the Denver had the mat, horizontal half giant swing, on to sail without them. Doutless they have parallel bars swing to hand stand, on the since been displayed with satisfaction by rings swing and pull to rest both sides, some of the Havana grandees-we do not pole vault eight feet six inches. The boys venture to guess at the sex-for the ad-

from one last year to seven this, and phrase, they have all "been there" many so on. There is great rivalry and each boy a time and will be many more times. Not tries to outdo the other. The plan has a few tourists and vacationists consider worked satisfactorily thus far and the re- the silverware and glassware of the places suit is seen in the better poise of the pu- where they are entertained legitimate mapils. They are strong, agile, skillful and terial with which to satisfy their incan endure a large amount of work. This satiable appetite for souvenirs. If nothis certain to be beneficial in their man- ing else is available door keys to which hood, when they go into the world, which brass checks are attached was smade to answer the purpose. Some nice peopleagain we refrain from particularizing as to All the colleges in Cornell university sex-have quite interesting collections of

We do not intend to use these few fact

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> The Baltimore regiments will drill and vation Maryland will pay the United States

> The Stars and Stripes will continue float from the old ramparts as they did on that memorable September morning in 1814. when the rising sun, plercing the smoke of battle during the bombardment of the fort lighted view of Key, imprisoned on one of the British warships, and inspired him to write "The Star Spangled Banner."

The land of which Fort McHenry is a part was taken up in 1861 under the name of Whetstone Point, under patent by Charles Gersuch, a member of the Society Brooklyn Chess club. Though beaten by of Friends. Its importance as a military fort was early recognized and in 1755 it had been strengthened by the construction of Work has been given up for the year by a water battery, then impregnable, honey-Harvard watermen, and the interest in combed by magasines and secret under- from Indiana came into northern Minthis division of Crimson sports lies, for ground passageways. This battery still stands intact, facing the water approaches have been drawn out of the water and the of this city from the south. The following west for years, fast friends and tent-mates, year, in preparation of a visit from the and accounted deacons of woodcraft. The British, a boom was constructed between second day after their arrival at their season that will intervene until after the Whetstone Point and the Lazaretto and a hunting ground one of them stood in the great chain supported by twenty-one decryard of their farmer host and shot sunken bay vessels was stretched across the other, who was coming through some the entrance to the harbor. The fort re- thick brush not eighty rods away. mained under the control of the state until stricken man was dead before the friend prospects for Harvard rowing in 1907 are 1798, when it was turned over to the na- who had shot him, and who learned of tional government and named in honor of his awful mistake through his companion's Colonel James McHenry of Maryland, who death-ory, could reach him, and the only

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Bulk of the Killing and Wounding Done During Open Season for Big Game-Criminal Folly in Use

of Firearms.

There is admittedly some occult influences in politics which ofttimes forces decent men engaged in it to lose all sense of decency-at least so far as the practice of the art political is concerned. And all men are agreed that there is that about horsetrading that divorces honest men from nonesty, at least while engaged in that acientific pursuit. And, after many years' residence in a northwestern frontier country, the writer has about arrived at the conclusion that there is something, he knows not how to name it, about the huntsense, at least while the blood-just of the chase is in their hearts, and, so far

The bulk of this killing and wounding is mon sense goes not with big game hunting. done while the "open season" for big game is on in the states, but isolated instances are by no means infrequent in all three at other times. And the doers of these deeds of blood are by no means solely of the "tenderfoot" class. Time and again they prove to be men of old use and wont as hunters, and who would be thought to have learned caution as well as skill in the use of guns. But on them the obsession of the big game hunt seems to work as fully as on the veriest tyro. Else how can several following cases in point, as the lawyers say, be accounted for? "Thought It Was a Deer."

nesota for a deer hunt, two of them being sportamen who had hunted all over the

he "thought it was a deer." The slayer, In 1794, with funds raised by public sub- by the way, is an incurable maniac today, scription, a great five-star fort of brick, Common sense would have told him that cement and earth was erected, whose our- no deer could possibly be where he thought geons in the civil war became the prison he saw one, but, as was said before, comof some of the most prominent citizens of mon sense and big game hunting go not And again: A mighty hunter of deer from a western city was a guest of a lum-In times of peace they have nesota pineries, and carried a loaded rine fact, it would seem, would force hunters

gleamed resplendent in their cloak of green. into the camp one evening. It was a ham- to take counsel of common sense when In times of war they have frowned definince meriess, high-power gun, and several of the men passed it about for examination, The old fort is now so close to this city finally laying it on the dining table, on that an invading force, safely out of reach one side of which the host was sitting at of its guns, might easily bombard Balti- supper. The owner of the gun picked it and Minnesota is not one whit behind more at will. New forts more sultably lo- up to put it away, and shot his host them cated and with modern equipments have through the heart, killing him instantly. been constructed to cope with the great He could give no explanation whatever of true," but the fact remains that there is warships of the day, and the usefulness of how the gun was discharged, and was that about big game hunting that divests the old fort, even as an inner defense, has heart-broken over the accident, of course, sensible men of common sense and makes collegiate association 'warsity race at in history, linked with the national song. him under any circumstances to take a roamed American forests.—New loaded gun into a house, or to point one, Times.

loaded or unloaded, at any human beingit was sorely needed. Got Rabbit and Man.

small game, such as rabbits, squirrels or birds with ammunition that will drive a ullet two miles, which builet the small

say nothing of stopping it. And yet a hunter very recently shot at a rabbit while passing through a bunch of timber where fifty men were at work, using a rifle with a high velocity, smokeless powder cartridge. Whether he got the rabbit or not is not known. He did get one of the men, however, the poor fellow living for about a week after stopping the builet.

Common sense would forbid shooting at anything whatever that the shooter could not positively swear to. And yet a farmer of Aitkin county, Minnesota, Daniel Armstrong by name, who was out nunting s short time ago in company of a neighbor, was done to death by the latter, because common sense was not a member of the party. The friends had wounded a moose and were following it by means of the blood trail it left, when they came to a swamp within which they thought it might be hiding. Armstrong started to go around the swamp, leaving his neighbor at the edge so as to bring down the moose should as the bulk of those engaging in it are he start it up. But before poor Armstrong concerned, for the time between their had gone far one of his shoestrings became the program for the three days' play is have camp practice on the old parade reaching the hunting grounds and leaving untied and he stopped and stooped to fasten them. For on no other ground can the it. Now, nothing on earth looks less like undisputed fact that every year at least a man than does a moose, yet the neigh-100 men are killed or wounded in mistake bor, watching intently, caught sight of for deer or moose, or slain or mangled as Armstrong's cap through the boush and the result of criminal folly in the use of took it for an ear of the moose moving. firearms, in the states of Michigan, Min- And he fired. Armstrong left a wife and nesota and Wisconsin, be accounted for. two children to mourn-the fact that com-

Common Sense Departs.

Common sense, again, would impel a man participating in a deer "drive," where guns are many and the area of fire brief, to remain where he is posted by the man in charge of the ceremonies until all danger was past. And yet among a party of hunters who organized a drive recently were a father and a son, the latter of whom killed the former with the first shot fired, because the father did not remain where the head huntsman placed him. The manner of a deer drive, as practiced in this country, is this: A dry swamp is located, into which runways of the deer Several years ago a party of gentlemen lead. The guns are so posted as to command all points of exit, and one of the party walks through the swamp, aiming to drive out such deer as may be couchant there. In this case the elder man, an arbitrary and an irascible, became dissutisfied with his location and plunged into the swamp, intent on changing it to suit himself. His son shot him through the stomach, the builet being one of those devillab little "soft-nose" inventions that expand and tear frightfully, and the father lived for ten hours, begging all in hearing to kill him and put him out of his agony. There was no medical aid to be had from a less distance than fifty miles, and though of course it was sent for, it could not arrive in time to be of any use. The unfortunate son is now in close ward, a victim of suicidal mania-all because cor sense and big game hunting never did go

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