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Ohio and Mississippi Floods will Cause Immigration to the Northwest. California Represented by Three Combinations in the East.

JACK DEMPSEY IN PORTLAND, OREGON. All-around Sporting Notes.—Baseball Season Opening.

Jack Davis will come to the coast in about two weeks. Peter Jackson will be among his California friends in a very short time.

The Alameda Olympic Club will give its monthly party on the 18th inst. Twenty-five Olympic athletes are training on the new grounds of the club.

Hugh W. Colender, the veteran billiard player, died in New York on April 1st. Jim Fell is still on the Constock; looking for battle with a local heavyweight.

William K. Vanderbilt's stables at Oakdale, L. I., are completed. Cost \$400,000. The members of the Acme Club are contemplating a cross-country run in the near future.

The Oakland and Alameda tennis-players are practicing daily for the coming contests. At the recent Louisville, Ky., disaster, Chas. E. Davies and Peter Jackson had a narrow escape.

Senator Morgan's bicycle team has disbanded, several of the members retiring to private life. President Hammond of the Olympic Club tips Jim Corbett as a sure winner of a four-round go with Sullivan.

Jack Dempsey is in Portland and will watch for the outcome of the "Marine". Young Mitchell's battle with an anxious eye.

Tom White of Chicago, and Billy Brennan have signed articles to fight in May in Chicago, at 128 pounds, for \$300 a side. Joe Choynski is taking a rest prior to starting in for his training to meet Jack Davis at the Occidental Club next month.

The Dayton, Ohio, Athletic Club have arranged a glove fight between Jack Bolan of Cincinnati, and Billy Corcoran of Pittsburg. A cockburn's aged bay horse Jersey won the Nottingham Spring Handicap of 500 sovereigns, at Nottingham, England, on April 1.

W. Halpin of the New Jersey Athletic Club, who has a record of 23 feet for a running broad jump, leaves for Europe in a short time. Richmond, Va., sports are in high glee, now that a bill has been passed to allow glove contests. Pugilism is booming and no mistake.

The directors of the Olympic Club will hold a meeting on next Monday evening, and on May 5th the club will see its thirtieth anniversary. It seems now to be a sure thing that Corbett will meet Sullivan in the next two weeks. In the meantime Jim will have a go at Dominick McCaffery.

The National Athletic Club, a prominent amateur organization of Brooklyn, N. Y., at a recent meeting unanimously elected Richard K. Fox an honorary member. The great chess player, Max Judd, is expected to arrive in St. Louis about April 11, when the minor details of his match with Showalter for a \$500 stake will be arranged.

Gaudaur says he will be most happy to row Hanlan, ex-champion of the world, a three-mile race any time before July 1, '90, for as much money as Mr. Hanlan wants to row for up to \$5,000. Mike Lucio has been granted six weeks leave of absence by the Golden Gate Club, in order to allow him to accompany "The Marine" on his Eastern sporting tour. They give their first exhibition at Leadville, Col.

The baseball season will be an interesting one, and the struggle between the players of the Brotherhood and the National League will create no little interest. Which of the two rival organizations will make or break themselves November next will decide. The young ladies of the class '91, of the Packer Collegiate Institute, Brooklyn, N. Y., have formed an athletic club. They exercise regularly in the gymnasium and engage in long walks or tricycle rides on Saturdays. They have not yet decided to give athletic games.

The great English Collie dog, Christopher, according to an English sporting sheet, which was first in the recent London Collie dog show, has it stated, been sold to Mr. Michael Harrison of the Chestnut Hill Kennels, Philadelphia for \$1,000, the highest price ever paid for a collie. California is now represented by three sporting combines in the East. Big and little McMillan, under the management of Billy Madden, Murphy and Gibbons under the management of "Parson" Abraham, and George La Blanche and Mike Lucio who are being piloted by Phil Sostinger.

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