

THE CREW IMPROVES.

Poughkeepsie Finally Chosen—Wisconsin Race Hoped For.

It is now officially stated that the Yale-Cornell-Harvard race will be rowed on the Hudson, June 24. The Yale quarters will be at the Stuyvesant Place, where Columbia has been lodged during the last two years. It is situated on the east bank about one and one half miles below the start. Harvard will be located on the western bank the same distance above the start, and Cornell has her quarters in the city of Poughkeepsie.

The University of Wisconsin at first decided that it would be impossible owing to financial difficulties to send a crew to New Haven in reply to the invitation of the Yale management, mentioned already in the Weekly. Since then a mass meeting has been held and the necessary funds appropriated for the expenses of the trip. The Western crew is very much set against allowing the Yale Freshmen to enter the race, and upon this question negotiations are now being carried on. The date set for the event is May 29, and it will take place either on the Harbor or Lake Saltonstall. The proposed course is two miles in length. There is considerable reason to expect that a satisfactory race of all three crews will be arranged.

The work of the University crew has been favored by better conditions of wind and weather during the past week and a corresponding improvement in the rowing has been noticed. The boat has run much more smoothly, the men row together better and in fact the whole crew has steadied down to more careful and thorough work. The four mile course was rowed on time for the first time in the shell this year, and the results are said to have been very satisfactory for this stage in the training. The time was not especially fast, but the steadiness and endurance shown by the oarsmen from start to finish raised the hopes of Yale's success to a higher point than they have yet reached this season. An oarsman of two seasons back, who has been watching the Oxford and Cambridge crews in England during their training this season, followed the Yale men in the launch one day last week, and gave his opinion that they were doing very well, much better than the current reports would seem to indicate.

The order of the crew is unchanged, being as follows: Stroke, Langford; No. 7, Griswold; No. 6, Allen; No. 5, Bailey; No. 4, Greenway; No. 3, Campbell; No. 2, Whitney; bow, Rogers.

Military Trip to Fort Hancock.

With the view of showing the Senior Academic and Scientific military companies some of the elements of the proposed system of coast defense of the United States, Lieutenant Murray is arranging to take such members of the companies as have shown an interest in military affairs on a trip to Fort Hancock, Sandy Hook, New Jersey. Permission has been obtained from the necessary authorities to make this trip and a fast government boat, the General Muggs, has been procured from the United States Quartermaster's Department to take the party from New York city to the Fort and return. Some experimental firing of heavy guns will probably be shown to the men. The grounds and seacoast fortifications at the Hook have never been open to the public, and permission may never be given again except for distinct military purposes.

The trip will probably be made on Wednesday, May 12. Lieut. Murray is now negotiating with the Quartermaster about the hours and the minor details of the trip.

Spalding's New Baseball Guide.

Spalding's Baseball Guide for 1897, which has just been published, contains a complete record of all the games played by the leading colleges during 1896, and portraits of the most prominent college baseball teams of the country. The new playing rules have the alterations and amendments printed in italics, so as to be easily distinguished, and the list of averages of all the leagues and associations are very complete. Besides the college portraits, the book contains pictures of all the leading teams of the country, embracing altogether nearly 500 separate photos. The Guide will be sent to any address by the American Sports Publishing Co., 241 Broadway, New York.

READY FOR PRINCETON.

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Nathaniel S. Reeves is a member of the Sophomore class, and comes from Brooklyn, N. Y. He prepared for College at the Brooklyn High School, and while there was a member of the Decatur Debating Society. In College, he won first prize in the Freshman debates, and this year secured second prize in the interclass debating contest. This is his first appearance in an intercollegiate debate. He is twenty-one years old.

Robert F. Stirling, '97, is a native of Blairsville, Pa. He prepared for College at Kiskiminetas, Pa., Academy, and took an active part in debating while there. At Princeton, he won the Freshman debates and the class of '76 prize debate the next year. This year he won first prize in the Baird Disputation contest, and also the Decoubertin prize medal for excellence in debate in the Inter-Hall contest. In 1896, Mr. Stirling was alternate in the Yale-Princeton debate, and spoke against Harvard last Fall. Besides debating, he is a prominent athlete, being a member of the Mott Haven track team for two years.

Howard H. Yocum, '98, of Columbia, Pa., prepared for College at the Mercerville Academy, Mercerville, Pa. Here he was prominent in debating and entering College, he won the Freshman and the class competition debates of his first year. In his second year, he secured the first prize in the class exercises on Washington's Birthday, and won the Sophomore debate in Whig Hall. Last Fall, he spoke in the Harvard-Princeton debate. Mr. Yocum is business manager of the Alumni Princetonian, and has been first honor man in his class since his Freshman year. He is 20 years old.

University Prize in Poetry.

The poems in competition for the University prize in poetry are due at the library on or before May 15. This prize is offered by Professor Cook for the best unpublished poem of not more than one hundred lines in length upon some subject connected with History or Art. If none of the poems are of sufficient merit the prize will not be awarded. It consists of fifty dollars.

Athletic Calendar.

- May 8—Yale 1900 vs. Princeton 1900 at New Haven.
May 8—Yale vs. Wesleyan at Middletown.
May 11—Yale vs. University of Virginia at New Haven.
May 12, 13 and 14—Intercollegiate Golf Tournament at Arnsley (six.)
May 12—Yale 1900 vs. Williston at Easthampton.
May 14—Yale vs. Andover at Andover.
May 15—Yale 1900 vs. Morristown Field Club at Morristown.
May 15—Yale vs. Brown at Providence.
Dual athletic games with Harvard at New Haven.
May 19—Yale vs. Amherst at New Haven.
May 19—Yale, 1900, vs. Trinity at New Haven (pending.)
May 22—Yale 1900 vs. Harvard 1900 at New Haven.
May 22—Yale vs. Orange A. C. at East Orange, N. J.
May 22—Yale Golf Club handicap medal play, (best 8 play hole play for the "Yale Cup.")
May 24—Yale, 1900, vs. Brown, 1900, at New Haven, (pending.)
May 26—Yale 1900 vs. Edgewood at Edgewood.
May 26—Yale vs. Lehigh at New Haven.
May 29—Yale 1900 vs. All Scholastic of Philadelphia at New Haven.
May 29—Yale vs. Brown at Providence.
Annual Intercollegiate Athletic Games at Mott Haven.
Intercollegiate Relay Race in the games of the New Jersey A. C. at Bergen Point, in which Yale will enter a team.

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