

## NOT YET SETTLED.

The Conference Held—The New Course at New London Satisfactory.

There has been no further development in the rowing situation since last week, as far as actual agreement for a match between Yale, Harvard and Cornell is concerned. The conference asked for by Cornell on the receipt of Yale's challenge for a dual or triangular race at New London, was held in Albany yesterday morning, but the result at the time of the WEEKLY's going to press had not been made public. Captain Whitney of Yale, Captain Colson of Cornell and Captain Goodrich of Harvard, were present and talked the situation over among themselves.

It is now understood that Cornell wishes to make her rowing at New London conditional. She wants a three-year agreement with Harvard and Yale on the same water. In the request for a conference, however, Cornell said nothing about this condition. It is earnestly hoped at Yale that the arrangements for next year's meeting with Cornell may be closed without any trouble. There is strong opposition to any agreement for future years, and Harvard is known to be of the same mind.

On Monday, the 6th, Captain Whitney and Coach R. J. Cook, went to New London, where they met Captain Goodrich of Harvard, and the three, together with officials of the New London Board of Trade, went over the newly laid out course on the Thames. It has been planned to accommodate three crews very well, and the representatives of both colleges seemed well pleased.

The New London Board of Trade recently made a complete survey of the river, in order to test the practicability of a triangular course. In the opinion of good judges the course is superior to that at Poughkeepsie, and though there are two slight bends in it, it is thought it will be faster than the old one, because it follows the channel, making the whole distance in live water, and avoiding the flats.

The width of the river as given in the New London survey is as follows: Start, 2,000 feet; one-half mile, 3,500 feet; one mile, 1,250 feet; one and one-half mile, 2,250 feet; two miles (opposite navy yard), 1,300 feet; two and one-half miles, 3,700 feet; three miles, 3,300 feet; three and one-half miles, 2,700 feet; finish, 1,450 feet.

From the start the new course runs one and one-half miles straightaway; at the one and one-half mile it is 400 feet west of the old course, and then deflects to the east for three-fourths of a mile. From here it is one and three-fourths miles straightaway to the finish, just north of the Thames River draw-bridge. This course offers a depth of water, after the first half-mile, varying from 18 to 50 feet. Each crew will have at least 50 feet of water all the distance, considerably more than the Englishmen allow for their crews on the English Thames.

## Yale-Princeton Shoot.

The shoot-off between Yale and Princeton Gun Clubs for the final possession of the cup offered by the Shooting and Fishing Magazine, was won by Princeton, by a score of 214 to 197. The cup was offered five years ago, and was to become the property of the college which should win the annual intercollegiate the greatest number of times during the five years. By winning last Spring, Yale tied Princeton, each having won two years. The shoot took place Saturday, December 4th, at the New York Athletic Club's traps on Travers Island.

Each man shot ten rounds of six birds each. The Yale team had a lead of nine birds at the beginning of the sixth round, but went to pieces in that round, and Princeton more than made up Yale's lead.

The scores were as follows: Princeton—S. Payne, Captain, 47; Brown, 36; Chedester, 38; Kendall, 47; Young, 46. Total, 214.

Yale—C. B. Spears, 1900, Captain, 43; J. E. Bulkley, '09, 45; H. L. Loomis, 1900 S., 38; W. Bennett, P. G., 39; J. Brown, '99, 32. Total, 197.

## INTERCOLLEGIATE CHESS.

Yale's Chances Seem Good—History of the Contests.

Yale's chances for winning the intercollegiate chess championship this year are better than ever before. Both the increased interest taken and the fact that the members of the team of last year, including substitutes, have returned to College, will help to insure success. Then, too, there has been much improvement in the average play, and the University tournament last Tuesday has been more closely contested this year than ever before.

W. M. Murdoch, who has represented Yale for two years and who finished first in the University Tournament this Fall, will play again this year. L. A. Cook, Yale's other representative was first substitute last year and has been playing a very strong game this Fall.

The increased interest in the game has not only resulted in better play all around, and hence better practice for the best players, but it has encouraged the members of the Chess Club to engage the services of a good coach, Mr. J. W. Showalter, who holds the title of chess champion of America. Mr. Showalter gave an exhibition of simultaneous chess play in Calliope Hall, December 2d, which proved to be very interesting. A great deal of praise is due Mr. E. A. Caswell, '66, who has been the chief graduate supporter of the game at Yale ever since the beginning of the intercollegiate tournaments, of which he was the originator. He has helped the Chess Club financially, and in choosing the coaches.

Although Harvard has lost Ryder she will undoubtedly make a good showing. Southard, who won every game last year, will play. Hewins, who was on the team three years ago, will play again this year; so with Hewins and Southard, Harvard will have a very strong team.

Columbia's game last year was not as good as in the previous tournaments, but the advantage of playing with an outside club, which she has in New York, makes a great difference in the developing of her representatives.

The Princeton team has lost Seymour, but much fine material is being trained. The make-up of the Columbia and Princeton Chess teams has not as yet been decided.

The tournament will be held in New York, at the Columbia Grammar School, from December 27th to January 4th. Yale's representatives will be W. M. Murdoch, '98 S., and L. A. Cook, 1900, with J. C. Pickett, 1900, and H. Logan, 1900, as substitutes.

The final round of the University Tournament resulted as follows:

	Won.	Lost.
W. M. Murdoch, '98 S. ....	7	3
L. A. Cook, 1900. ....	6½	3½
J. C. Pickett, 1900. ....	5½	4½
H. Logan, 1900. ....	5	5
F. A. Lehlbach, '98. ....	4½	5½
A. M. Webb, 1901. ....	1½	8½

## PAST TOURNAMENTS.

The Intercollegiate Chess Tournaments have been held in New York for the past five years, during the Christmas holidays. Play begins every day at 2.30 p. m., and if the games are not decided by 10.30 p. m., they are judged by the umpire. Each player plays one game with each other man, and fifteen moves must be played within the hour.

A magnificent silver cup has been offered by a few graduates from each college, which will be presented to the team which wins the championship for ten successive times. The members of the winning team each year are given a silver medal with the name and date engraved upon it. Harvard has won for three successive times.

Mr. Edward A. Caswell, '66, will have entire charge of the tournament.

The record of the tournaments for the last five years follows:

1892-93.		1893-94.		1894-95.		1895-96.		1896-97.			
Columbia.	Yale.	Columbia.	Yale.	Columbia.	Yale.	Columbia.	Yale.	Columbia.	Yale.		
Won.	Lost.	Won.	Lost.	Won.	Lost.	Won.	Lost.	Won.	Lost.		
Hymes ... 6	0	Bumstead	3	3	3	Price ... 3	3	Arnstein	1½	4½	
Libraire .. 3	3	Skinner ... 2	4	Ross ... 5	1	Murdoch .. 2	4	Ryder ... 4½	1½	Elmer ... 0	6

Harvard.	Princeton.
Ballou ... 5	1 Dickey ... 0
Wilson ... 2½	3½ Ewing ... 2½

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Hymes ... 5½	1½	Ross ... 2	4
Libraire .. 3	3	Skinner ... 3	3

Harvard.	Princeton.
Hewins ... 5	1 Ewing ... 1
Spaulding 2	4 Roberts ... 2½

1894-95.		1895-96.	
Columbia.	Yale.	Columbia.	Yale.
Won.	Lost.	Won.	Lost.
Binion ... 1½	4½	Bumstead	2
Price ... 1½	4½	Ross ... 4	2

Harvard.	Princeton.
Ballou ... 4½	1½ Belden ... 2½
Van Kleeck 4½	1½ Seymour ... 3½

1895-96.		1896-97.	
Columbia.	Yale.	Columbia.	Yale.
Won.	Lost.	Won.	Lost.
Price ... 3	3	Arnstein	1½
Ross ... 5	1	Murdoch .. 2	4

Harvard.	Princeton.
Ryder ... 4½	1½ Elmer ... 0
Southard .. 4	2 Seymour .. 4

1896-97.		1897-98.	
Columbia.	Yale.	Columbia.	Yale.
Won.	Lost.	Won.	Lost.
Parker ... 1	5	Lehlbach .. 1½	4½
Price ... 3½	2½	Murdoch .. 2½	3½

Harvard.	Princeton.
Ryder ... 4	2 Seymour .. 3
Southard .. 6	0 Young ... 2½

## Summary of games won:

	Harvard.	Columbia.	Yale.	Princeton.
1893 .....	7½	9	5	2½
1894 .....	7	8½	5	3½
1895 .....	9	3	6	6
1896 .....	8½	8	3½	4
1897 .....	10	4½	4	5½
Total .....	42	33	23½	21½

## Buffalo Alumni Association.

The Yale Alumni Association of Buffalo was organized last Saturday evening at a meeting held at the Buffalo University Club. The following officers were elected:

President, S. M. Clement, '82; Secretary and Treasurer, W. W. Smith, '93. The Executive Committee is composed of: Martin Clark, '79; Thomas H. Penney, '87; Jesse C. Dann, '88; S. M. Clement, '82, and W. W. Smith, '93.

About one hundred names were placed upon the membership roll. The Association accepted an invitation to hold a joint dinner with the Harvard Alumni some time in January.

## Dr. Henry Drisler Dead.

Dr. Henry Drisler, Emeritus Professor of Latin and Greek in Columbia University, and formerly Dean of the Columbia School of Arts, died in New York City, November 30th at the age of 79 years. Dr. Drisler was born December 27, 1818, on Staten Island. Immediately after graduating from Columbia College in 1839, he was appointed classical instructor in Columbia Grammar School. He was made full professor of Latin of Columbia College in 1857, and ten years later he was transferred to the Jay Professorship of Greek. The same year during the absence of President Barnard, he was made acting president. Dr. Drisler received the degree of LL.D. from his alma mater in 1864, and from Harvard in 1886.

He held the position of acting president of Columbia University again during the year of 1888-89, after President Barnard's death. In 1889 he was appointed Dean of the Faculty of the Art School. Three years ago Dr. Drisler resigned and became Professor Emeritus. Dr. Drisler was the author of many scholarly works, and held prominent positions in educational and religious institutions.

The Stevenson Club, composed of members of the Senior class, has forwarded fifty dollars for the monument to be erected at Edinburgh, in memory of Robert Lewis Stevenson.

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