

## INTERCOLLEGIATE GYMNASTICS.

Delegates from Princeton, Yale, Union College, New York University, Haverford, Amherst and Columbia, met in the Columbia University Gymnasium, November 29th, and formed an Intercollegiate Gymnastic Association.

Plans were laid for an annual championship meeting, which will in all probability be held this year at the Columbia gymnasium next March. Harvard was not represented, but will join the association and send a team to the meet. It is also expected that Pennsylvania will join. VIGILANT.

## RACQUETS.

THAT Racquets and Court Tennis are slowly but surely coming into vogue in this country is made clear from the recent addition to the few existing courts of the new Racquet and Tennis Club at Tuxedo. These new courts and club-house are situate not far from the regular club-house at Tuxedo, and have a beautiful frontage overlooking the lake. Immediately inside the entrance are reception rooms and salon; behind these is a room twenty-seven and a half feet by nineteen and a half feet, called the Dedans Salon, and, as the name implies, the latter leads direct to the courts. The court, which has a playing space of ninety-one by thirty-one and a half feet, is beautifully laid out and lighted from sides as well as top. One of the most interesting features is the flooring, which is a special cement preparation that dries out a dead black and remains so permanently, thus avoiding the necessity for periodical painting.

The governors of the club have been fortunate in their selection of secretary and treasurer, to which office they have appointed Eustace H. Miles, of King's College, Cambridge (England). Mr Miles is the present British amateur champion at both racquets and court tennis. A man with such a knowledge of both games is indeed a valuable addition to the club.

The new club was opened December 30th with an exhibition match at court tennis between E. H. Miles and Tom Pettit, the professional champion of America.

The amateur, who received a handicap of half-thirty for a bisque, won out with three sets to love in his favor.

The inaugural tournament was continued on January 1st with a court tennis match between G. R. Fearing, Jr., and A. Potter, of Boston, against E. H. Miles and T. Suffern Tailer, of Tuxedo. The contest finished in favor of the home pair by a score of 3 to 2.

The members and guests who visited the New York Racquet and Tennis Club on January 3d were treated to one of the fastest games of racquet ever seen. An exhibition match was played between Peter Latham, champion of the world, and George Standing, champion of America. Latham allowed three aces a game to Standing, Standing played most brilliantly, and won from Latham by scores of 15-2 15-1 and 15-5.

Court tennis was a feature of the day's programme at the Racquet and Tennis Club on January 5th. The principal game of the day was a doubles match, played between Latham and A. Tompkins and Pettit and E. H. Miles. Latham played a wonderful game, and he and

his partner had no trouble in winning three straight sets, with scores of 6-3, 6-0 and 7-5.

## NEW YORK CLUB TOURNAMENT.

The holiday invitation tournament of the New York Racquet and Tennis Club finished on January 6th with a very interesting match of racquets, doubles, between E. H. Miles and Latham, and Q. A. Shaw, Jr., and Standing. It was racquets of the very highest order, bringing together in one game the amateur and professional champions of both England and America, but the match did not involve any championship.

The Englishmen worked splendidly together, and Mr. Miles, who started off a little below his form, was playing a great game at the finish. They won by scoring four games out of five, the conditions calling for the best four in seven. Mr. Shaw made many brilliant plays, Both professionals played a splendid game. Latham made his back-hand strokes with great success, and Standing's low returns were very successful.

The scores for the five games were as follows: In the first and second games the Englishmen won by 15 to 12 and 13 to 5; the third game Shaw and Standing won by 17 to 14; the fourth and fifth games went to the English pair with 18 to 14 and 18 to 14.

## SCHOOLBOYS CHAMPIONSHIP.

An interesting tournament was held at the Racquet and Tennis Club, December 27th, 28th and 29th, when the schoolboys competed for their championship cup, which was presented by the club for the encouragement of racquets among the schools. There were seven entries. The first draw brought together Cass and Prentiss, both of St. Paul, Concord, N. H. The former won the best two out of three with scores of 15 to 8 and 15 to 13. The next draw between Moorehead, of St. Paul, and Greenfield, of Pomfret, resulted in a win for Moorehead by 15 to 0 and 15 to 2. Galloway, of St. Paul, forfeited to Pool, of the same school; Pool was drawn, with Hitchcock, of Pomfrets, the former winning by 15 to 0 and 15 to 2.

The three contestants now left represented St. Paul. In the semi-final Moorehead defeated Cass by scores of 15 to 8 and 15 to 6.

Pool and Moorehead were left for the final. The conditions called for the best three games out of five. Moorehead played brilliantly and forced the game from start to finish. He won the match and championship by scores of 15 to 2, 15 to 5, and 15 to 3.

The Pomfret School were badly handicapped by the absence of G. Clark, their crack player, who was last year's winner, VIGILANT.