

OUTING'S MONTHLY REVIEW

OF

AMATEUR SPORTS AND PASTIMES.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT.

THE entire property of the OUTING PUBLISHING COMPANY has been purchased by a company composed of the following sportsmen: Robert Bacon, Fletcher Harper, C. C. Cuyler, S. Reading Bertron, and Caspar Whitney, New York; David M. Goodrich, Boston; S. F. Houston and T. D. M. Cardeza, Philadelphia; Walter Camp, New Haven; and Charles Hodgman, St. Louis. The old name of the incorporation will be continued, and the magazine will be edited by Mr. Whitney.

THE OUTING PUBLISHING CO.

It is with a feeling of regret that I announce the retirement of myself from the active control and ownership of this magazine; for OUTING, with its portrayal of the life of the woods and the sea, has seemed almost to breathe the life of an actual personality to me. The step seems necessary, however; for with the constant growth of the love of outdoor life and sport in this country, OUTING's field is steadily broadening, with consequent increased work and responsibilities, which in view of my being a partial invalid, it seems inadvisable for me to continue to undertake. My father, as is known to many of our readers, retired from the active management some four years ago.

During the many years of our control it has ever been our aim to make OUT-

ING representative of all that is best in sport; and it is a source of pleasure to us that, our successor, Mr. Whitney, is one so favorably known by all honest sportsmen as the resolute champion of true sportsmanship.

The management of OUTING has ever been a pleasant task, and our connection with it cannot be closed without expressing to our readers and friends our appreciation of their many kindly acts, and the hope that the good will and support accorded us may be given in unstinted degree to the new company.

BEN J. WORMAN.

With next month's issue OUTING will enter upon a new volume and a new era simultaneously; and it is, eminently fitting to say here and now that this magazine, established eighteen years ago, was among the pioneers that first aroused and thereafter, sustained the wholesome out-of-door spirit, which has spread throughout the present generation of Americans.

It has long been a cherished hope of mine to one day found a home for the literature of sport, travel and adventure—an abiding place of sport for its own sake—so considerable an element in the strenuous life which makes for the upbuilding of a virile, progressive, respected nation.

And to the end that I might be the better qualified to nourish and prosper such a home, have I sought the teachings of the "free people" in our own swamps and meadows, and forests and mountains, in the great, lone land of Canada's frozen North, in our desert and scorching South, and in the jungles of the Far East; while all Europe and North America have been traveled for lessons in competitive sport.

The purchase of *OUTING*, with its healthful life and respected name, provides substantial foundation for the building of such a home; and it is the determination of the new *OUTING PUBLISHING COMPANY* to make the most of the opportunity. It is our intention, in a word, of developing *OUTING* to the utmost limits of its particular field, which will be additionally supplied by the publication of books of especial timeliness and interest.

Every branch of sport will be discussed by experts as the occasion warrants, and tales of travel, adventure, exploration, hunting, told by the most entertaining and instructive writers obtainable.

As to the quality of matter hereafter to be found within the covers of *OUTING*, the following partial list of contributors may be amply suggestive: Rudyard Kipling, Governor-General Leonard Wood, Frederic Remington,

John Fox Jun; Richard Harding Davis, Paul Leicester Ford, Gilbert Parker, W. A. Fraser, F. C. Selous, Governor Theodore Roosevelt, Ernest Seton-Thompson, Henry Savage Landor, Owen Wister, C. Grant La Farge, Charles F. Lummis, Paul du Chaillu, Jesse Lynch Williams, E. T. D. Chambers, H. P. Wells, W. P. Stephens, E. Hough, T. S. Van Dyke, Dean Sage, Dr. D. G. Elliot, Walter Camp, etc., etc.; while among the artists are A. B. Frost, Frederic Remington, Howard Pyle and Walter Appleton Clark.

Editorially, *OUTING* will be as strong as knowledge of the subject and the courage of our convictions can make it.

We stand unwaveringly for:

The protection of game;

The preservation of forests;

The enforcement and betterment of our game laws;

And for sport for its own sake.

We shall spare no effort to disclose the game butcher, or the dishonest sportsman, whether his field of operations be in the woods, on the water, or on the football field.

We believe in the strenuous life, and we believe in the thrill which comes from honorably contending for victory. We want no victory without that thrill. We ask sportsmen everywhere to aid us in spreading this sentiment.

CASPAR WHITNEY.

