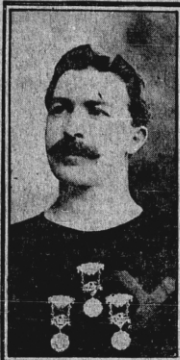


SOME OF THE STAR ATHLETES MEMBERS OF "THE FINEST"



OFFICER
E. CARRETTE

EDWARD H. CARRETTE.



THOMAS SLATTERY, 39th PRECINCT.



MIKE CREGAN.

RECORD-BREAKING ATHLETIC POLICE

Any Number of Them, and They Form Fine Organization That Will Be Heard From.

Within a short time the Police Department of Greater New York will be represented by as fine a team of athletes as that of any college or athletic organization in this country. This aggregation of stars has been brought together by the formation of the Greater New York Police Athletic Association, organized a short time ago by Mike Cregan, the cop sprinter, who has won a "ton" of medals in competition. For nine years Cregan has been trying to organize an athletic association in the Police Department, but it was not until three weeks ago that he succeeded in compelling the organization. At the present time there are more than a hundred members enrolled.

In order to prove the athletic ability of these bluecoats the association held a set of games at Sulzer's Harlem River Park last week. The result was some fine competitions which uncovered an unusual number of good athletes. The men who made the best showing at these games aside from Cregan were John S. Burke, of the Thirty-ninth Precinct, who started the athletic world by breaking the world's record with the fifty-six-pound weight for distance; Edward M. Carrette, who won both the two-mile and one-mile race for the championship of the department; Thomas Slattery, of the Thirty-ninth Precinct, who won the 120-yard handicap in 2:35 seconds; Henry F. Roper, of the Sixty-fourth Precinct, who won the high jump; Herman Meyer, who won the twelve-pound shot, and Terry Murphy, who carried off the 440-yard run.

Cregan was the champion of the two days' meet, as he carried off the point prize by scoring 25 points.

Other "Stars" on the Force.

Some of the other members on the force who have made good are John S. Flanagan, the champion hammer thrower of the world; John Hynes and

John McCarthy, hammer thrower.

In addition to the above mentioned men who have shown up well, the department will soon have two more crack athletes in its ranks. These men are John Joyce, the ten-mile runner, and Martin Sheridan, the champion discus thrower, both of whom are on the slight list. The association will hold a set of games at Cretic Park on Oct. 7 and a big indoor meeting at Madison Square Garden in the fall.

John S. Burke, who broke Flanagan's record, was born at County Sligo, Ireland, Dec. 20, 1877. He was appointed in 1901. In a set of games at Madison Square Garden last year he defeated John Flanagan in the hammer throwing contest.

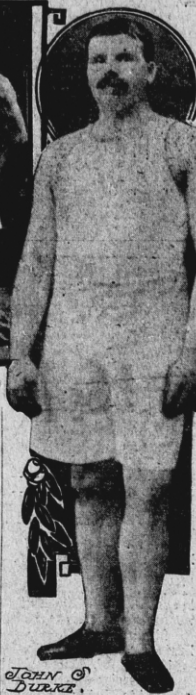
Again, Feb. 4 in the games of the Irish Athletic Club, at Madison Square Garden, he threw the 56-pound weight straight away from a stand without a follow 29 feet 13 inches, or within 4 inches of the world's record, then held by Flanagan. He won the first prize in a weight-lifting contest at the New York Athletic Club games, March 14. The next important event in which he participated was that of Aug. 3, when he broke the world's record.

Carrette a Good Runner.

Edward M. Carrette is twenty-five years old, stands 5 feet 7 1/2 inches and weighs 146 pounds. He first competed in games in 1900, winning the one-mile run and finishing second in the half-mile at the games of the Twenty-second Regiment. He is the personal possessor of former Chief Devery's medal.

Thomas Slattery is thirty-seven years of age, has been competing twenty years as an athlete and has been the champion all-around man of the department for fourteen years. Slattery defeated Michael O'Sullivan for the championship of the department in 1893 at the police games. He has been a member of the force sixteen years.

Otto L. Bauer has the records for the department for the running high jump, six-foot, ten-yard run, running broad jump and for standing broad jump. He is twenty-six years old and has been on the force five months.



JOHN O'DUANE.



JOHN FLANAGAN