

Rochester Yacht Club



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THE PRESENT SEASON

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HE club barometer reads high. A fair wind and clear skies are the forecast for 1901. Additions to the fleet have been made during the winter in nearly every class. Fourteen new boats have been built in the "One Design Dinghy Class," promising rare sport and a chance for the best sailor to win. An attractive prize list has been offered to this mosquito fleet and such hearty encouragement of small boat sailing cannot fail to increase the number of yacht owners later

on, if it has the same effect here that it has had in the Eastern clubs.

There are three new boats building for the 19-foot class, and the friendly war waged among these little yachts last year will be continued through this season. The 25-30 Class promises lively races. Several of the older boats have received an unusual amount of overhauling and are now tuning up, while a brand new boat of a type popular in Boston waters has all of the old salts guessing.

In the past there has been little racing in our club among craft larger than the "thirties," but this season is likely to see a number of spirited boats among the thirtyfive—forties and when the gun fires for the opening cruise on Decoration Day, the struggle will commence.

The increased fleet of small boats has been provided for by securing the shoot-the-chutes basin, which makes a most excellent anchorage for such craft.

From the racing yachtsman's standpoint the outlook has never been half so bright, and while the great 90-footers are again struggling for the America's cup, and while our Canadian rivals are struggling to re-capture from Chicago the cup that was taken from them by our present Flag-ship, the Genesee, we shall enjoy our local contests. The Fisher cup is still in our possession and should a challenge be received from any of the clubs of the L. Y. R. A. on Lake Ontario it will be worthily defended.

In preparing an active season's sport among the racing men, the other features of a well-ordered club have not been overlooked. Changes have been made in the club house with the intention of improving the cafe service—there are several "ladies' days" on the program, at which times the non-yacht owners and their friends will be provided for. The annual clam bake will, as usual, provide a good time for all, and from time to time the Entertainment Committee will make announcement of other events of a social nature.

It is the intention of the club officers to make the R. Y. C. a pleasant rendezvous for all the members, whether they are yacht owners or not and to this end they will be glad of suggestions from club members as to management and they especially request that any inattention to duty on the part of club employees be reported to the executive committee.

