GENERAL NEWS.

The Toronto Crew to Go to England.

More Record-Breaking Shooting-A Professional Pool Tourney-Turf News.

TO GO ABROAD.

The Famous Toronto Four to be Sent to
England After All.

Special to Sporting Life.
Toronto, Dec 24.—The Toronto Rowing Club
has arranged to send their four-oared amateur has arranged to send their four-oared amateur crew to England in the spring to compete for the championship of the world at Henley. The crew are J. E. Knox, bow; Bush Thompson, No. 2; F. H. Thompson, No. 3, and Joseph Wright, stroke. Knox, F. H. Thompson and Wright were in the four that won the junior champion-hip at Albany in 1886. Bush Thompson last summer replaced Harry Pearce as No 2. The crew goes as the champions of America. The trip is necessarily an expensive one, as the crew will have to be in England some time before the Henley regatta to enable them to become acclimatized and to get into condition. Several members of the club have subscribed \$100 each, and it is expected to secure the balance by subscriptions. The entry has to be made in February, and it is anticipated that by that time the necessary funds will have been raised to defray the expenses. Mr. Charles Varcoe, financial secretary of the Toronto Club, will receive mbscriptions, and in a few days the general subscription lists will be opened.

TURF MATTERS.

A Big Purse at Hartford-News From Other Points.

Points.

Special to Sporting Life.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 24.—The Charter Oak
Driving Park Association announces that at
their meeting Thursday night it was voted to
add to the ten thousand dollar guaranteed stake
race during the Grand Circuit meeting next

MORE RECORD BREAKING.

t Now Beats Chevalier Paine's ore of 904 in 100 Shots.

Full of 19 consecutive bull's-eyes. His score was as follows: 96, 90, 92, 90, 96, 92, 89, 86, 93, 90.

"Phil" Casey Ready to Play Farrell for Ten Thousand Dollars and Upward, Special to Sporting Life.

New York, Dec. 24:-Ex-Alderman "Phil" Casey, who so completely vanquished John Lawler, the Irish champion hand ball player, in the recent international match played at the Brooklyn Ball Court, is ready once more to test his skill with any other champion in that line

Teemer Sails for Florida.

pecial to Sporting Life.
Boston, Dec. 24.—Obsempion John Teemer and his amily salled from this city to Savannah Thursday, flermoon on the steamer facto City, of the Boston and avannah Life. About twenty of his most intimate there among them. Oursman. Hosmer, assembled at

Connecticut Pool Championship.

PROFESSIONAL POOL.

A Tournament of Experts for Next Month

A Tournament of Experts for Next Month Arranged.

Special to Sporting Life.

New York, Dec. 24.—The professional pool players held a meeting at the Brunswick-Balke-Collender Company office yesterday to arrange for the tournament to be played in January in Maurice Daly's Brooklyn rooms, to introduce the new game of "continuous pool" invented by Champion Frey. In the new game two contestants continue to pocket the balls and keep on counting, as if they were playing regular carom billiards, until one player has counted 800 points. Each player is also permitted to keep on playing until he misses, instead of stopping when he has scored stry-one points, as in the old-fashioned game. The experts got into a prolonged debate on the best method of counting the balls, and another meeting will have to be held to settle the point. Samuel F. Knight declared that the balls ought to count according to the numbers, as they do in regular fifteen-ball pool. Frey, on the other hand, contended that each

CHARLESTON'S CHIPPIES.

ported there would have been no use in entering upon the League contests. As looked at now, however, our club seems "rugged" as ever it was, and bids fair to make the struggle next year the hardest in the history of the League.

As now composed, the club may challenge comparison with any in the South. The outfield is superb. Glenn, Carl and Williams need no comment. Their excellent fielding and throwing are well known, and all are pretty fair hitters. Glean may be counted on for a hit in every game and for an occasional three-bagger, with very many "doubles" but a double with Gleun would be a

THE HALLIDAY CASE.

St. Louis' Case Not Sustained-That Tele-

gram Nou Est.

CLEVELAND, O., Dec. 20.—At the Cincinnati
meeting of the Arbitration Committee, Dec. 7,
Halliday, the Des Moines left fielder under contract to the Des Moines Club for 1888, was

tee at the late meeting at Cincinnati. Halliday, therefore, goes to Des Monnes.

Won't Enter the Association.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 20.—Editor Sporting Life:
—Perhaps a few lines from the Cream City would prove acceptable to your readers. I was somewhat surprised in perusing the last issue of a St. Louis paper to find an article alleged to be from the pen of "Badger," stating that Joe Pritchard had been to our city and had completed arrangements with a Mr. Kipp, whereby Milwaukee was to be transferred into the American Association, buying up the franchise of the Mets. This was news to me and also took other persons interested in sporting matters by surprise, none more so than Secretary Quin. Firstly, Mr. Kipp doesn't own the Milwaukee team; han't even a cent's worth of stock, and although he endeavored to obtain some of the money they earn by charging \$3,000 rent for a \$500 ground, he won't even have the satisfaction of seeing a game played on his land next year. Manager Hart will not enter the Association; the 50-cent rate would ruin ball here, and he understands it. We have a good team to open the season on and the people are better satisfied with a winning club in the Western League, than a tail-ender in the Association. Won't Enter the Association.

A Ball Player's Disgrace.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 20 .- Charles Hoover, the atcher of the Lincoln Base Ball Club, in the catcher of the Lincoln Base Ball Club, in the Western League, the past season, appeared in the District Court yesterday and was fined \$50 for assault. Hoover was sent to jail two weeks ago, with a Tair prospect of the penitentiary, being bound over under \$500 bonds for attempting to shoot a hackman. In court yesterday, under the plea of his atterney, the lighter charge was accepted under the representation that Hoover would pay out and leave the city. At the dissolution of the Western League Hoover at once signed with the Chicago Club for the coming year. He has been a popular player in the Western League. His popularity reached such a height in this city during the summer season that the leading city payer hoisted his name as presidential timber. Since his success in the League and his signing with Chicago he has been on a celebration the greater part of the time.

BASE BALL NEWS.

A New Pitcher for the Boston Club.

A League Umpireship Declined -A New League Organized, Etc.

A BOSTON PURCHASE.

Young Pitcher Sowders, of St. Paul, Secured for the Hub.

Special to Sporting Life.

concluded negotiations for pitcher Wm. Sowders, of the St. Paul Club. He has been purchased for \$4,200, though the exact figure will not be known till the return of Frank Selee, who effected the purchase. At first Sowders was offered to Boston at a net cost of \$2,600; finding they could get more the showed St. Paul was short stop and centre field. Last season he was with St. Paul, but his success was not so great as it would have been with a good nine to back him up. He fields his position for all it is worth, and rarely gets rattled. He has excellent command of the ball, and has a very deceptive delivery. He is a great favorite in St. Paul, where his radiant smile, which he wears perpetually, has secured for him the name of "Smiling Billy."

COLEMAN'S RETIREMENT.

Special to Sporting Lafe.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 24.—John Coleman's action

was chosen to compile by-laws and confer with the president and board of directors relative to their adoption. The meeting adjourned until Feb. 4.

THE UMPIRE BULL MOVEMENT.

Wesley Curry Declines an Appointment on the League's Umpire Staff.

Special to Spoating Litte.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—The extravagant salaries paid by the Association has demoralized the umpire market. A few days ago exUmpire Furlong declined an appointment on the League staff at \$1,500, and now Wesley Curry follows suit. He was quite anxious for such a position in the League and was warmly endorsed. President Young gave Curry's application and backing favorable consideration and offered him a position on the staff with compensation notling about \$1,500 for the season. To Mr. Young's surprise, however, Curry declined the terms and submitted a proposition himself, which Mr. Young felt conceptled to decline. Curry has an offer from the International Association and probably he would prefer to appear in that organization where the work would be less arduous, discipline less strict and responsibility not so great.

Gossip From Cincinnati.

THE EIGHTH CLUB PROBLEM.

A Hint From Byrne—How the Team May be Made Up.

New York, Dec. 23.—President Byrne, of the Brooklyn Club, has been hard at work ever since the American Association meeting at Cincinnati, assisting the committee which was appointed at that time to secure an eighth club to take the place of the Metropolitans. Mr. Byrne said last night that the work had been so far advanced that by the end of the next ten days the matter of selecting the club would be fully setwanced that by the end of the next ten days the matter of selecting the club would be fully settled. It is not a matter of drumming up a city in which to put the club, but of selecting from among the many applicants the one best fitted to fill the place. It is strongly suspected that one of the New York State cities will be the successful applicant. The franchise is now owned by the American Association.

WORCESTER READY.

The Team Now Completed—How it Will be Placed.

Placed.

Worcester, Mass., Dec. 21.—Editor Sporting
Life:—Manager Burnham has completed the
team which is to represent the "Heart of the
Commonwealth" in the New England League
next year, the last men to sign their contracts
being Thomas F. Barrett and Edward F. Flanni
gan. Barrett is a pitcher who played with the
St. Albans team last season, having a fielding
average of .893 and an actual batting average of
.366. He hails from Holyoke, and formerly
played at Salem, Belfast and Bangor. He
weighs 160 pounds, and is said to have good
command of the ball, using his head as well as
his hands.

Flannigan is well known as a good batter and

his hands.

Flannigan is well known as a good batter and has a good reputation as a first baseman, playing last season with the Athletics, Salems and Haverhill-Blues. He was suffering from malaria, however, and was not able to do himself justice. Several clubs were after him, but Manager Burnham was the hardyn man. Elannigan, preferring to

WHEELING WHISPERS.

Adhered To.

Wheeling, W. Va., Dec. 21.—Editor SportIng Life:—Wheeling seems to be the target
that most of the Ohio League cities are putting
up to shoot at during the present time, but as it

ELMIRA EPITOME.

ager Smith says that Elmira will not be found in the Central League next season, as the traveling expenses with Hartford and Waterbury in the League would be too great. Binghamton and Elmira have decided to form a new league independent of the Central, but have given Wilkesbarre and Scranton the privilege to join with them and also take in Allentown, Pa., and cannot the privaled when the state of the season with the season of the se r Smith says that Elmira will not be found ome other city to be decided upon, but the

Pennsylvania teams have not as yet accepted or rejected the offer.

William Bally, who created such a favorable impression here as umptre last season, is at present engaged in the mercantile business at Blossburg, Pa. Engene Bagley is still here, he has had several offers in the last fow days, among them being one to captain and coach a team. "Gene" would make a good captain, as he was very successful the last part of last season with the Elmiras, where he acted in the same capacity, and besides he is a great base-alider and quite certain to get in a run if he reaches first base if he has half a show.

Pitcher McCarthy has not signed the agreement with the London, Out, team yet which he carries in pocket, but he expects to hear from Manager Powers when he (Powers) returns home.

"Danny" Richardson is expected here for the holidays, as the weather has been against the New York combination of late in California, at least he writes to relatives here to such effect.

for Cash.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 19.—Editor Sporting the:—The most important deal in base hall reles that has taken place for two years was circles that has taken place for two years was the sale of the franchise in the Western League by R. O. Foster to W. E. Gooding, the consideration being \$7,000, which included the lease of the grounds, grand stand and players now under contract. There is every reason to believe that the change will be a good one for the National game in this city. Mr. Foster, personally, is a gentleman, popular with his players, and last season, in a measure, was moderatly successful in gathering together a good team, but for some reason the team did not play as good ball as the city deserved, and as a consequence interest in the game among the best patrons was very small and the crowds towards the end of the season ditto.

A TEN STRIKE.

Pitcher Tyng Secured by the Phillies.

Long Continued Negotiations Consummated—A Notable Engagement.

The most notable engagement of the season so far is that of the ex-Harvard pitcher, Jas. A. Tyng, by the Philadelphia Club. The fact that the man was and has been for a year past in great demand and in receipt of extremely liberal general player also served to make his acquisition an event of importance. But further than
all that, the engagement is deserving of extended notice and warm commendation
because it is in the line of the Philadelphia Club's laudable policy—inaugurated first by the engagement of the
veteran upright manager, Harry Wright, and
next by the erection of the finest pavilion and
cround in the world—of elevating hase hall and concerned base ball has been elevated to a degree so that a gentleman in every sense of the word may now accept a professional base ball engagement without forfeiting either his self-respect or his social standing. Viewed in this light the acquisition of Tyng is a good thing for the Philadelphia Club, a good thing for the National League, and, on the whole, a most excellent thing for the National game of base ball.

CONDITIONS OF TYNG'S CONTRACT.

Of late years there has been somewhat of a furore for college pitchers, and as college life is supposed to be the best training school for the profession, almost every pitcher of any prominence has received tempting offers. Of this class no gentleman has been so well favored as Mr. Tyng. For years past his record has been closely watched, and tempting offers made, until ridiculous bids were made for his services towards the end of a season. It is doubtful if Tyng ever would have signed a professional contract, for he has repeatedly said it would be a poor bargain to play ball for a few months to be released perhaps by a disappointed manager, and then relegated to the common herd. We are glad to state his contract with the Phil-

LUCKY CABUTHERS.

The Highest Salaried Player—The Conditions of His Contract.

Caruthers is now the base ball star of stars.

MANCHESTER MENTION.

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The Cases of Irwin and Nelson—A Fight to be Made for the Men.

MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 21.—Editor Sporting Life:—While our management has been engaged in adding players to the list for next season, namely, McDermott and Sheffler, respectively pitcher and centre field in our '87 nine, and Burke, who closed last season with the Lowells and did very effective work in the pitcher's box, Jack Nelson has been doing a little problem in subtraction by refusing to sign a Manchester contract, after pledging his word that he would play in our nine. Although Nelson has signed a Buffalo, N. Y., contract, Manager Clinton, who has his promise in black and white, and a witnessed verbal agreement besides, believes that he has a strong legal claim upon his services. If the legal claim is disallowed by the tribunal of arbitration, to which it has been referred, men of honor will still hold that a moral claim exists that even professional ball players should respect. Nelson admits his promises, and defends the refusal by saying that it would be retrogression for

INDIANAPOLIS NEWS.

COLD BRIDGEPORT.

Small Chance of a Club There Next Season

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Dec. 23.—Editor Sport-ing Life:—The base ball fever is dead in Inc Life:—The base ball fever is dead in this city just at present, it not having recovered from its sudden death in July last, but still there are a few people in this city who think it will come to life in the spring and be just as strong as ever and Bridgeport will again be represented on the diamond. II. Y. Smith was in this city recently to see what the prospects were for a club here next season, but he did not meet with much encouragement.

All ball players throughout the country will be sorry to hear that Old Reliable Joe Brown is in this city suffering with a very heavy cold. His numerous

BASE BALL DETROIT DRIFT.

President Stearns' Unexpected Resignation.

His Reasons for the Act-The Case of Dunlap-Other Matters.

DETROIT, Dec. 21.—Editor SPORTING LIFE:—Newspaper men know President Fred K. Stearns to be one of the most accommodating men connected with base ball. He considers it a pleasure at all times to inconvenience himself in order to

lib will doubtless seriously increases that prespects.

While at Cincinnati Von der Ahe said he contemplated taking two teams to England. He considers the old country ripe for another base ball invasion, and will look the ground over carefully during his und will look the ground over carefully during his Mar.

Outlook for Next Season.

CHICAGO, Dec. 21.—In speaking of 'the affairs of the new Western Association, President Morton said to-day:—"Affairs are progressing very favorably, and now that we have protection, I don't see why we should be less prosperons or important than any other League. I tell you the Western Association's future is assured, and not only the members; but outsiders, are beginning to appreciate what a good thing it is. The American Association is only too anxious to get one of our teams to enter its ranks, but it does not offer as good advantages. At Cincimnati they offered to let Kansas City in for nothing, but Menges refused the offer, and wisely, too, I think. Milwaukee is also sought after, but the men at the head of base ball in the Cream City are longheaded enough to stay right where they are, and at the end of the season I think they will be only too glad that they did it. Even if the American Association had remained on a 25-cout bests, it seems to me that the Western Association would be fully as desirable an organization to belong to. The action taken by the American Association in raising its admission fee to 50 cents, will, I believe, be the means of building up the St. Louis Western Association team, as nothing else, could.

"Have you made any changes in the make-up of the

"Have you made any changes in the make-up of the Chicago team?"

"The team is complete, though I am always ready to sign a good man. The players engaged are:—Lange, third base; Dutgale, McCanley and Dallas, catchers; Dunn, Nicholson and Sprague, pitchers; Hengle, second base; Shoenock, first base; Long, short stop; Rooks, left field; Grogan, centre field. Meriarity, right field. It's a good team, and I think they will play good ball, as they are capable of doing so. The Western Association team will, in my opinion, be a go in Chicago. I have put all my money in it and I have no doubt of its paying well. If I wanted to go out on the street to sell the stock, I could dispose of it all in an hour, but I profer to held the majority of the stock myself. The public will take kindly to the new

CAYLOR'S COMMENT.

Additions to the "Diamond Library"—Von der Aho's Invasion of "Yurrup"—Touch-ing Up the Association Magnates—Hypocrisy Unveiled, Etc. New York, Dec. 23.—Editor Sporring Life:

New York, Dec. 23.—Editor Sporting Life:
—Last Saturday night, as I leaned from the casement of my window sucking in the delicious strains of Boulanger's march from the strained instruments of a Hungarian band on the street below, the music ceased so suddenly I thought I had been struck deaf. Not so, however. Some one threw a nickel from a window nearby among the five members of the band, and harmony gave way to a wild struggle for wealth. In the semi-silence which ensued a sweeter strain came floating in on the ambient air—the dull thud of a plaintive song breaking through the stilly night from far away. It was as the wild notes of a wandering minstrel floating across the wild waves of the East River from the direction of Gowanus. Sweetly warbled those beautiful words of the old song:

Home again! Home again!

From a foreign sho-ore.
And ch, if fills my heart with joy,
To meet my dog once more.

It was the wild, weird notes of the troubadour

It was the wild, weird notes of the troubadour of Grave Place, my esteemed friend Heary Chadwick, returning from a pilgrimage to Cincinnati. Did you ever hear Mr. Chadwick sing that song? No? Then you have not lived.

Talking of songs reminds me that the publishers of the Diamond Library have the manuscript in hand of a number of new books by the base ball literati, which will be issued immediately after the holidays. Joe Pritchard has written a very exhaustive account of "Mid-Winter Frosts" in the Northwest;" George Stackhouse has just completed a history of "The Rise of the National Base Ball Reporters' Association of the United States," in two volumes, exclusive of the title; Robert Caruthers, author of "Two Hours in Paris," will publish an interesting little work in French on "The Iron Business of Chicago and Other Tricks;" Already Mack contributes a barbed wire tale of the Kentucky woods entitled "The Three-legged Hare of Campbell County;" Ex-Chairman Phelps has prepared a most logical and interesting pamphlet entitled "How to Carry an Obnoxious Amendment with one Vetay" Frank Paymall is putting and the property in the control parts and prepared in the cart with the control parts and property in the control parts and the parts with the control parts and parts with the control parts.

One extract from Brunell's letter contains the whole hing in a nut shell, and as it cannot be read too often ind considered too carefully you'll excuse me if I reproduce it. He says:

"I talked at odd times with every man who had a

Excuse me, now. I have to go out and buy you a hristmas present. O. P. CAYLOR.

FOLEY'S FUMBLES.

A Word as to the Millenium Plan-Some the Present.

I had made up my mind not to write any more, but your imperative demand will force me to contribute some more stories to THE SPORTING LIFE. Lots and lots of stories I can tell, but I ear that I may at some time unintentionally fear that I may at some time unintentionally offend some old friend, although as yet I have had no complaints, and I have met a number of players this summer. The Millenium Plan? I am prejudiced; not at your plan, but at that monstrosity—the reserve rule. I have suffered from its effect more than any player in suffered from its effect more than any player in the country. It beat me out of a living. And in 1834, when I had a chance to manage the Boston Reserves, the Buffalo Club would not release me, although, physically, I was not strong enough to play. This is a free country, and I don't believe in a rule that will prevent an honest man from earning his living. Your plan is as square as any (considering the way base ball is run at the present time), but I actually believe that the graded salary plan would prove impracticable. Answer this question:—Would it be right to pay men like Bassett (he is a gantleman), Shomberg or Basilan more money than Thompson? I know this much, that you wish to have the game at heart; that you wish to have the game perpetuated; that you wish to rest it is the control of the game at heart; that you wish to pay over \$100 a month. Last year they only paid \$75, and I notice that Clark, who goes to Chicago, graduated from the Ohio State League. The minor league people cry out:—"The League and Association are tampering with our players." Indeed! Now how is it that minor leagues tamper with one another? Did not Osh Kosh break up Bridgeport, and, for that matter, the Eastern League? Daubury and Waterbury were remarkably game. Oshkosh was game, and the people went down in their pockets and in steps Jim Hart, who says:—"Eau Claire, La Crosse, Duluth and Oshkosh must go." How kind of Mr. Hart! Here is something I would like to tell Jim Hart. If Oshkosh, Eau Claire, Duluth and La Crosse had not game men behind them the Northwestern League would have gone under, and he (Hart) would have made no \$3,000. Hart is looking for Hart every time, and will not go down in his pocket like Senator Sawyer, of Oshkosh. Hart found fault because Oshkosh strengthened her nine; but Mr. Hart found no fault with the large crowds that turned out to see the Oshkosh Club play in Milwaukee, beca the country. It beat me out of a living. And in 1884, when I had a chance to manage the

CINCINNATI CHIPS.

Sign—An Incident of the Recent Meeting George W. Bradley in a Quandary—About the Reporters' Association.

the Reporters' Association.

CINCINNATI, Dec. 21.—Editor Sporting Life:
—I think the conditions are ripe just now for a good sermon with "suppose" as a text. I see Frank Fennelly has again declared that under no circumstances will he play in Cincinnati again. Just the same President Stern is en route to Fall River to see him, and perhaps before this sees the light of print he will be a full-fledged Red with his contract for '88 signed and delivered. But grant, for the sake of argument, that Frank will stick to his determination to desert Cincinnati. Suppose he quits? The Reds are not as badly off for talent as some other clubs are. They can "fill in" vacancies very well in a pinch. Kappel has the making of a splendid player in him, and when the nervousness with which he is still afflicted wears away, he might be placed at short. It is certain that At home his accomplishments were less brilliant, though he made up with the stick errors born of fright. Then there is "Little Nick." He has played a great short in his day. I remember when he covered that ground for Chicago, when he was a member of the champion White Stockings. And suppose that George Tebeau holds back? I know that President Stern feels miffed, for when I asked him whether "White Wings" had said anything about signing, he replied:— "I don't care very much whether he does or not. I have named my figures and if he accepts them' I have named my figures and if he accepts them GOOD ADVICE.

Suppose—let me repeat the text—that Tebeau refuses to don the red? Viau is said to be a clever fielder, and it is possible he may be pressed into service if the club is forced to face such a dilemma. Cincinnati has lost many a game by not

which the Louisville magnate replied. re are two men in your team I'd like to have," amsey, of course, and who else?" asked Mr.

What would you do with Kerins?" I put in.
Let him go behind the bat," was the answer.
About Ramsey," queried Mr. Pholps. "You

It "Circle" wants to join the Base Ball Reporters.
Association let him drop that dollar into John Mandigo's hat. Brothers Crotty and Tom Fullwood are
expected to keep up Pittsburg's end.

Before I close let me wish a merry Christmas not
only to the "staff" but to all the readers of The SponzING LIFE.
REN MULIFORD, JR.

A FAMOUS PLAYER GONE.

Death of the Old Athletic Player, Judson Birchall. A. Judson Birchall, the well-known player, died at his home in Germantown, on Dec. 22,

died at his home in Germantown, on Dec. 22, of consumption.

"Jud," as he was familiarly known in base ball circles, was born in Philadelphia thirty-three years ago. He began his base ball career when quite young, playing with the amateut clubs of Germantown, generally filling the position of second base. His professional career commenced in 1878, when he was engaged by the Hartford Club, which had but a brief existence. He was then secured by the Athletics. In 1880 he guarded third base and afterward left field for the Baltimore Club until it disbanded and he then joined the Globe, a semi-professional team of his native city. The following year he was again engaged by the professional team of his native city. The following year he was again engaged by the Athletics, first guarding second base, but during the next two seasons he played in left field regularly. In this latter position he distinguished himself by making some remarkable running catches, and he made an enviable reputation as a quick, accurate, long-distance thrower. His brilliant fielding won many games for his club. Birchail also was a good every-day batter. One of his best feats in this respect was accomplished in the Athletic-St. Louis game of May 27, 1881, when he virtually played the game alone and won it by making five hits, two

BASE BALL

THE FUTURE.

The Probable Extinction of the Association.

An Analysis of the Personality and Methods of the Leader of the Organization.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 23.—Editor Sporting Lipe:
—Let's talk about the weather. It's fearful.
snow all over, and no tobogganing except Mesayer's at Ford's Opera House. But you don't
want all that, of course. You want base ball
and lots of it, but what in blazes is a fellow to
lo with Oriole Park a wreck, and the new
grounds a wilderness. It is proper and a pleastre anyway to wish all the boys on the paper a
tight tight merry little Christmas and a bloomng full New Year. And now, dear little Santa pleasant with one another in the past We have been real good—not cross a bit. at sweet now, and pretty and lovable? those naughty managers quarrel, and re not led into temptation, and we all a other too. If anyone wants to make respondent a present, let him put a base ager in his Christmas stocking—anyone—heir or no heir. It's so nice to own a—won't some one, now please? If anypromise it, Harry Palmer's stocking corrowed for the occasion. ins to dawn on Mr. Brunell. One can tween the lines that he is reluctant to it, and even now is loth to admit that

and even now is loth to admit that

Association Legislators, few exceptions, are masters in the deart of pure selfishness. Now there be a tendency on the part of those who to this fact to call it by the less unsavory "looking out for number one," if the ess practiced was not so very silly and If there actually was a gain for Baltiay for instance, in this scheming, or for eral good of the Association in which would share, there might be an unwise

ST. LOUIS SIFTINGS.

Make-Up of the Two Mound City Teams— The Association Vacancy—Local News

THE PENNSYLVANIA CENTRAL.

A Harmonious Meeting — New Officers
Elected—Looking Ahead.
A report of the first annual meeting of the

A report of the first annual meeting of the Pennsylvania Central League was crowded out of our last issue. The meeting was held at Shamokin on the 13th inst. C. W. Klein represented Hazleton; Jos. Young and Dr. E. W. Samuels, Mt. Carmel; W. A. Steel and A. L. Lambenstein, Ashland, and W. G. Buck and W. P. Caldwell, Shamokin. The pennant was formally awarded to Shamokin. The Shenandoah representatives, S. G. M. Hollopeter and M. J. Lawler were then admitted.

CHICAGO COMMENT.

The Sporting Life" as Seen Through Windy City Eyes—Clarkson and the Bos-ton Club—Why Milwaukee and Kansas City Will Not Enter the Association— Still Looking for Consolidation—Other Mention.

catcher's gloves and mask; swinging the bat at the home plate or tearing around the base runs—just as we may happen to remember them best. One may also liken Ture Secretary Luns to the targe of a theatre. It

NEW YORK MENTION.

Base Ball Supplanted by Polo for the

NEW YORK, Dec. 23 .- Editor Sporting LIFE

WILL CLARKSON BE A GIANT?
People here seem to think that it would be ood piece of business policy if the New Y.

egins then, we would not be able to play."

The Brotherhood story has at last reached this eighborhood and has been thoroughly sitted. I can't be anything in it myself at present, but then it may evelop. You can't always sometimes tell just hat is going to happen in this world. Briefly, the trn went that the Brotherhood was behind the Watns trouble, and if that move was successful Jim Mucie was the next man to be beheaded. This was to be ept up until only playing managers were left. I loke to Watkins about it at the Cincinnati meeting, and it would not have taken much arguing to have

cated anyway? The six club circuit won't do, no matter how bad the Kentuckians want to throw up fow days. Everything has been going backwards fo a week.

GEO. E. STACKHOUSE.

BRUNELL'S BUDGET.

The Association Vacancy—A Prediction as to Next Season's Championship Race— Cranky Criticism of the Reporters' Asso-ciation, Etc.

CLEVELAND, Dec. 24 .- Editor Sporting Life

CUSHMAN'S CHAPPIES.

wear a Toronto uniform. In a long and interesting letter to the World Manager Cushman comments upon the teams, and furnishes the figures of their individual records in batting, fielding and base-running. Here are the records of the man for 1887.

CHADWICK HONORED.

Compliments to be Paid the Noted Ameri-can Sporting Writer.

can Sporting Writer.

Honors are crowding thick upon The Sporting Lipe's valued contributor, the veteran sporting writer, Henry Chadwick, as will be seen by the following article written by Mr. St. Clair McElway, editor-in-chief of the Brooklyn Eayle:

Mr. Henry Chadwick, the well known newspaper man, the "father of base ball' and the author of excellent volumes descriptive of all kinds of honorable and helpful sports, was born in Eagland a little over fixty years ago, but lately passed the time of his filtieth year of residence in the United States, having been for all that period also a resident of Brooklyn. The latter fact entitles him to full membership in the Society of Old Brooklynites. A man must be for fifty consecutive years a resident of Brooklyn to be a full member of that society and for forty consecutive years such a resident to entitle him to a form of preliminary membership. Mr. Chadwick has now complied with both requisites and has been received into complete fellowship

WINTER BALL.

A Newspaper Row in Frisco.

Polo Introduced-Games Played at the Rival Ball Parks, Etc.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10.—Editor Sporting Life:—Our base ball world has been shaken to its very centre this past week, and all sorts of rumors have been flying around thick and fast. rumors have been flying around thick and fast. A reporter on an evening paper threw a bombshell amongst the League players by publishing an article asserting that the triumvirate of the California League had "held out on them" on the New York games played up to date. This created a breezy breeze, you can bet. Well, the players were all agog and up in arms against the magnates, and they called a meeting at "The Rattery" (Swenney and McDonad's place). "The Battery" (Sweeney and McDonald's place), but those loudest in their denunciations seemed to be the first to weaken and it has all ended in smoke. In short, the managers hold the whip hand, the players realize the fact, and have gracefully accepted the situation. President Mone rushed down to the Call office last night and he and "Biles" prepared, and to-day published, a very readable "interview," in which ball players, as a class, are rather severely commented upon, and the League is set right and without meeting a player from one of the several clubs "on the gate," but whether such player assisted at the "counting up" or not I have no knowledge. Everything is harmonious at the Central Park grounds, and Hart and serenity are synonymous terms. The kid reporters, or, as they are familiarly known, "the Busy Bs," have had a full-

Philadelphias.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 16.—The spell of rainy weather was very brief, and since last Saturday, and with the prospect for a long continuance, the state of the atmosphere is conveyed in that most expressive word, "balmy." An old enemy to out-door sports, Sir John Frost, every morn-ing tries to maintain his hold, but Old Sol, with attention, not only from the fraternity, but theatrical people and the public at large. The ladies of the Hart Colony are most active in their preparations for a grand time at the Windsor, on Christmas eve, and are averting in a great measure the longings for home which naturally at this time of year come over the boys. ago, and by which he is now universally known) was made happy, as was the audience, in twice striking out Kelly and Tiernan, and the way the first-named tried to lose the ball was a caution. Wednesday morning the Browns came up from Los Angeles flushed with a series of Conn Quests over the team of that place, prepared to take into camp the Chicagos, but they can against a snag in the person of Mullane who, in this contest, and for the first time here, let out a few of those kinks for which he is famous, and vouchsufed them but two measly hits. The attendance was in excess of the preceding Wednesday, and more than oncouraging. There were many notables of the operatic, theatrical and base ball world present, who, with the general assemblage, were most demonstrative in marks of approval over the best game yet played by the Easterns. For six innings did each side strive with mighty effort to get a man across the plate, but without avail. The first half of the seventh was an onslaught on Foutz, in which Chicago piled up four runs, and in the same inning the Browns escaped a shut-out. Mullance's fielding in the centre was lightning-like, while Williamson and Pfoffer gormandized base hits in a wonderful manner. Latham and Robble gave an excellent initiation of them. Bushong had an "off day." Carroll and Dalrymple did remarkable was made happy, as was the audience, in

Los Angeles, Dec. 15.—On Sunday last the Browns came here (having a day off) and easily defeafed the home team in the presence of 3,000 people. The home team could do but

PITTSBURG PENCILLINGS

No More Players Signed-The Dunlap Mat-

for an Increase—Gossipy Items.

PITTSBURG, Dec. 22.—Editor Sporting Life:
Signing the boys for next year seems to have been the only work in a base ball way here this week. But contracts were not sent to all of the men. Those who announced their stand for a big advance, were not favored. The manageweek. But contracts were not sent to an of the men. Those who announced their stand for a big advance were not favored. The management wants them to cool off a little bit. In this number are James McCormick, Miller, Galvin, and one or two others. A contract was sent to Beecher, but it calls for reduced salary.

New players are still scarce. The new pitcher has not been corralled yet. Instead of a local man new hais a foreigner who is a good one.

man now he is a foreigner who is a good one. John Dix, a Chester county twirler, who has been on the turf for some time, is not the man, neither Silas Smith, a local man, so President Nimick says. And there is nothing new in any deals. Charley Smith has not been transferred

deals. Charley Smith has not been transforred to Boston yet, and may not be.

Hines has escaped for good. Dunlap is safe, however, at least that is what they say. Indianapolis, according to President Nimick, refused \$500 to withdraw her claim to Paul; as to Dunlap, Mr. Nimick admits that all clubs have waived claim to Dunny, who was released outright by Detroit, and is now held by the League, with Pittsburg the only club having a claim on him. "Absolutely not a cent was paid for him," said Mr. Nimick to-day. "We hope to sign Dunny shortly and expect no trouble with him, He is not fighting us, but the Detroit Club."

HOW HE RECEIVED AN OFFER.

HOLDING OUT FOR THE STUFF.

SNOW BALLS.

place yesterday afternoon.
"What railroad is that?" inquired Jim seriously.

FROM THE FALLS CITY.

The Eighth Club Problem-Make-Up of the the Louisville Team for Next Season-Analyzing an Old-Time Pitcher-Bits of

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Dec. 20.—Editor Sporring LIFE:—I met President Zach Phelps, this morn-ing, and asked him when that meeting to decide upon the eighth Association club would be

called.

"There will be no meeting," said he. "A committee has been appointed to attend to the matter. That committee is composed of Robison, of Cleveland; Vonderhorst, of Baltimore, and Abell, of Brooklyn. They will consult whenever they find it convenient concerning the matter, and when they make up their minds on any particular club they will let us know by letter. We will then vote upon the club suggested, saving whether or not we want it. The letter. We will then vote upon the club suggested, saying whether or not we want it. The action of the committee, however, is sure to be endorsed. Messrs. Robison, Vonderhorst and Abell are men of caution and prudence, and I think that they will solve the difficulty as well as anybody can. And they will also solve it in a manner satisfactory to all."

"It is proposed that the new club shall be built up by means of players contributed from the other clubs. Have you any idea what players the Louisville Club will give."

"I have no idea whatever. Of course, it is too early to speak of anything of that character. I can, however, assure you that there will be no trouble about it either as to players or clubs. All will be fixed in a suitable manner."

will be fixed in a suitable manner."
"Have you heard anything from Von der Ahe

lately about Latham?"
"Nothing, whatever."

My own opinion is the same as it was when I xpressed my views in a letter to The Sporting LIFE, two weeks ago. I do not think that there is now any chance to secure Latham, and Louisville might as well make up her mind to do without him, and either expect to see Werrick or some new man on third base.

pretty good. He had more vim and enthusiasm than any of the other players, but it must be confessed that Reddy's head is not quite large enough to direct the evolutions of a base ball nine during a heated context. The Louisville Club has always had quite a number of young players, and a captain is especially needed for them.

Talking about base ball the other day with some cranks, one of them remarked:

"People talk about base ball now, but they ought to have seen the old League clubs in '76 and '77. There was ball playing for you. I never expect to see another team like the old Louisvilles of '76 and '77 which sold out the championship. There never has

ODDS AND ENDS.

I find that the raise in prices has not met so much objection here as was expected. There was some kicking at first, but there is none now. In fact, there is no protest at all, except from the occupants of the bleaching boards." Indeed, it is pretty hard on

The Sunday deal is still hanging fire. Louisville

can get the sprinter if she wants him.

Lev Shreve is still in town. He is taking good care
of himself John Kelly remains at Hot Springs. His wife is im-

proving so slowly that he is not able to move her. Hecker has developed into a great hunter. He is a skillful shot.

Kerins has enlarged his sporting establishment. He has added several fine new nool tables. has added several fine new pool tables.

I want to bet that Pfeffer will play second for Chi-

for it.

Dealers tell me that the circulation of The SpontING Life is increasing here, notwithstanding the

between Louisville and Cincinnati in last week's Sponting Life was interesting. It was copied in all

White is still anxious to go to the Milwaukee Club with Jim Hart.

It is an even wager that Pete Browning leads the batting of the American Association next year.

The Louisvilles may take a Southern trip next

spring.

Troy ought not to be selected by the Association as a location for the eighth club. It is too small. The town selected ought to have at least 125,000 inhabitants, and Troy has not over 70,000.

J. A.

IN THE LONG AGO.

A Famous Tour and Notable Victory—The "Pecatonica Horn" Incident.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Dec. 17 .- Editor Sporting LIFE:—Referring to the memorable trip of the Nationals made in July, '67, briefly alluded to by my friend Chadwick in your last issue, permit me space and I will "take up the trail" and

CHADWICK'S CHAT.

The Reporters' Work at Cincinnati-Explanation of Doubtful Points—The Ques-tion of Stolen Bases, Earned Runs and Assistances on Strikes—Our Readers Want More of the Veteran's Reminis-

Want More of the Veteran's Reminiscences—Charley Byrne in Chicago.

New York, Dec. 21.—Editor Spörring Life:—In your issue of Dec. 7th Brother Caylor, in his letter to The Sporring Life, says:—"There would be no such show on earth as could be produced by getting Larner, 'Mugwump,' Palmer, Mattison, Stackhouse, Chadwick, Mott, Mulford, Johnson, Sheridan, A. G. O., Pritchard, Brunell, &c., &c., into one room, shutting the door and locking them in until they could agree on a uniform system of scoring." Now, this would have been all right if "Old Point Comfort" had added his own name to the list. But would have been an right it of Foint com-fort" had added his own name to the list. But as he failed to connect on the occasion, and the other fellows of Cincinnati, St. Louis, Cleveland, and New York did not, the result was thorough harmony, comparatively little discussion—we were not in session two hours—and perfect accord on the subject of uniform scoring as far as we had time to go ever the ground. So much by way of a preface to a few remarks on "The Base Ball Reporters' Association of America"—not "The National Base Ball Reporters' Association of the United States", as Carlot and distinction of the United States", as Carlot and distinctions of the United States."

tion of the United States," as Caylor had it in last week's letter, by the way.

I was very glad to see that some of your correspondents have already began to ventilate their ideas on the subject of developing a thorough system of uniform scoring through this Association of ours; and the very best way to do it is to bring up every point, bearing on the scoring rules, through our weekly letters, from now until the March meeting of the Association in Brooklyn. Let us see what was done in this matter at the inaugural meeting in Cincinnnati. Mind you, we had but little time to devote to the subject, and what we did was rather in the form of starting the ball than in doing anything of a permanent character. Consequently the work accomplished is, of course, open to revision and amendment at future meetings, bequestions involved will have to be attended to through correspondence; for there will be no chance of another such large gathering of scribes as we had at Cincinnati, before the great meeting of the League and Association in St. Louis next December. In further confutation of Caylor's notion of the impossibility of harmony in a meeting of base balls scribes, I am glad to report the fact that the gentlemen of the Boston papers are in full accord with our organi-Boston papers are in full accord with our organization, and aided by Stevens, Morse, Sullivan, Harris, et. al., there will be no such word as fail in our Association's venture.

in our Association's venture.

BASE-STEALING.

We opened the subject of scoring with the question of what should constitute a stolen base, and in discussing this matter we bore in mind the fact that encouragement of base-running was to be the main object in view. The last incident related as a point to be acted upon, was the case of a runner starting from first to second.

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THE COMPLIMENTS OF THE SEASON. Once more in the ever-changing round of time we extend to our readers our hearty greetings on this the most happy season of the year, with sincere wishes that the festive occasion may be merrier and happier to each than ever before. To ourselves it is a very joyful season, as THE SPORTING LIFE was never more prosperous, the paper having steadily grown during the year ow drawing to a close in circulation, power and influence. This will, we know, be pleasing news to our readers, nearly all of whom, it is safe to say, take a deep personal interest in this their favorite paper. May all of our readers have equally good cause for general rejoicing, is the sincere wish of THE SPORTING LIFE. A merry Christmas and happy New Year to all.

TO OUR CORRESPONDENTS.

All correspondents of this paper are requested to return their credentials to the editor for renewal for the year 1888. Prompt compliance with this request is desired. We embrace this opportunity to thank our able corps of corresdents and contributors for their faithful and telligent co-operation with, and assistance to, the editor in his efforts to make THE SPORTING LIFE the best paper of its kind published on the American continent. That their efforts are appreciated by our thousands of readers goes without saying, as the correspondence department is one of the hrightest and most popular features of this journal. In conclusion, we beg leave to extend to our office staff, our correspondents and all our employes the compliments of the season. We trust that each will have a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, and that the con-clusion of 1888 will find all in the same pleasant accord with the policy of The Sporting Life and its editor and publishers as at present.

QUESTIONS ANSWERED.

great majority of them have, perhaps, never thed. To make an entry it is not necessary eight, hence there is no record of the weight

us. Toronto .-- (1) He did not play in

on made but 44 points in all.

A. W., West Hickory, Pa.—Pete Conway, of the lots, never pitched for Baltimore. The pitcher at name who played with Barnie's Orioles is Dick ray, of the Bostons. Our Louisville correspondton mixed up between these two players, the same good many other people. (2) You win the best.

B. BLANEY, Linna, O.—(1) Sexton has the best dat cushion carons; Schaefer the best run and aux the best average at balk-line, and Vignaux set single run at three-bull billiards, viz., 1,631.

A. Folwell, New York City.—Among the players rill is pretty generally regarded as the best field-first bassman in the League, and Comiskey in the ciation. We have no opinion to give.

INN, New York—(1 and 2) All except five copies, 57 copies, \$2,85. (4) Sometimes. (5) Make his play as a team and not for individual records. (6) must decline to select a name.

A Bass Ball Chank, New York City.—Director Val orn, of the Hoosier club, is a furniture and stove saler on Washington street, a few doors below Penn-lvania street, Indianapolis.

McConnell, Detroit.—(1) W. Baker, against at Boston, July 1, 1886, in 4734s. Myers' best or that distance, 483-5, was made at Birmingham, July 16, 1881.

Eng., July 16, 1881.

C. M. C., Burlington, N. J.—(1) All the changed rules but the "two substitutes" rule will be in vogue next season. (2) That is an open question.

C. E. A., Baltimore, Md.—North & Co., 1303 Chestnut street, Philadelphia, publish the Musical Journal; address them for the information you wish.

STEPHENSON, Charleston, S. C.—(1) Benedict & Co., 31 Murray street, N. Y. (2) H. H. Kiffe, 318 Fulton treet, Brocklyn. Mention this paper.

C. L. W. North Grafton, Mass.—Address, James

iorin Cardornia. (2) Yes.

T., Atlanta, Ga.—(1) Said to be \$2,250. (2) the New Yorks. He belongs to Woodstock, (3) We do not know.

SCRIBER, Phila.—We cannot recall an instance the feat was accomplished by any International opticher last scason.

Hammers. Poston. (3)

BRETT, New York.—As there are no Vermont clubs in existence we can give no list of managers.

RISLOW, Belvidere, Ill.—No answers by mail. A. loses, as all of the Anarchists were not hung.

A. L. M., New York.—(1) Ed Crane, of the New Yorks. (2) Slattery is an outfielder.

SUBSCRIBER, Charleston, S. C.—Houck's averages are batting, 336; fielding, 338.

S. K. YUNDT, Lancastor, Pa.—Mitchell's height is 5ft. 8½(n. in his stocking feet.

JNO A. HANNON Richmond Va.—106 rounds last.—

JNO. A. HÁNGOCK, Richmond, Va.—106 rounds, last-ing 2 hours and 31 minutes.

PITCHER, Mobile, Ala.—(1) Not that we know of 2) No. (3) Don't know.
BEAVERWYCK, W. Albany, N. Y.—The notice you ent would cost \$2.10.

J. H. L., Buffalo-Hornung played with the Buffalo

NEMO.-No; we have no room for detailed pole

DONNELLY, Warren, Mass.—\$2.25 per aunum. H. A. READER, San Francisco.—Yes. I. D. Cole, New York.—6ft. 1½in.

PHILADELPHIA POINTERS.

The Most Notable Engagement of the Scason—The Athletic Team Completed—Another Battery Signed—Current News and

Both local clubs during the past week made

important additions to their teams. The most sensational engagement of the week, and, indeed, of the season, was that of the famous pitcher Tyng, by the Phillies, full details of which are given on the first page. Tyng will prove a valuable addition to the Philadelphia

Wood, Fogarty and Hoover, outfielders.

The Athletic Team Completed.

Von der Ahe's Confidence Unshaken.

The Phillies' Work Bearing Fruit.

Local Jottings.

Bobby Matthews celebrated his 36th birthday a

uo. Casoy changed his mind at the last moment and did t go to California to join the Philadelphia Club. The Phillies have at last won a game in San Fran-co. On Saturday last they beat the St. Louis

Andy Cusick sigued his Milwaukee contract and ceived his advance money last Tuesday.

Stagg highly endorses King, the Athletics' young inceton pitcher.

year, is now in process of reorganization for the r 1889, and it is proposed to admit all clubs whose the result of the requested to communicate with the secretary,

Charles Lukens, 23 West Chelten avenue, German

own.

From all quarters come words of praise of young sitcher Sanders, of the Philadelphia Club, which agare well for his chances of success in the big seague next season.

The Athletic players will be ordered to report for uty March 15. As usual, the season will open with fale. The opening game will be played March 31, reather permitting.

Billy Hyndman, the Danville Club's pitcher, is in own, without an engagement as yet.

BASE BAI

The Hines Case Settled in Favor of Indianapolis—A Hint About Brooklyn—Gaff-

The Hines Case Settled in Favor of Indianapolis—A Hint About Brooklyn—Gaffney's Desertion, Etc.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—Editor Sporting Life:—In the busy whirl of the Christmas festivities, I fear but little attention will be given to base ball gossip and speculation. At this season of the year turkey, cranberry sauce, mince pie, egg-nog, exchanging of Christmas presents and greetings are more pleasant and popular topics of conversation. I, therefore, take this opportunity to send to Editor-in-Chief Richter a merry Christmas greeting hoping that by next advent season the circulation of The Sporting Life will be \$9,000 instead of \$40,000 as at present. I also desire to send greetings to Father Chadwick, the dean of the corps of correspondents; O. P, Caylor, the gifted commentator on all that partains to the National game; Harry Palmer, Spalding's confidential adviser; Ren Mulford, Jr., "Mugwump," Lawyer Stackhouse, "T. T. T.," "Circle," Brunell, and especially my good friend "Mat." and Joe Pritchard for their kind words of welcome, when I became a member of The Sporting Life's staff. I trust that whenever any of them, my comrades, visit the Camied City they will do me the honor a member of The Sporting Life's staff. I trust that whenever any of them, my comrades, visit the Capital City they will do me the honor to give me a call at 1317 F street, N. W. I promise them a ride around the monument. "Mat," Jim Mutrie, F. K. Stearns, Chris Von der Ahe, and a string of others whose names I cannot now recall, know what that implies. Washington puts its best foot forward in winter, when Cangress is in session.

FROM THE CAPITAL.

when Congress is in session.

The Hines case settled.

The Hines matter is finally settled, as Paul signed an Indianapolis contract last Monday in the presence of President N. E. Young, Manager Spence and two other witnesses. As stated in this correspondence two weeks ago, Paul became uneasy about his status next season, and he appealed to me for advice, as he has often done before. I told him that Indianapolis appeared to have an undisputed claim to his services, and unless he signed with them he would probably have to remain here next season. I frankly informed him that I thought he was making a mistake in leaving his native city, and I am sure the home management will eventually re-THE HINES CASE SETTLED.

prove a valuable addition to the Philadelphia team in many ways, and perhaps, should he pan out well as a pitcher, the club need look no further for a second baseman, as with Casey, Buffinton, Maul, Sanders, Gleason and Tyng as pitchers, the Philadelphia Club will be able to spare Ferguson to play second base in case Bastian will not come around all right or Pfeffer cannot be had. The club still has hopes of getting the great player from the Chicagos, albeit they are but faint hopes. What with men signed and reserved the Philadelphia Club now has twenty-one men on its list, as follows:—Ferguson, Casey, Buffinton, Maul, Tyng, Sanders and Gleason, pitchers; Clements, McGuire, Schriver, Hallman and Kelly, catchers; Farrar, Bastian, Mulvey, Irwin and Childs, infielders; Andrews, Wood, Fogarty and Hoover, outfielders. The Athletic Team Completed.

The Athletic Club during the week added another battery to the team, which is now practically completed. The pitcher is Mattimore, late of the New Yorks. This player made a fine record as a pitcher in minor leagues in 1885 and 1836, and last fall procured an engagement with the New Yorks. Manager Mutrie, of that club, did not give him much of a trial the past season, and Mattimore claims that he did not get any show to demonstrate his ability while with the New Yorks. Captain Ward thought well of the youth and Mutrie tried to re-engage him for next season. His record in those games was:

Times at bat by opponents, 25; runs scored by opponents, 55; first base hits by opponents, 95; runs earned by opponents, 303; average earned runs per game,

A GOOD POSSIBLE UMPIRE.

some of my Washington friends to know how slender is the t Washington Club to the League. GAFFNEY'S DESERTION.

was not pleased to have Gafney leave their ranks and go into the American Association. He was a big drawing card, and his presence at a game is calculated to increase the attendance to a considerable degree. The League would cheerfully extend the right hand of fellowship to Brooklyn with its present strong team, and it would not be a difficult matter to get a two-thirds vote to drop out the weakest Eastern club. From a business standpoint no reasonable nam will attempt to compare Washington with Brooklyn, and it therefore behooves the Washington management to put a strong team in the field next season if it wants to retain its membership in the League. From various parts of the country comes the prediction that Washington will not put out as good a team next year as it presented last season. I sincerely hope the gentlemen who now entertain such opinions will be disappointed. The Phillies' Work Bearing Fruit.

Architect Deering, of this city, who built the Philadelphia pavilion and who is at present erecting the Boston grand stand, said the other day that the Hub stand is rapidly nearing completion and will be, next to the Philadelphias', the largest, handsonest and best arranged pavilion in this country. He said further that the New Yorks were looking for new grounds in Harlem and if they succeeded in getting the lot they are after they contemplate putting up a pavilion still more expensive than that on the Philadelphia grounds. Bobby Matthews celebrated his 36th birthday a couple of weeks ago.
Sanders is spoken of very highly by the Canton Club, now in this city. They say that he is one of the most moral and conscientious men in the business, but they are very much surprised at him signing with the Phillies, as he, together with the rest of the team, promised to come back there next season.

Ted Sullivan, of Troy, is said to have signed a couple of promising local players, namely:—Pitcher Seering, of the Zanesville Ohio League Club, and centre fielder Millmann, of the Brandywines.

Pitcher Norman L. Baker has removed from Mantua, N. J., to West Philadelphia, in order to be convenient to the University of Pennsylvanis, whose team he is to train.

Pitcher Sam Kimber and catcher McCleskey, both of this city, are reported signed with the Portland Club.

Alinor comment.

There is but little local pride in Washington, owing to the fact that we have been a cosmopolitan community, drawn from all sections of the United States. It is what is called a floating population, and under the circumstances local pride stands a very poor show. With a good base-ball team here, one that will win one-half, or a majority of the games played on the home grounds, we cannot help but close the season with a fair balance on the right side of the ledger. "A word to the wise should be sufficient."

I am afraid my friend Caylor will not get many legitimate news gatherers to concur in his proposition to have a committee of press men—three or more—attend the annual meetings of the League and American Association. If one newspaper man is to be admitted to these meetings the door should be thrown open to all, as it would be but natural that those on the outside would kick against those who composed the committee. There are some news gatherers whose seen is keener than others, and if the League should have the selection of the proposed committee, it is dollars to buttons that their choice would not be satisfactory to newspaper fraternity generally. Under the present system there is no occasion for a change. It is far more joily to have the soribes from all parts of the country attend these meetings and mingle together than to have a semi-Associated Press statement prepared by a press committee. Experience in Washington has taught me that less nows is to be derived from a fellow newspaper man placed in a position of responsibility than any other class of citizens. Several newspaper men have been given appointments in the executive departments under the present administration, and they seem to take a special delight in keeping even legitimate news away from their former associates after the state of the country actions with the rest of us.

Bos Larner.

CHICAGO'S ANCIENT POLICY.

The Young Blood Theory Approved by Experience to be Held to.

In speaking of the possibility of Hornung go-ng to Chicago, a Windy City correspondent vrites:-"If any trade is made between Boston and Chicago, Chicago will not accept a man like Hornung. Chicago thinks more of young and Hornung. Chicago thinks more of young and promising, though undeveloped, players than it does of worn-out veterans. "There is Mike Kelly, for instance. Chicago

Milligan and Von der Ahe have not yet come to terms.

George Shafier says he has received an offer from an Association Club, which he thinks of accepting. The Des Moines Club is also after him.

Cloveland was after catcher Gibson, whose terms the Athletic Club has accepted.

The Record quotes Mr. Kames, of the Athletic Club, as saying that "the 50-cent admission fee is likely to be reconsidered at the spring meeting of the American Association." It takes six votes to reconsider. From whence will they come?

Hardie Richardson and Bill Crowley are on a gunning trip through the wilds of New Jersey.

Manager Phil Powers, of the London Club, was in town Wednesday after players, but made no definite engagements. He wanted George Shaffer and Bobby Matthews, but could come to no terms.

Matthews still considers himself as good a pitcher as he was in his palmiest day, and is looking for an engagement in some Association or League club, Matthews claims that he was out of condition the past senson and that his arm was so weak that he could not pitch with any effect. He says he has regnised his forner good health and that his arm was never stronger or better than it is now.

Manager Cushman, of the Toronto Club, is at pres-"There is Mike Kelly, for instance. Chicago took him when he was young in business, and let him go to Boston after he had become a veteran. Which got the most good out of him, Chicago or Boston? Chicago gave McCormick and Dalrymple to Pittsburg, which has gotten the most good out of them—Chicago or Pittsburg? Chicago developed Larry Corcoran, and kept him until she got through with him, after which he was released to New York. Which got the most good out of him, Chicago or New York?

"The success of Detroit is cited in support of the theory that an aggregation of old players can play better ball than an aggregation of young ones. Which teams, may I ask, gave Detroit the hardest fight for the pennant? Was it Boston, or New York, with their old and tried talent?

"Nixey. Detroit was hard pushed by Chicago

and Philadelphia, each of which had at that time more young blood in their ranks than any of their rival organizations. Detroit played mag-nificent ball with its veterans, not so much be-cause its men were veterans, but because they played ball to win, and not for their salaries. Your veteran, in the majority of instances, is playing for the stuff there is in it. He has a record, and looks to it as something that will enable him to look on while the

HAPPY HAMS.

Encouraging Financial Outlook-Records

Encouraging Financial Outlook—Records of the Players Engaged.

Hamilton, Dec. 22.—Prospects for the Hamilton Athletic Exhibition Company for next season are brightening up every day. Since the election of directors a renewed interest has been taken, showing that the public have thorough confidence in the new association. The fact of its being a chartered joint stock company (limited), and not in the hands of a few men, makes it the more popular. Every person who (limited), and not in the hands of a few men, makes it the more popular. Every person who has a \$5 share has the right to vote on all important questions. Mr. James Doherty, who has been soliciting subscriptions, has had encouraging succeeded in obtaining the names of about 150 as subscribers for one, two or three shares. These young men will naturally look upon the ball team as being partly theirs, and the interest they will take in it will be sure to help the attendance at the games next season. It is anticipated that 150 more will take one or two shares each. Subscribers will not be called upon to pay up any of their stock until next spring, and then and more than one-quarter will be called. The wholesale men and merchants of the city are also taking an interest in the Association. Many of them have promised to take stock as soon as called upon. The prospects are that by the time next season opens \$10,000 will be subscribed.

A LOSS TO THE GAME.

Good Players Kept Out of Big Leagues
Through Prejudice. From the Detroit Free Press.

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Some of the finest ball players in the country are colored men, Grant, who is to play second base for Buffalo next season, being known as the "Colored Dunlap." In Malone and Wood, colored, Detroit possesses two very able exponents of the National game, and scattered throughout the land are scores of colored ball tossers who would not find the League clubs any too fast company. While the Detroits were South last spring, some of the members of the club while practicing one morning uncarthed a colored player named Green, who was a perfect wonder. His throwing, batting, fielding and running were simply

conversation with two men who said they were drumers from New York. While there one of the strangers left he smoking-room and he (Doyle) soon followed to his berth and found that his money was gone, and did what any man would do—made a row about it. When the train stopped at Corinth he was ejected from it, and from there telegraphed to the conductor to keep watch on the men and try and recover his money. The conductor telegraphed back that the money had been found, and it was returned to him by the next train. He again took a train for East and was arrested at Cattanooga the next day on complaint of the two drummers for assault. Mr. Doyle claims that he was perfectly sober or he would have been arrested at Corinth by the police there, and that the pistol was simply taken from his bag for force of argument. Being so far away from home he had no time to fight the case and, therefore, paid the fine.

Snyder, of Dubuque, etc.......Ed Halbriter, the welknown ball player of this city, has removed to Lo Angeles, Cal. L. J. T.

An Ungrateful Player.

LACONIA, N. H., Dec. 21.—Editor Sporting Life.—

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Dear Sir:—I notice in to-day's Sporting Life. a communication from Worcester signed "Larkin" an item in regard to Mr. Geo. Walker, pitcher of last season's Laconia Glub, and, remembering well the stand you have taken in years past about double contract signers, I would like to place Mr. Walker in his true colors before the base ball public. The facts are these —Mr. Walker signed a legal contract to play ball with our club for the season of '88, and received advance money. After signing with Worcester and receiving \$100 advance money from them, he called at my office, arranged for his release, agreeing to pay \$200 for it—\$60 the next morning after the banks opened, and give us a lien on his salary for the balance—and the fact was he had got the check cashed the day before, and that night left on the train, leaving several unpaid bills. It this is the kind of promising young players Mr. Burnham is signing, Worcester must feel proud of its ball team. And we think up this way that we are well rid of a very disreputable ball player, and that we bought him cheap. By publishing this in your paper I feel that you confer a favor upon our association; and I think John Morrill, Wheelock and Madden will be pleased to learn spething of the character of the man they recommended to Worcester, for I do not believe they have any sympathy for such players, who are a disgrace to the National game.

Yours very truly, Geo. A. Sanders, President Laconia Base Ball Association.

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From the Omaha Chronicle.

The Philadelphia Sporting Life has given to the public what it terms as its base ball Millenium scheme, which contemplates a rearrangement of the National Agreement, and a pretty general revolution of affaire pertaining to the National game of base ball, with a view, it is claimed, of bringing the game to a better and more equitable plane than it now occupies. The scheme is a very broad one, and will require a large smount of investigation before it will be adopted, if it over is.

Ed Cushman has staned to pitch for Minneapolis

Ed Cushman has signed to pitch for Minneapolis ext season, and O. J. Patton to play third. Billy lawes is now in better spirits and says:—"We will ake trouble in that League next season."

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

JIMMY GALVIN has become an Elk.

THE Zanesville Club is to be incorporated.
RCCHESTER has signed outfielder Tom Griffin.
O. J. PATTON has been signed for Minneapolis.
ED MORRIS' contract with Pittsburg has been ap-

Base ball on roller skates is a popular craze in Kan-

PITCHER STALTZ, late of Wilkesbarre, has signed with Lowell. THE ex-Harvard pitcher, Bingham, has signed with the Salem Club. F. Voris has been appointed a Central Interstate League umpire.

JACK HUSTON, late of the Jersey City Club, is winter ing in Trenton, N. J.

Manager Barnie is spending the holidays with his

THE Troy Club is said to be negotiating with third seeman Jack Gleason.

LATHAM'S coaching tactics have not been well received in San Francisco. PRESIDENT Howe, of the Lowell Club, is on his vedding trip to Florida. Hines will play first base for Indianapolis, Shomberg going to right field.

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THEODORE SHEFFLER, once of the Mets, has accepted Manchester's terms.

It is said that the Pittsburg Club has a young local pitching "phenom" in tow.

THE Contral League has been admitted to protection under the National Agreement.

You has Angle now Western Association team will

Von der Ahe's new Western Association team will be known as the St. Louis Whites. THE Washington Club is to open at New Orleans, March 5, and play there for a week.

THE Hamilton Association will have to pay \$1,300 for the use of the Dundurn grounds.

THE Manchester Club wanted Hardle Henderson, but his terms, \$1,800, were too steep.

BALEM seems to have a fondness for college pitchers.

Bingham and Turner are of that ilk.

LORRIGAN, of the Pioneers, is said to be one of the most effective pitchers in California.

JOB BROWN, the Bridgeport outfielder and pitcher, is reported as dying from consumption.

ABOUT this time Chris Von der Ahe is exploring the briny deep and wishing he were dead.

THE Cleveland Club will not get catcher Kenyon, as Von der Ahe has refused to release him.

DARTMOUTH, Williams, Amherst and Trinity colleges will organize a little league of their own.

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Pitcher John A. Davis is a contestant in the Lynn,
Mass., cushion carom billiard tournament.

JOH ARDNER has almost recovered from the scarlet
fever, which laid him low some weeks ago.

PITCHER BILLY SMITH and catcher Dan McKeough
have put their names to Memphis contracts.

RUDOLPH KEMMLER is passing the winter playing
billiards daily. He has become quite expert.

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THE Los Angeles Club has made Elmer Foster a very tempting offer to play with them until spring.

THE Banning signed by Manager Sullivan, of the Troy Club, is a catcher from the Red River League.

HARRY SIMON, late of Cleveland, is once more an International player, having signed with Rochester.

FOULKROD, third base of Duluth '87, desires an engagement for next season. 3041 Bley street, Phila. *

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Pitcher Baldden, of Detroit, threatens to retire
u nless he gets a very considerable increase in salary.

Tomay McCarrhy is working every day at his trade,
a cutter, in one of the big clothing houses of Bosten.

Joe Hornung was the first player to sign with Boston. He appended his signature to a contract Dec. 17.

And still Geo, Gore is the only one of the old New
York Glants who has thus far signed for next season. The release of Paul Hines from Washington and his contract with Indianapolis have been promulgated

Andrews, first baseman of Memphis, was married to Miss Christine Provinzale, of Memphis, a few days

eason.

EFFORTS are being made to induce Scranton to de-ert the Central League and join a Pennsylvania State

HART and Cook, of the Lynn and Rockland teams, ish to sign as a batlery. Address W. H. Cook, Leoninster, Mass. BROOKLYN seems unable to secure a competent second beseman, and McClellan will undoubtedly have to be retained.

WANTED—A position as catcher and change fielder a some minor league club. S. Campbell, care of THE Manchester Club has accepted the terms of Burke, who pitched for the Haverhill Blues and Lowells last year.

Buck Ewing's brother William, late pitcher of the New Orleans Club is contributing base ball articles to

PRESIDENT STEARNS' resignation would indicate that still another good man has become disgusted with the base ball business.

THE Detroit directors have not yet accepted Presi-lent Stearns' resignation, as they still hope that Mr. Stearns will reconsider.

CHARLES HALISTROM, a well-known pitcher, will, it is reported, manage and pitch for the Danville Club, of the Inter-State League.

of the Inter-State League.

Joe Murphy is willing to pitch for the St. Louis Browns next season, but will not sign a regular contract from fear of reservation.

A. T. PACKARD, who pitched for the Indianapolis Club three or four years ago, is now doing sporting work for a Chicago newspaper.

ED CRANE is finding out that speed won't bother a first-class Loague batter half as much as it will the catchers who handle the delivery.

The latest from Mobile is that that city will enter

The latest from Mobile is that that city will enter the Southern League on certain conditions, which have been mailed to President Wilson.

Horace Pullings is rusticating with his father-in-law's family in the wilds of Michigan. He will not re-turn to Pittsburg until New Year.

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The following Wheeling contracts have been promulgated:—W. J. Otterson, F. Lemon, H. Yaik, S. Brodle, B. F. Stephens and F. Knauss.

Mr. Henry C. Stockbell, who will be chosen president of the Atlanta Club, is said to be a prominent insurance man and an enthusiast on base ball.

dent of the Atlantic Clan, is said to bese broll.

Five of next year's Birmingham team were members of the champion Atlantas of 1886, namely, Sullivan, Goldsby, Tom Lynch, Bittman and Cahill.

AYDELOTE, who pitched for New Orleans last season, will likely be secured to manage the Dallas Club, of the Texas State League next season.

It is reported that Jack Coloman is seriously considering the advisability of withdrawing from base ball to go into business with his father-in-law.

It is said that a good many of the Eastern playors in Frisco are blowing in their shares of the gate receipts on a certain fare game in the Golden City.

Good first baseman and short stop desire engagement for next season. Reference, "Dick" Johnston, of Bostons. Address, G. O. Van Demark, Roxbury, N. Y.

VON DER AHE sailed from New York for Europe Dec 21 on the Eider. He and his wife will remain abroad for three months, visiting England, France, Germany and

heralded as the prize player of the profession, for Caruthers will be the hero of the hour, and the sensation for the season of 1888.

In will be news to most people to learn that the father of base ball, Henry Chadwick, is a scion of the British nobility. Yet 'tie true, according to an article published in another column.

WONDER had the Detroit players' kick against Watkins, Duulap's obstinacy and the demands for still further increases in salary anything to do with President Stearns' resignation?

President Stearns' resignation?

The Mansfield Club roster is:—John Nightingalo,
John Orr, John Darragh, W. Kelly, Con Strothers, J.
H. Connors, Geo. Westlake, W. Dale, Jr., W. F. Irwin,
A. D. Randall and John Fitzsimmons.

McCarthy, Hartnett, Slattery, Irwin, Murray,
McKeever and a few others, wintering in Boston, are
engaged in daily practice, playing hand
ball, base,
ball, etc., thus keeping in good condition.

THE New England League pennant is to be pre-sented to the champion Lowell Club on the occasion of the masquerade built o be given for the benefit of the corporation on the last day of next mouth.

THE latest additions to the Troy team are short stop Low Dickerson, third baseman Jimmy Say, cutcher Hiram Wright, pitcher Fred Seering and left fielder John Millman. The latter is a Philadelphian.

John Millian. The latest is not very encour-aging. Every attempt at meeting for organization has been a failure, and the local railroad company has therefore withdrawn its offer of pecuniary assistance. The directors of the Detroit Club are endeavoring to induce President Stearns to withdraw his resignation, but Mr. S tearns insists upon acceptance, and say

he will consider himself out of office after January 1st

posed to signing any young local player, from the fact that his friends generally expect so much of him that he becomes rattled and unable to do as good work as he is capable of doing.

is capable of doing.

A PITTSBURG correspondent writes:—"The Dunlaphitch is with Detroit and not with the local management. Dunny is willing to accept the Pittsburg management's offer of salary, \$4,500, but insists on getting half of the purchase money."

THE Zanesville Club's list of players comprises, John McCann, R. Male, P. R. McShannic, A. Swift, J. C. Lauer, W. J. Fry, E. Hutchinson, Martin Duke, S. Batchelor, H. Martin, and W. L. Watson.

THE Official list of Kalamayon is:—E LOWER, J. A.

"DENNIS BUTLER, the champion swimmer, is an all cound sport. He has made an application for apolutment on the League staff of umpires."—Washington Capital. You're off. The Butler who wants to be a umpire is ex-Manager Ormond H. Butler, now want for No. Goodwin.

ALLENTOWN TO HAVE A CLUB.

ALLENTOWN, Pa., Dec. 23.—It was learned rom a reliable source to-day that the Allenfrom a reliable source to-day that the Allentown Club had been admitted into the Central Base Ball League on Wednesday. It will be remembered that the above named League was formed a short time ago in New York by the clubs from Scranton, Wilkesbarre, Newark and Jersey City. At that time it was decided that the two former should select two cities to make up the Western quota, and the latter to have the power of selecting the two Eastern clubs to complete the full membership of the League. Among the applicants for the Western vacancies were Allentown, Reading, Binghamton and Elmira. Allentown was considered the best and most desirable city of the four and was the first choice. Binghamton has the call for the other vacancy. In the East, Hartford and New Havon will probably be selected.

Malone, of Philadelphia, who handled the Williams-port team last season, has been engaged to manage the new club, and it is said he has already so-cured infielder Childs, who played in Allentown last season. Childs was recently signed by the Philadelphias, but the Allentown people claim to have secured his release from President Reach, who will have no use for the second baseman, now that he has signed Tyng. Our people will make strenuous efforts to get together a winning team.

From the Teronto World.

The meeting of the reporters and scorers, which was one of the side issues of the Association meeting in Cincinnati, is unquestionably a great step forward. For years there has been no uniform method of scoring, and every scorer had his own views on vital points. This caused untold confusion and rendered the efficial averages unreliable, and consequently ussless. By the formation of the new Association all the disputes can be referred to a board of directors, and their decision will be final.

Philadelphia Item.

I see that the scorers who were in attendance at the meeting in Clucinanti formed an organization, the object being to decide upon some uniformity in scoring. All the questions they took up were well handled, and I have no doubt but that every base ball reporter in the country will join the organization. How would it do to have chapters of the organization in every city, these chapters to send delegates to the annual meeting of the regular organization? If—it is to be a success we must have all the "boys" in it.

We have in our care letters or telegrams for

the persons named below, which will be promptly forwarded upon receipt of a stamp and address.

the New York Base Ball Combination at San Francisco, on December 14, and started for home. He arrived in New York, Thursday, but so quietly did he come into town that no one even knew that he had left the Pacific coast. He left at once for his home in Waterbury, Conn. The New York Sun states that Mulvey and McGuire, of the Philadelphia combination, also arrived in New York along with Connor. It is reported that the once noted pitcher, Charles Sweeney—now a drunkard—hastened Roger Connor's doparture from San Francisco by persistently hunting him with a pistol after a quarrel and fight in which Sweeney's face was badly bruised.

Admission to the New Central League Secured-Malone to Manage.

Very Fine. From the Toronto World.

A Good Idea.

LETTER LIST.

Managor Decatur Club.
Burell, of Burlington, Vt.
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Catcher Nic
Bralley, late of Johnstown.
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THE RING.

KILRAIN-SMITH.

The International Fight Results in a Draw.

▲ Game Fight in which the American De-monstrates Superiority—Description of

Jake Kilrain and Jem Smith have met at last Jake Kilrain and Jem Smith have met at last and, after battling for two hours and thirty-one minutes, in which time they went through 106 rounds, the fight was interrupted by darkness and the match declared a draw. The scene of battle was on the island of St. Pierre, in the tiver Seine, France, on the 19th inst. The betting before the fight was largely in favor of the Englishman, but, contrary to all expectations, the American had decidedly the best of it all the way through. Kilrain had the advantage of his adversary in reach, is quicker on his feet and red himself to be the best wrestler, which is important factor in lighting under the Lon-Prize Ring rules. One thing was clearly obstrated in this fight, and that is that Kilis not a good, strong, hard hitter. If he he dould have easily knocked out the Engman, as he had half a dozen or more opporties of doing so. It may not be out of place to make a comparison as to the hitting littles of Sullivan and Kilrain. If the Boston had been in Kilrain's shoas, and the same and walked to his corner unassisted, and forward in the succeeding rounds appa-

refreshed.

ain, it is safe to assert, would undoubtedly on the fight had it been fought under the berry rules. Under the London rules tound terminates after a fall. As will be slow nearly every round lasted less than nute and many less than half a minute these circumstances Kilrain was unable wup the advantages he had in at least a rounds. Twice when he had Smith by clean knock-downs the latter would not ad sufficient time to recover in ten seconds, to in which he would have had to be on the tound of the sufficient time to recover in the second of the sufficient time to recover in the second of the sufficient time to recover in the second of the sufficient time to recover in the second of the sufficient time to recover the London totoly gave Smith a chance to recover him, and as the detailed account of

and friends' money, ontest was with expectation as well as his and friends' money, ontest was witnessed by about 100 per-ontrary to expectation Kilrain received y. The only blunder made by the may was to agree to the London rules, by the Rollingers and decidedly, the worst agree was to agree to the second of rhich the Baltimorean got decidedly the wors fit. Mr. G. W. Atkinson performed the dutie eferee with satisfaction to all concerned. Kilwas seconded by Charley Mitchell and Ned
inelly, and was attended by Charley Rowell.
th's seconds were Jack Baldock and Jack
per, and his attendants were Jem Hower
Dick Roberts. Messrs. Fleming and Hardacted as time keepers and umpires. Kilfought at 184 plunds and Smith at 180.

nith appeared in white knee-breeches and
rald green socks, and looked a perfect Her'lrain wore black tights and brown
although in point of muscular develop-

nged to as many as twenty-three seconds, nith worked with splendid pluck, and took his unishment without wincing, although several

times knocked clean down.

Smith was the first to appear on the scene.

The men shook hands, and the principals and their seconds retired to their respective corners. Baldock, who was Smith's principal secners. Baldock, who was Smith's principal second, chose the corner which would give his man the benefit of fighting with his back to the sun, at this fime shining brilliantly. The start was at twelve minutes past two exactly. Smith, crossing over to his opponent, offered to lay £400 to £200 on himself, a similar bet having been previously laid by a well-known Dublin sporting man, the taker being Charley Mitchell. The layer of the odds quickly had the best of it, as seven to two was immediately afterward laid to-minor sums on the Britishor. Following is a detailed account of the fight by rounds: detailed account of the fight by rounds:

as seven to two was immediately afterward laid to minor sums on the Britishor. Following is a detailed account of the fight by rounds:

Bound 1—The men had no sooner faced each other than Kilrain led off with his left and landed lightly on the head. Smith countered viciously with his left in the region of the stomach, but Kilrain neatly stopped the intended blow and returned a useful tap on the same part of Smith's anatomy. Both men now sparred cautiously, but they soon closed and foll, Kilrain going down under Smith.

Bound 2—As soon as the men came together again the American dashed out with his left, but was cleverly stopped by Smith, who sent in his left sharply on the body, and the pair closed and wrestled for a fall, which again resulted in favor of the Englishman.

Bound 3—The English party were now jublant, as their man came up smitling. Kılrain, however, again forced the fighting, but Jem was not to be caught, and cleverly dedged out of the way of a well-meant visitation on his chest. Smith now popped in his left and they again closed. After some sovere fibbing in his own corner the Englishman got his man down.

Round 4—The pair responded quickly to the call of time, each wearing a look of dozged determination. Kilrain was the first to show hostilities, letting fly his left, which landed heavily on Smith's head, but in return he was the recipient of a red-hot one on the right eye, Smith gotting his left fairly home with such force that Kilrain's optic soon showed signs of closing. Noither appeared to care for attention to each other, the result being that both fought with great dash. Some heavy countering followed. During this the American landed a terrific right-hander on Smith's left ear, which narrowly escaped giving the Englishman his coup de grace. It so s'aggered Emith that he had great difficulty in keeping up, and he had all the worst of it when they fell.

Round 5—It was now the Yankee's turn to crow, and Kilrain, following up his advantage, forced the pace and he at once went in for fighting

dashed his left home three times are all rein again saved himself by getrowing his man.

The partiague of Smith appeared hen they saw cordin refreshment rain. Both men are all for wind ht the rout.

was never seriously claimed by either side. Hard hitting and tough work was the order, with the concluding throw at the end of each round, of which the American generally had the best.

Aftermath.

After the battle both men spent a day in Paris, and then returned to England but little the worse for the encounter to outward appearances. Richard K. Fox cabled over that a draw would not do, and that both men must fight to a finish, and if Smith refused he would claim belt, world's champlonship and stakes for Kilrain. He also cabled—

Dominick McCaffrey would like to have a go at Kil-

Dominick McCafrey would like to have a go at Kilrain or Smith.

Toff Wall, the English puglist, will come to America in February.

At Flushing, N. Y., Dec. 20, Frank Ryan (white) knocked out Tom Haley (colored) in four rounds.

The son of Tom Sayers, the once famous English prize fighter, is a trainer for a running stable at Nashwills. Towns.

a ten-round contest with small gloves in Minneapolis in January.

"The Spider" will shortly meet Tommy Miller in a ten-round contest at Omaha. He will also challenge the winner of the Warren-O'Loary fight.

Carney has accepted McAuliffe's challenge for a match of ten rounds to take place in the rooms of the New York Racquet Club within three months.

Mike Burns, of Waterbury, Conn., knocked out Gus Zulls in 20s. at Plainsville, Conn, on Thursday night. The fight was to have been ten rounds for \$200 a side.

Austin Gibbons bested George Young Carnay?

Austin Gibbons bested George Young, Carney's trainer, in a ten-round glove contest at Paterson, N. J., Des. 21. Both men tipped the beam at 120 pounds. Mike Daly, of Bangor, Me., and Jimmy Carroll, of Holyoke, Mass., are matched to fight fifteen rounds with two-ounce gloves for a purse, at Boston, about February 1.

Mike Daly has deposited a forfeit of \$200 to fight Paddy Smith, of Brooklyn, on Jan. 7. He wants the contest to be for \$500 or \$1,000 a side. He also wants to meet McAuliffe.

to meet McAuliffe.

The glove contest between Le Blanche and Fallon at Odd Fellows' Hall, Hoboken, Dec. 22, was stopped by the police after the fourth round. It was a spirited contest with honors about even.

The Prince of Wales has presented John L. Sullivan with a most astounding walking stick of malacca, with a huge twisted snake for a head, in massive silver, and with its scales carefully carved.

Bob Slada and John Munua, who fought to a state of the state of the

ver, and with its scales carefully carved.

Bob Slade and John Munvan, who fought 16 rounds with hard gloves in a barn Dec. 15th, were taken before the recorder at Binghamton, N. Y., on the 18th, and fined \$50 each for diporderly conduct.

Lem McGregor, the St. Joe Kid, made a good fight against Pat Killen for three rounds; at Minneapolis, Dec. 16, but weak nood and Killen bested him, although McGregor stayed six rounds and won \$250.

Before the battle:—"The Smith-Kilrain fight." After the battle:—"The Kilrain-Smith fight." The preceding "study in head lines" is of interest to those who watch what may be called the fluctuations of great men.

AQUATIC.

PHILADELPHIA ATHLETICS.

The Schuylkill Navy Athletic Club Flourishing—Novel Project of the University A. A.

—The New Union.

The Athletic Club of the Schuylkill Navy is The Athletic Club of the Schuylkill Navy is in an exceedingly flourishing condition. The membership of the club, now in its fourth year, is over 600, and it is constantly increasing. Nearly twenty applications for admission were received during the past week. The annual dues (\$12 per man) pays all running expenses. The club is free of debt and has a surplus of several the world of Allery. The club is great the surplus of several ing year are:—President, M. W. Phillips; first vice president, Dr. T. H. Fenton; second vice president, Thomas H. Downing; corresponding secretary, H. B. Langworthy; recording secretary, W. T. Wallace; treasurer, W. H. McMillan; captain, Edward Milligan; first lieutenant, H. E. McPherson; second lieutenant, George Hooley; managers, W. B. McManus, J. E. Reyburn, W. C. Brown, Dr. B. Berens, W. R. Armstrong and John F. Huneker.

A MIDWINTER ATHLETIC MEETING.

The Athletic Association of the University of Pennsylvania has decided to give a midwinter athletic meeting of a novel character. A committee of the Athletic Association and the alumni have been considering the proposition for some time, and on Saturday, Dec. 17, the final arrangements for the event were completed. The committee is composed of Edward McCullom, Randolph Faries, Carron Thibault and Percy Madeira. They have secured the Academy of lom, Randolph Faries, Carron Thibault and Percy Madeira. They have secured the Academy of Music for the evening of Jan. 23, and have authorized Frank Dolo, superintendent of the University athletic classes, to arrange a programme. The parquet of the Academy is to be dioored over, and a regulation track and athletic field will be laid out. The events will consist of running, walking, jumping, putting the shot, pole vaulting and exhibitions of rowing upon machines by the University carsmen. The University Glee Club is to give a concert, and a large band will also be engaged. The prizes will consist of gold and silver badges, The committee expect to have the best athletes in America present, and the meeting will be open America present, and the meeting will be open to all amateurs. Special invitations have been extended to Yale, Princeton, Columbia, Harvard, Haverford and Dickinson colleges, and all of these institutions will probably be repre-

THE NEW ATHLETIC UNION. The constitution and by-laws of the new American Athletic Union are completed, and a meeting will take place in New York Jan. 21 for their adoption. At the last meeting of the old National Association the secretary of that the consequence of club that the National Association had trie

MYERS IN AUSTRALIA.

His Wonderful Running at Botany in a 440-Yards Race.

world, put his right foot foremost in a very as tonishing manner at Botany. For some months the ex-amateur has been living in the ancient town of Windsor, which is about as quiet and healthy a spot as could be found in any corner of the globe to train in. He is now in much better form than at any other previous time since his arrival in Australia, and as he went out on to the scratch mark in a heat in which there were ten runners, not a few of his friends expected that he would do something good; in fact he had a certain feeling that he would win the heat, and put a £5 note on himself. I got my watch nicely started with the sharp ring of the pistol, and the way that Myers left the mark—like a deerhound—confirmed my suspicion that I would be able to chronicle a good performance.

"Myers flew round the first turn as if he were sprinting, and dashed up the back stretch with a long, graceful stride, and in every action was gaining fast on the leaders, some of whom had as much as 35 yards of a start. At the turn for home it looked as if he would win. Entering the straight he was blocked, but soon he was the straight he was blocked, but soon he was past on the outside; again he was edged and tried to get through on the inside. Many shouted that Myers would win, as old Donald Blyth, 125 yards from home, was failing. Stokes, another veteran, on the 30 yards, however, came with a strong spurt and passed through the tape in 47½s, with Blyth second. Many ares however, were no Myers, and as he through the tape in 47½s, with Blyth second. Many eyes, however, were-on Myers, and as he came even with the line of the winning post I stopped my watch, and on looking at it found that the second hand pointed to 48 3-5s. for the full 440 yards. This time is equal to Myers' very best performance at the distance, and it is strange to say that he has made the same record in Australia. in America, in England, and now in Australia, so there is no gainsaying the fact that he has

The Omaha Athletic Club has a membership of thirty-three.

At Salem, Mass., Dec. 12, Gus Guerrero covered 25 miles in 2h. 55m.

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The Jersey City Athletic Club will hold its ninth annual reception on Feb. 2.

A champion cross-country run is being agitated among the St. Louis athletes.

Peter Hegelman defeated Gus Guerro in a four mile run at Chelsea, Mass., Dec. 9. Time, 26m. 20s.

Herman Smith defeated William Malarkey in a 100yds. foot race near Pittsburg, Dec. 17, by 2ft., in 1034s.

Jack Gibson, the English sprinter, is wintering at Romeo, Mich., and talks about going to England in the spring.

At Springfield, Mass., December 17, pitcher John M. Henry was beaten by 4tt. in 100yds. by Chris O'Brien, of Holyoke.

Wm. P. Corney, of Philadelphia, left for England, Dec. 17, for the purpose of bringing Rowell and Joe Scott, the Australian, over.

Harry Bethune is now in San Francisco, en route to Australia. Harry M. Johnston is expected to proceed to the same country shortly.

Harvard and Yale are seriously discussing the advisability of confining their inter-collegiate contests to their respective colleges, so far as they are concerned.

New York, Dec. 17. His trip Wales was quite successful, he

oped out. The score:—Strokel, 488 Smith, 466; Whitmore, 456.1; Huff,

Athletic Club, of Oak Lane, Pa., an st of a series of club entertainments uncy dress carnival on Mr. Asbury's a ice forms the preicse date will be an-

SPORTS IN WALL STREET.

A Dull Week in Financial Circles—A Glimpse at the Record of the Dying Year —The Outlook for the Future—A Raid on Reading Probable, Etc.

The past week, as everyone expected it would be, was devoid of any interesting features, and relapsed into that dullness which generally precedes the closing of the year, when everybody is more engaged in closing up old yentures, rather than starting upon new ones. and jubilee times which at one time reigned at this period on the street, year by year the temper of the room has changed to the more dignified nature, until this year when the novelty was presented of a quiet, ordinary market, unmolested by the pranks of the more youthful and more successful members. Stock brokers are a peculiar class; when they are making money, nothing seems too extravagant or too ridiculous to engage their attention. A few years ago a popular member brought a turkey into the Board, which was raffled for the benefit of one of the old attaches of the Exchange, a familiar figure, by the way, in the shape of an old apple woman. A sum approximating \$100 was raised on this fowl for the old lady, and the turkey presented besides. This year it was hard work raising \$10 for the same object of charity, and a quarter of a dollar

revisul of speculation which has lain dormant for so many years, and money in the hands of the people, to whom it belongs, will be spent as freely and as gonerously as Americans alone know how to indulge.

It is, perhaps, the belief in some of these sentiments that has made the market so strong the past week. A change is coming over us gradually, but surely. Stocks no longer respond to bad news, holders will not sell, and raids only increase the short interest. Ugly rumors fall on unwilling ears, and liquidation scorns to be at an end. The feeling is universal that while no immediate bulge is to be expected, that we have about discounted the bad. Just before Mr. Gould sailed for Europe a prominent official of the Penusylvania R. R. asked him about the true condition of the Western and Southwestern roads, and why the great financiers of the country seemed so loath to avert these wars. He remarked that the country had built too fast the past few years, and Wall Street had begun to discount the future troubles, but added that the bad in the situation had been thoroughly discounted now, and that after a spell of dulinees a change for the better would be soon felt. His words seem prophetic. Stocks have fallon some 10 to 25 per cent, his own Missouri Pacific being the greatest sufferer. To endeavor to stem the tide of the country's liquidation, would be likened to an attempt to bottle the ocean, and so it is when this tide will turn. This is the reason why he and other magnates seem so apathetic, and have allowed their stocks to be hammered by stock trading bears. While the change is not clearly in sight, yet it is in progress of transformation and the strong undertone to the stock market is simply amazing in the face of recent diaquicing rumors.

I do not mean to say the bears are entirely through. In fact, they seem as energetic as ever. The Reading hands may strike on Jae. I. Should it suit Mr. Corbin's purpose, and if they do, a raid can be expected in this stock, and followed by others; but they have no longer t

Yours truly, CLARENCE LANNON.

AMERICAN DRAMA.

Henry Irving's "Olivia"—Comment of a Competent Critic—The Local Holiday At-tractions—How Florence was Guyed— Mrs. Potter Changing Managers—The Boy Pianist—Facts and Fancies.

LADELPHIA, Saturday, Dec. 20.—Henry g and Miss Terry have remained the lead-tractions this week in Philadelphia de-

Mr. Irving gave us the very embodiment of aldsmith's creation. It was a most complete tumph of the actor, and his personation should main a tradition of the stage. Miss Torry's vivia was perhaps a little less graceful than me of her other characters, or it must be that the freshness of youth was too apparently lacking in the actress. I think that Miss Terry es not quite understand the art of making up a face, or else she is unwilling to acknowledge. b, but they should not age her. This onal criticism was also the one blemish

I suppose I am somewhat prejudiced in ving's favor. It is frequently stated that he a man who pleases the newspaper critics and certain section of the public only—the sort of ablic who rave over Browning and Swinburne d Wagner and Walt Whitman, and other the peculiar geniuses of the century—and not e great mass of the people, who pay e money which supports the stage. I ink this is as foolish as to say that art is ston the great mass of the public because in many homes you will find the walls covered the cheap chromos, when a fine proof engrav-

"With a little time to familiarize the play to the imerican public," continues Mr. McMichael, "I fancy twend be immensely popular, as it appeals to the entimental side of our nature, as poor Rip does, and as enough apirit and action to make it go briskly and at the attention of the addience. Miss Terry's Olivia a really very fine, her acting in the inn, when she nds she has been betrayed by Thornion, rising to the lighest plane of art—quite beyond the flight of any ther English or American actress of our day."

Act I.—Love and law. Act II.—Poverty, crime, robbery and arrest. Act III.—(A lapse of two years is supposed to occur.) True love. Meeting of the lovers. "Honest men." Treachery. Abduction of the miller's daughter. The little rag merchant serves a friend, Act. IV.—The millionaire in rags. Fighting friends. Robbing the cripple. The boy merchant thrown into the burning cellar. A friend in need. Act V.—A nest of rogues. Chloroform. The traitress betrays the traitors. The lovers win the Inside Track.

I cannot suggest a more delightful way of spending a Christmas holiday, or a means of delighting a whole family of country cousins than to take them to spend an ovening with Clarke. He is almost the only genuine comedian of the old school that we have and he never fails to win the entire attention of his audience. As for "Sweethearts," if there is a man in this city who has a girl and fails to take her to see Gilbert's comedy, he deserves to be filted. I have spoken.

J. B. L.

Footlight Flickerings.

W. H. Lytell has resigned from the Kiralfy forces.
Frau fiedwig Niemann-Raabe arrived from Germany
Dec. 17.
The Davenport Bros., have joined the "Pat Muldoon"

Emma Abbott has purchased a block of buildings in Denver, Col., for \$70,000.

J. A. Mackay's comedy, "One of the Boys," turns out to be a French translation.

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Selina Dolaro has been engaged as play-reader at Wallack's Theatre, New York City.

Jacques Kruger has been succeeded as stage manager of the Coureid Opera Company by Fred Urban.

Henry Bristol has become a partner with Col. E. J. Miles in the starring tour of Miss Julia Marlowe.

John Sanford, having recovered from his recent attack of pneumonia, has joined Frank C. Bangs' company.

It is said that C. H. Hoyt's new comedy, "A Brass Monkey," is partly based on "A Fallen Idol," F. An-stey's novel.

ony Hart, as is now generally admitted, has been ailing health for some time, and it is said his acting

fill the place made vacant by the sudden

has created no little sensation among the Bostonians.

Maurice Bernhardt, the son of the well-known Freuch actress, has just married an Austrian-Polish lady, known as the Princess Therese Virginia Clottilde Jablonowska. She is a grandchild of Mille. Jouberthon, the stepdanghier of Napoleon L's brother Lucien, Prince of Canino. Although a princess by birth, Maurice Bernhardt's wife is debarred by her grandmother's "bourgeois" blood from presentation at the imperial court of Vienna or of Berlin. But she will be a great favorite, no doubt, jn the court of Dona Sol.

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"In the Fashion," Selina Dolaro's new play, which is to follow "Forget Me Not" at Wallack's, New York, next Wednesday, Is, as its name indicates, a society piece, dealing with the foibles of the fashion of to-day. The female characters are young society ladies, and an excellent opportunity is afforded Miss Coghlan, Mrs. Abbey, Miss Vane and Miss Guion to display marvels of the dressmaker's art, which, it is said, they have not neglected. It is promised that the dresses of the ladies will be something for the feminine mind to study. That the success of the play does not depend entirely on this feature of the performance, however, will be recognized by all who saw it at the first matince in the Madison Square, where it created a very favorable impression. The rehearsals have been very thorough, and if "in the Fashion" does not make the hit expected it will not be the fault of the management of Wallack's.

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In Edwin Booth's recent biographical articles on Edmund Kean and Junius Brutus Booth he writes:—

"The word imitation seems to be used as a slur upon the actor alone. The painter and the sculptor go to Haly to study the old masters and are praised for their good copies after this or that one. They are not censured for imitation, and why may not the actor also have his preceptor or model? Why should he be denounced for fellowing the footsteps of his old master?

** In the main, tradition to the actor is as true as that which the sculptor perceives in Angelo, the painter in Raphael, the musician in Beethoven; all of these artists having sound and sight to guide them.

** Kean knew without seeing Cooke, who in turn knew from Macklin, and so back to Betterton, just what to do and how to do it. Their great mother Nature, who reiterates her teaching and preserves her monotone in motion, form and sound, taught them there must be some similitude in all things that are true."

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Minnie Palmer's new play, "My Brother's Sister," is said to have made a hit in Pittsburg when it was produced last week. The main idea of the new piece is that of Claude Melnotte reversed and localized. A girl, who to help her father in his fight against adversity, dons boy's clothes and becomes a bootblack, is taken in hand by a jilted woman, who is determined to wreak reveage upon her fickle liver by causing him to marry a girl of the streets. The supposed "boy" is to have his sister fixed up by the scheming maiden and introduced to the young man as an heiross. Of course, the heroine simply changes her disguiso for proper female apparent, and impersonates the sister. The intended victim apparently plays into his onemy's hands by falling in love with the girl. His love is reciprocated and his proposal of marriage is accepted. But just as the jilted woman imagines that her plan has succeeded, it is shown that her "tool," instead of being a child of the streets, is the daughter of a French Baron. The dialogue of the play is described as bright and clover, and the complications as most amusing. A number of new songs and dances are introduced appropriately, and Miss Palmer has weers

A Meeting to Arrange for the State Tour-

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On Sunday afternoon last one of the largest meetings ever held in this city took place at the Continental Hotel to make all the necessary arrangements for the State tournament. Among those present were Bird, Palmer, McLaughlin, Levy, Stock, Pollard, Burris, Creahan, Bullock, Bergman, Kay, Woods and others. It was decided that all players entering the tournament not living in this city should receive \$25 for their expenses. The members present were divided into committees to draft rules for the tournament, to secure a hall, to decide what the tournament, to secure a hall, to decide what the emblem to represent the championship should be, etc., etc., All entries were closed on the 24th of this month (last evening). It was not definitely decided what the number of points to played in each game should be, but it is more n likely that 150 points will constitute the game, four games to be played each day, two in the afternoon and two each night, contests for the championship to be 300 points, and for

J. E. KINGSLET'S GENEROSITY.

J. E. Kingsley, proprietor of the Continental
Hotel, has been one of the staunchest friends
the game of billiards has ever had in this

SOMETHING NEW.

How Champion Frey Thinks the Game of Pool Can be Improved.

There is something new in pool at last and champion Albert M. Frey is the man who got it up. The idea is to play the game of pocketing the numbered balls, something after the style in give the spectators a chance to see the table cleared entirely, a thing that doesn't ever hap-pen nowadays in matches, because the rules in-

play he can Frey extended the limit of points to 800 and makes it the rule that if the table is cleared the balls shall be set up again and the player allowed to keep right on at the new pile until he tackles a shot that he can't make. test of the relative merits of players pitted against each other in matches and add greatly The new idea is to be adopted by the profes-sionals, and to enable the billiard amateurs to get a complete idea of how it works in practice, a tournament is to be held in Maurice Daly's Brooklyn Assembly Rooms about Jan. 23 for De Oro, otherwise "Balbo," the Cuban champion; John Malone, Charles Manning, Young, King and two others.

Not So New After All. New York, Dec. 21.—A meeting of the pool exports was held at the warorooms of the B.-B.-C. Co., 860 Broadway, this city, Dec. 19, for the purpose of organizing a pool tournament to be played next month at Daly's Assembly to be played next month at Daly's Assembly Parlor, in Brooklyn. After a lengthy debate the meeting broke up because of failure to agree on a style of game. It was all cut and dried by a combination to play the old game of continuous pool, that is osay, 200 balls, more or less, to constitute a game. To this Balbo, the Cuban, objected, and the meet adjourned to meet again the next day. Some three years ago a set of rules were sent to New York from a Western city, proposing to introduce this game in tournament play, and claiming it as original, when a match had been played in the East at the same identical game several years ago. A tournament at continuous pool will be a failure financially, and the beneficiaries will be the chief prize-winner and Daly; the rest will "get left."

A NEW RECORD.

Harvey McKenna Beats all Figures at Straight-Rail.

Boston, Dec. 22.—Harvey McKenna, of Detroit, has placed a new billiard record on the books, by making a run of 2,572 at straight-rail during a match played here, at Bumstead Hall, yesterday and to-day between himself and Harry Eames, of this city. The match was for \$300, McKenna to make 5,000 to Eames' 500 and only McKenna to make 3,000 to Eames' 500 and only half of either score to be made in one night. The first half was played Wednesday night, McKenna won the string. He took the spot ball, but missed. Eames made one. McKenna slipped up on an easy masse after scoring 3, and Eames duplicated the score, after having the balls in splendid position in the upper left-hand corner. McKenna then took them in hand and soon had them on the took them in hand and soon had them on the rail, and never stopped playing, except for a brief rest, until he had completed his first 2,500 points, making the remarkable run of 2,497—the record for the world at this style of play, the best previous being by Vignaux (1,531), amade in Paris in two nights. In making this play he carried the balls six and a half times are und the table, leaving them in as good position as at any time during the run, and apparently good for 2,500 more the following night. The whole run occupied 1 hour and 35 minutes. ccupied 1 hour and 35 minutes.

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To-night—22d—McKenna resumed his wonderful work with the cue in Bumstead Hall. He was to make 5,000 points, while Harry Eames, of Boston, made 500. Taking the balls in the same position he left them when he stopped playing last night, after scoring 2,497 points, he added 75 points to his great run, and then slipped up with a total of 2,572. He nursed the balls skilfully for some time and then they get into poor position. ime, and then they got into poor position, as own ball between the other two. He finally missed an easy cushion-carom. He did nothing in the next seven innings. Then Mr. Kames, his opponent, missed an easy masse and left the balls in splendid position for another

second marvellous run, beating anything ever done by any other player. He scored 2,121 before he stopped. This is the record:

McKenna—0, 3, 2,572, 0, 9, 3, 2, 1, 0, 4, 2,121, 285. Total, 5,000. Average, 416%.

Eames—1, 3, 1, 10, 18, 0, 1, 11, 0, 0, 0. Total, 45. Average, 41-11.

Levy Defeats Bullock.

On Wednesday evening last the very satisfactory preliminary tournament was brought to a close with the play-off game between Levy and Bullock for fourth place in the regular State tournament, which opens on the 9th of next month. The game was played at Palmer's room before about 100 spectators. Previous to the game the opinion was divided as to who should win. Many argued that Bullock was the better player, or all billiards and no nerve, while Levy player, or all billiards and no nerve, while Levy was all nerve and no billiards. As usual, however, both were wrong. The truth is, that Levy's playing all through the preliminary tournament was a great surprise to his friends. That he will make a good record in the State tournament seems to be the general impression. Mr. Bullock, on the other hand were in no condition to heat this general impression.

Brandt Declines.

SCRANTON, Dec. 21.—JOHN CERAHAN, Esq.—Dear Sir.—Yours of the 10th received. I am sorry to say that I cannot take part in the State tournament for two reasons:—First, I have not the time to practice, and, secondly, there is not a 5x10 table in this city. You can count me among those who favor cushion-caroms. Yours truly,

LANCASTER, Pa., Dec. 19.—John Creahan—Dear Sir:—Your letter received. I will enter the State tournament. Please let me know when to pay the entrance money. Let me know immediately.

Yours respectfully, John Cline.

Merry Christmas to all.

Mrs. Thomas R. Bullock was seriously ill last week.

Alexander Barnett paid this city a flying visit on

Friday last.

The State tournament games will be played on a 5x10 Brunswick-Balke-Collender table.

The wife of Pincus Levy, who has been seriously ill for some time past, is much improved in health.

"Those grand arrangements to stop noise"—is what a Pittsburg room-keeper calls the noise subduers.

John O'Connor, of New York, furnished a table in this city last week with a set of his Para cushions.

Engene Carton is in Roston giving hillight artible.

one Carter is in Boston giving billiard exhibi-He will remain until the St. Louis tournament

igmen's clubs of Germantown and Nicetown was won y the latter by a score of 25 to 20 games. Albert Waterman, the amateur who has been in

firs. Thomas A. Scott, of this handsome table put into her

with a sad bereavement recently through the death of his father at his home in Plainville. Young Ives, immediately on receipt of the news, left Chicago for his home, where, it is said, he will hereafter re-main and will succeed to his father's business in the

nanulacture of wooden ware.

It isn't often that tables are engaged ahead in illiard rooms in any part of the country at 6:30 o'clock to the evening, for the simple reason that supper is enerally served about that hour. Thanks, however, the young experts who are not only rapidly coming the front, but rapidly making a name, tables in he rooms of this city are engaged ahead as early as not hour in the avening.

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At St. Louis, Dec. 19, John F. Donovan was defeated in a billiard match for \$1,000 by Charles Schaefer, Jake's brother. The game was 200 points at cushion caroms. Schaefer made many brilliant shots and was unusually accurate on long-distance plays, but displayed little skill in nursing. Donovan excelled in the latter point alone. He, however, missed many casy shots and disappointed his friends. Schaefer ran out on his 100th inning, making an average of 2, Donovan having reached 152. Schaefer's best run was 13 and Donovan's 10.

THE TRIGGER.

A NEW REVOLVER RECORD.

Paine Secures a Total of 904 Points in 100 Shots with a Revolver.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Dec. 21.—A. C. Gould visited this city to-day in order to verify the scores made by Ira Paine. He saw the target and had an interview with the scorer of the match, and was satisfied as to the correctness of Mr. Paine's record. The marksman gave an exhibition before Mr. Gould, shooting at an American standard target and using a Smith & Wosson 44-calibre army revolver and factory ammunition out of unbroken boxes.

The exhibition was a grand one. Paine making in the aggregate of the 100 shots 904—excelling any previous record. Following is the score:

Grand total.....

Random Shots.

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The records and claims made by Mr. J. A. Huggins, the well-known rideman of Pittsburg, have been disputed, because it was alleged that he shot a 17-pound gun with gimlet-handle attachment and set trigger, the use of which was not permitted in regulation contests. Mr. Huggins deales this and says that in all his matches and practice shouts he shoots a regulation gun, weight 12 pounds, with 4-pound triggerpull. Mr. Huggins has not received all his trophics won at the Geneva shoot.

Chevalier Ira Paine, in a letter to the Boston Globe, states that as Mr. Bennett, the famous amateur pistol shot, refuses to cover his money for a match, wishing to remain an amateur, and as A. G. Gould has not attempted to disprove his charge of misrepresentation, he will withdraw his \$500, which was deposited for a month, as he is to leave Providence for the West to fulfill his engagements.

The Pennsylvania University Gun Club has sent out

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The Pennsylvania University Gun Club has sent out challenge to Harvard for a shooting match, to be eld at Boston at any date that will be convenient to oth parties. The following men have been selected represent the University:—A. W. Smith, P. S. Ranolph, Med., H. Farquahr, Med.; W. Smith, '89, and Brinton '90.

Brinton, '90. Chevalier Ira Paine, the famous pistol shot, at Provieuce, R. I., on the 21st, made the wonderful score of 24 points out of a possible 1,000, with a 44-calibre resolver, shooting 100 times. The score included 45 ull's eyes. This gives Paine a grand total in 600 concentive shots with a 44-calibre revolver of 5.296.

R. E. Shearer, of Cariislo, and Mayor Fritchey, of artisbuyk, the aftend match to settle the wing-shot lamptonship for Dauphin and Camberland constites,

A shooting match is likely to be arranged between Captain A. H. Bogardus and W. T. Irwin, of Abilene. Kan. It will be for \$100 a side at 100 wild birds, 30 yards rise, Hurlingham-rules. Irwin only asks that he be allowed to use a 10-guage gun. Bogardus says he will accept.

eted his 600 shots at 50 yds. distance, with a pistol 210 shots and scoring 1,679 out of a possible making a grand total of 5,279 out of a possible

THE WHEEL.

RECORD BREAKING.

Young Dingley Makes a New Twenty-four Hour Record.

At Minneapolis, Dec. 10, Frank E. Dingley, of Minneapolis, succeeded in again lowering the professional bicycle record for twenty-four hours.

professional bicycle record for twenty-four hours, making 350 miles in that time, thus holding all records from 67 to 350 miles, and easily wiping out Morgan's eight-hour record, Prince's twelve-hour record and Morgan's twenty-four-hour record. His distance for twelve hours was 187 miles to 181 by Prince. The following interesting particulars of this notable event are gleaned from the Minneapolis Pioneer-Press:—"McCurdy, Whittaker, Knapp and Eck were off and on making a lively pace for Dingley. Dingley's first one-hundredih mile was made in 5h. 52m. 25s. He was off his wheel several times, in all not consuming more than 45m. At 10:20 o'clock in the morning Dingley completed his two-hundredth mile and took his longest rest. He was off about 25m. When he remounted he made 50 miles, without dismounting, in 3h. 18m, 50s. When he had covered 250 miles he rested for 5m. He made 50 miles and was off for 8m. Dingley made Morgan's distance (317 miles) in 21h. 15m. About 7:30 o'clock in the evening 21h. 15m. His gait was slow and unsteady, and he had to be taken from his wheel. Eck, his trainer, walked him around the course once. He then got on and seemed to have new life. He rose fast and steady, and the good-sized auditable present cheered him on. He had already beaten the record him tit was the desire of his friends that

he make 350 miles in twenty-four hours. This looked exceedingly doubtful for a time, and Dingley succeeded only through the assistance of his pace-makers, and especially Whittaker, who did some good coaching. The score for and including 200 miles is as follows:

Dingley was pretty thoroughly used up, but he made four laps after completing his 350th mile before the twenty-four hours were up.

The Harvard Bicycle Club has elected G. H. Merrill,

The Cyclist, the lifeboat of the cyclists of Great tritain, was launched at Hartlepool Dec. 17.

The Pennsylvania and Century clubs will probably nite in holding a race meet in this city next spring.

ary, W. S. Harper; treasurer, John B. Young; cap W. D. Supplee. The above, with H. B. Worrell, A. Wells and W. W. Johnson, will constitute the b

A. Weis and W. T. Johnson, The amateur-professional cycling business has been terribly muddled, every one knows. But now with Rowe, Crocker, Woodside, Temple, Rhodes and Nellson America has an array of professionals far ahead of what England can show, and since the crucade against the care there are such amateurs as Crist, Kluge. what England can show, and since the crusade against annateurs there are such anateurs as Crist, Kluge, Rich, DeBlois, Hart, Haradon, Foster and Harding, The Roseville and Lynn tracks will both be used for cycle racing for another season, and if the sport isn's resuscitated then it is hard to say what will follow.

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The Pennsylvania Bicycle Club's new building, on Girard avenue, below Fortieth Street, Philadelphia, is one of the best adapted building of its kind in America, The lot on which it stands faces the concourse and is 195 by 40 feet. The base of the building is of an Imported English redstone and the walls above are of the Perth Amboy motted brick. All the exterior orn ments are made of hammered copper. In the green cellar two large heaters and a boiler farnish the water for the use of members and heat the habove the cellar and leading to the street by incline is the wheel room. This room is supplied washstands, but and cold water and racks for holding the machines. Adjoining the wheel room is a fire-proof vault for the storage of oils and waste. The reception room is on the second floor. Adjoining the reception room is the reading room, which is supplied with all the choice literature of the day. On the right of this floor are the ladies' toilet rooms, which are supplied with all the modern conveniences. The third floor is used as a meeting room, and contains billiard and pool tables. The front room is used as a smoking and card room. The fourth floor is taken up by the dressing rooms, gymnasium and bath rooms, which are the finest in the city. The entire building is fiulshed in hard woods and the gas is lighted by electricity.

electricity. Literary and Journalistic Notes. Wishing to produce a memento of the yacht victories of recent years, worthy of the occasion, and show our

of recent years, worthy of the occasion, and show off various sports in an artistic and realistic manner, the noted Boston art publishing firm, Prang & Co., have published four beautiful sport pictures. To do the matter properly Prang & Co., have spared no expense and trouble to precure paintings from the best attainable talent, and reproduce them in the best manner. The names of W.m. F. Halsall, J. O. Davidson, J. G. Tyler and Henry Sandham are a guarantee of the truth, conception and execution of the original paintings, and we can say of the reproductions that never has anyproaching them in quality of work. The four plotures are:—"The Start," illustrating the Mayflower-Galatea race; "The Finish," illustrating the Puritan-Genesta race; and the "Victorious Volunteer;" the fourth picture is after J. O. Davidson's painting "The Dash Around the Lightship." The pictures are 30x2114 inches in size and sell for the low sum of \$2.00 each. Prang & Co. also publish prints after original water-colors illustrating other sports such as tobogganing, snowshoeing, skating, bleyeling, lawn-tonnis and base

monthly, now in its third year, has just issued a great gallery picture of noted Americans, comprising statesmen, jurists, divines, authors, inventors and distin-guished women. It is a triumph of the art of the phoographer and engraver and an ornameut to every ousehold. The size of the picture is 19x24 inches, and the portraits are perfect. Every person sending thirty cents to The Metropolitum, 44 Broadway, New York will receive the magazine for one year and a copy of the picture post-paid The Record almanac for 1888 is a m

and it is beautifully illustrated as well as the printed p

KENNEL.

DOGS AND THEIR OWNERS.

Deserting the Sinking Ship-Secessions from the A. K. C.-Mr. Peshall's Position on the Nick of Naso" Case-Recent Decisions,

Wrecked on Registration Rock. That seems to be about the size of it, and it is a scramble to get out of the sinking ship. The Bostonians made short work of it. Captain Grosvenor and First Officer Moore with a couple of axes out the lifeboat tackle and as the New Englanders were all aboard, oars in hand, it did not take them long to reach Independence Island, where they were given a right royal welcome by the tribe, after which the island is named. The arrivals report that Captain Hemingway, of the New Havenites, had also got a boat. He had sent down below to rouse one or two of his men and as soon as they turned out the party would start for the ahore. The "respected Hornell delegate" was last seen parading the quarter-deck with a life-preserver on. When offered a chance to get ashore in a boat he said he would stick there till he had shown Captain Peshall that he had as much right to the quarter-deck as anybody. He has never yet failed to some out of any difficulty right end up and no anxiety is expressed as to his fate.

Captain Peshall, who had been attempting to navigate the ship and had made such a mistake in his reckoning, was in the cabin writing a circular letter to all the shipping journals of the world in which he proposed showing that the chart makers were at fault and were neither

gentlemen nor seamen.

Some of the crew are so light that it is impossible for them to be drowned, even if the rotten bulk breaks up, but if the wind is off shore there is no knowing where they will float to.

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Among those who extended a cordial welcome to the arrivals from the wreck was Editor Dawson, of the Turf, Field and Farm, who had become so impressed by the outspoken fairness of the principal men of the Independents that he had paid their headquarters a visit. Though somewhat reticent as to his throwing in his lot with his new friends, it is very evident that he is impressed with the absence of duplicity and cunning which forms so much of the stock in trade of those who had been seeking to lead him astray. He is now passing through the same experience that his predocessor had, and the native common sense of the new man at the bellows will open his eyes when he comes to compare the two methods of doing business.

I am in receipt of a letter from Mr. Peshall respecting an editorial in Forest and Stream touching upon editors as delegates to the A. K. O. I don't know why it should be sent to me. The arguments advanced are no better than those always given by Mr. Peshall when discusting any subject, and space is too valuable to be filled up in that way.

An excellent specimen of Mr. Peshall's style of argument is to be found in his letter respecting Nick of Naso's position at the Eastern Field Trials. Nick was given equal third in the pointerstakes, and Mr. Peshall objects. Boiling down the long letter into facts the residue is found to be that, ten days before the field trials, Mr. Peshall asked the secretary for the names of found to be that, ten days before the field trials, Mr. Peshall asked the secretary for the names of the judges and got no reply. He then claims that H. B. Duryea and W. A. Coster, two of the three judges appointed, are not sportsmen, by which I suppose he means they are not gentlemen, for Mr. Peshall's further explanation is yirtually that they did not act as gentlemen should under the alleged circumstances. Therefore, says Mr. Peshall, two of the judges not being "sportsmen," their verdict is illegal.

It is possibly impossible to show Mr. Peshall how he has blundend, but I will try it on ground that is familiar to him. We will suppose that Mr. Peshall is plaintiff in a law suit brought in author city or State. He furnishes his lawyer with all the facts for his argument and the case is decided against him. Now, he claims that some time before it had been decided which judges should sit at the session of the court, he wrote the clerk asking for their targets.

the court, he wrote the clerk asking for their names, and received no reply. Further, he says, that judge number one on one occasion sold pigs to the defendant's uncle with whom he had been on terms of intimacy and therefor could not be impartial in any case in which "the nephew of his uncle" was concerned. Another of the judges was also connected in an equally glaring manner with the defense, hence his decision must also have been biased.

To a lawyer the arguments might seem per-fectly clear and fair, but the man of average common sense will say, why in the world didn't Mr. Peshall find out from his lawyer who the Mr. Peshall find out from his lawyer who the judges were, and, if he thought it impossible to get a just decision from them, instruct him to get a postponement, a course to which the other nide would be only too willing to agree to? Now, coming to the field trial business, we find the counterpart of the lawyer in the handler of Nick of Naso, who could have notified his employer betterward as the transparent of the lawyer in the handler of the tolerand as the transparent of the lawyer in the handler of the tolerand as the transparent of the lawyer in the handler of the tolerand as the transparent of the lawyer in the handler of the tolerand as the transparent of the lawyer in the handler of the tolerand as the transparent of the lawyer in the handler of the tolerand of the lawyer in the lawyer in the handler of the lawyer in the lawyer in the handler of the lawyer in by telegraph as to who would judge if he had been asked.

Mr. Peshall's agent and representative accepted the judges and bound his employer thereto, and of all small things for a man to do, to kick against the man or men he accepts to decide a matter in which he is concerned is the smallest, unless he can show wherein rules were heaten or a decision given in direct variance to broken or a decision given in direct variance to the facts. In this case, however, no such at-tempt is made, the argument being based en-tirely on the judges not being sportsmen, i. e., possessed of gentlemanly instincts.

I will agree with Mr. Peshall that it was bad taste for the club to ask its paid employe to judge. It reminds me very much of the New Jersey Kennel Club's putting Mr. Mortimer in as judge when he would have to pass upon the merits of dogs owned by his employers, as against those of outsiders. Sauce for the goose seems quite a different article when applied to the gander, doesn't it. Mr. Peshall? the gander, doesn't it, Mr. Peshall?

It is the belief of exhibitors in and about Winsted that the reason the Winsted Club was not elected a member of the A. K. C., was benot elected a member of the A. K. C., was because the Hornellsville delegate was to judge there. Hornellsville is not in favor with some of the A. K. C. delegates. Take for instance the Farley case. This C. J. Farley was accused of stealing feed, feed cans, sprinklers, etc. He was notified to appear or write in answer to the charges, but declined doing so. Then notice of disqualification was promulgated, and the A. K. C., placed in possession of the evidence. The A. K. C. rules require such cases to be decided at the next meeting of the club, but it being Hornellsville business, the rules had to be broken and the case laid over.

How came it that Winsted's application was rejected and Stafford Springs' laid over. A free copy of The Sporting Life for 1888, will be donated to the person who can give the true reason, provided there is any sense in the reason.

The Fort Schuyler Kennel Club will hold a dog show at Uties in February next. E. J. Spencer, P. O. box, 172, Utica, N. Y., is the secretary. "Uncle Dick" Fellows will superin-

The case of Bowler vs. Davis was decided at The case of Bowler vs. Davis was decided at Hornellsville in favor of the plaintiff. A. E. Bowler lives in Boston. He had some beagles near here to be trained, and while a pair were running a fox Davis shot and killed one. He said they were after his sheep, but Bowler had a witness to swear the dogs were after a fox, so he of a judgment against Davis for the full value of the lawyer for the defendant e had no market value in this

that. It's the principle and the dogs I fight for every time."

The comments which appeared in this column on the case of the English Kennel Club's decision as to the bulldog Criber seem to have attracted the attention of the Stockkeeper, judging from an answer to a correspondent in the last number, and the exquisite plece of sarcasm in the heading of their second page. Listen to this:—"We observe from the current issue of the Kennel Gazette that our gentle hint has not been taken unkindly. The official organ and its readers are both to be congratulated on the full and excellent reports given of the Kennel Club committee meetings. Each case is perfectly stated, the evidence clearly given, with facts properly marshalled, and the verdict follows as a matter of course. This is different, too, when the verdict was always the startling part." The italics are mine.

Mr. J. P. Willey, of Salmon Falls, N. H., has added the black and tan field spaniel Newton Abbot Laddie to his already strong konnel. Laddie was imported last September by E. M. Oldham, of New York.

By way of a P. S. comes the cheering news that Captain Hemingway has reached shore with his full complement of men.

An article under the old title of "Whither We Are Drifting," would be in order now. Cannot C. J. P. let us know what the drifters are doing? Dear "Dr." Rowe is too much engaged in writing editorials on the future of the Toy Dog Club, to spare time to discuss the question of the hour in dogdom. In about three months' time he will get down on the side of the fence which seems most advisable in a pecuniary sense.

PORCUPINE.

AMERICAN FIELD TRIALS CLUB.

Results of the Meeting at Florence, Ala.—
Jean Val Jean Successful.

The annual field trials meeting given under the auspices of the reorganized American Field Trials Club was begun at Florence, Ala., on Dee 18 and contin Dec. 12, and continued until Dec. 20,

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The Derby stakes for pointers and setters of 1888 was first run off, with the following result:

First round—Miss Thompson beat May, Olile S. beat Count Paris, Latonia beat Queen Noble, Jacobin beat Ossian, p; Hoctor beat Little Gift, King's Mark beat Sirtus, Cinch beat Trinket's Cash, p; Jack Modoc beat Samuel S., David R. beat Lady W., p; Sunshine beat Trinket's Count, p; Lilly B. beat Claude, Laddy beat Trinket's Count, p; Lilly B. beat Claude, Laddy beat Billy B., Joey B. beat Blue Chief.

Second round—Ollie S. beat Miss Thompson, Jacobin beat Latonia, King's Mark beat Hector, Jack Modoc beat Cinch, Dave R. beat Sunshine, Laddy beat Lilly B.

Third round—Joey B. beat Ollie S., Dave R. beat King's Mark, Jacobin beat Jack Modoc, Laddy a bye.

Fourth round—Dave R. beat Laddy, Joey B. beat Jacobin.

Jacobin.

Final heat—Dave R, beat Joey B, and took first, Joey B, escond, Laddy, Ollie S., Jack Modec and Jacobin divided third.

The all-aged stakes was the second and last event on the programme, and was run off as fol-

Kennel Notes. The imported collie champion Chieftain, winner of seventy prizes in England, died a few days ago at Byron, Ont.

on, one.

The Brysons, of Memphis, have given up breeding leid dogs except for their own use. They will retain id Gladstone, the grandest setter in America, and now 2 years of age, as long as he lives.

A. O. Krueger, of Wrightsville, Pa., has repurchased rom Mr. F. T. Lane, of Glencoe, Ill., the champion bengle Bannerman and Una; also from Mr. S. Diffenderfer of Baltimore, the beagles Goodwood Music, Goodwood Rally and King William.

Mr. Victor M. Haldeman writes from Milford, Del:

Mr. Victor M. Haldeman writes from Milford, Del.:

—"Dr. J. P. Thompson, of Johnstown, Pa., desires me to say that his English mastiff pup Sandycroft Burly, which was bred by me, weighed when nine months old 433/ths. This is 6lbs. more than the Amidon dog, and is, I believe, the heaviest mastiff weight for that ugo yet recorded."

The Atlanta Ga., dog show, to be held January 2 to.

Mastiff Club.

Fox terrier coursing, long popular in England, is to be introduced into this country by a few well-known sportsmen and riders after the hounds. The Hempstead Coursing Club will hold its inaugural meeting Dec. 26 on the pole grounds of the Meadow Brook Club, at Westbury, L. I. Two stakes are open, one the Initiatee, being for fox terriers of twenty pounds or under, and the othera Consolation Stake for beaten dogs. The rules to govern the coursing are much the same as those employed at greyhound coursing meetings here and abroad. The officers of the Hempstead Coursing Club are:—A. Belmont Purdy, president; Amos T. French, vice president; August Belmont, Jr., searetary-treasurer.

FOOT BALL.

THE TURF

THE PACING PROBLEM.

From What is the Mysterious Gait De-

The following from the pen of Mr. Joseph Cairn Simpson, the veteran editor of the Breeder and Sportsman, will be read with interest wherever the name of the trotter and pacer is known. It was written as an introductory to a anown. It was written as an introductory to a letter that spoke of the great four-year-old pacer, Arrow's only brother, who is a fast natural trotter, and, with fifteen days' work, showed a quarter in 36s.

"Pacing appears to be a gait which may spring from any family. It is true that there are families which take to that manner of progres-sion as the members of others do to trotting, though not unfrequently the very fastest pacers descend from recognized trotting strains.

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"A large proportion of fast trotters have a tendency to amble when going slow, and not a few can go fast at either gait. Why one brother should pace and the other trot, or why an animal can go fast at either gait, are questions which can only be answered on the hypothesis that neither breeding nor form has anything to do with fixing the propensity—maybe it should be termed instinct—and therefore something else must be the governing power.

"It may be habit. A colt which has tried the lateral' method of progression learns that he can go easier to himself, at the rate which his driver demands, determines that he will adopt it, and, if permitted, adheres to the idea, gaining speed as his practice continues.

"The tendency to pace is more general than those who are not thoroughly conversant with training trotters imagine. Few, indeed, which at times do not display the preference, and hence the use of weights, hobbles, and the various inventions to correct the tendency.

"Formation has certainly no influence. The fastest pacers I ever saw had not what is considered the typical formation, and in place of very sloping hips, high withers, narrow chest, crooked hind legs, etc., were as nearly models of high form as is seen among first-class trotters. Arrow is an exemplification; so was Jim Brown, Lady St. Clair, Nimrod and many others, the most noted divergence being Defiance, who, after pacing in 2:17½—if my memory be correct—trotted in 2:24. 'Double gaited' horses would be unknown if the action was absolutely determined by formation, so it is safe to discard this idea, so generally accepted not very horses would be unknown if the action was absolutely determined by formation, so it is safe to discard this idea, so generally accepted not very many years ago. Heritage does not fix the action, or pacing stallion Blue Bull would not show forty-nine trotters with records below 2:30, and only three pacers to gain that distinction. Then, to show that a higher rate of speed was developed at the trot 2:17\frac{1}{2}, 2:17\frac{1}{2} marked the trotters, 2:19\frac{2}{3} the fastest for the pacers."

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Kentucky bred horse stock is bringing good prices this year.

The chestnut stallion Spink, sire of Captain Lewis, 2:20½, dropped dead at Rochester, recently.

Robert Steele, of this city, lately refused an offer of \$6,000 for the trotting stallion Erin, 2:26, by Belmont, dam by Woodford Mambrino.

Eole has been permanently retired by his owner, Mr. Fred Gebhard, and will hereafter serve only in the stud as a companion to St. Savior.

Distemper appears to be prevailing among the horses in all sections of the country from Maine to Kentucky at present. It is proving fatal in some cases in the latter State.

The vention record breakers in order have been

CRICKET.

ct as captain.

While our base ball legislators are revising their ules so as to increase the batting scores the cricketers f England are doing the reverse, as Lord Harris incends to call the attention of the County Council to the abnormally long scores of the past season, to see some rule cannot be adopted to prevent heavy runating.

The University of Pennsylvania cricket team for ext year will probably be composed of the following men.—Patterson, '88; Scott, Med.; Scott, '89; homson, '89; Henry, '89; Downs, Med.; Goodwin, '90; 'iedershelm, '88; Pepper, Law; Brown, '91, and Colday, '91.

An Australian team—the sixth—will play in Eng-and next summer under the management of C. W. aeal. It will include in its ranks Turner and Forris, he two young bowlers who have suddenly jumped nto fame. A long list of fixtures has already been granged.

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