SPORTS OF THE LAST WEEK

Events of All Sorts Reviewed from the Advantage of Hindsight.

CINCINNATI STILL MAKING TROUBLE

Reds Plowing Along at About Sixteen Knots an Hour, While the Rest Can Barely Keep in Sight of Them.

It's getting rather monotonous-this fashion in which the Reds persist in maintaining their lead in the major league pennant race Anyway, that is probably the way that several major league magnates unquestionably look upon it. Buckingham Ewing's, band insists on keeping way ahead, but there is an lota of satisfaction in the fact that they have made no appreciable gain during the week. They have maintained the same distance between themselves and the Beaneaters, but have not succeeded in increasing it. On the other hand, they have refused to allow this lead to be cut down.

And there you are. Of course, there are two months and more of the season to be played out, but the race has safely narrowed down to four aggregations-Baltimore, Boston, Cleveland and Cincinnati. Chicago, the next in the race at the present time, is too far behind to be able to pose as a dark horse any more. Some 130 points and more now separate them from the leading position in the race. That is altogether too much of a handicap. New York comes next and has not the stuff in its team to make the necessary spurt and Pittsburg is out of it altogether.

And of these three other possibilities be sides the Reds, there is but one upon whom any hope can be placed. Baltimore has poor tinker's continental whether the Orioles win out or not. Cleveland never had an aggregation that was a pennant possibility, because the right spirit does not live in the a team that will win the pennant, but he never believes it and the men behind him know this and do not believe it either. A further obstacle in the way of any pennant possibility in the team lies in the fact that they are homeless and wanderers.

This leaves the Beancaters alone as the rivals of the Reds and they appear to be in absolutely no condition to overhaul the leaders. With Hamilton, Stahl and Tenney all out of the game, they are in a pretty bad fix and no amount of patching can replace the yawning gap in their ranks. There is but one chance for the Reds to drop back; that is in their meeting some of the hard luck which has burdened some of the other teams. Baltimore, Chicago, Boston and New York have at one time or another had bands of cripples upon their hands and it would be no more than an evening up of providential fate if the Reds should be presented with their quota of hard luck.

The entire race is not as close as it promised to be in the earlier part of the season. No more than a month ago but 250 points separated the leaders and the tailenders. A gap of 400 points now stretches between the two. Louisville has been going upward and so has Philadelphia. In fact, the latter during the last two weeks have loomed into first division possibilities The Quakers have been playing a great game since the divorce from Stalling and are rapidly crawling up on Pittsburg, New York and Chicago. They cannot hope to become the rivals of the Reds, but they certainly are threatening to land high and dry in the upper division if they keep up the gait they have been setting of late.

The advantage that attends a team playand St. Paul. Milwaukee and Columbus have both fallen backward in the race and Indianapolis has taken quite a tumble. When the Cincinapolis aggregation started on its western trip a week ago they were pretty tailenders, Providence. nearly sixty points to the good, but this lead has been cut down to less than forty. Yet there seems to be small hope for the Indianapolis is dallying with an easy thing just now in the Millers and has but one more foreign team to meet-St. Paul-before it returns to the home grounds. Kansas City can be expected to give a good account of itself on the next eastern trip, for the championship bee is buzzing in the bonnets of the Cowboys, but the Hoosiers have a disagreeable habit of taking the big majority of games in the east and the chances are that their lead will not be overcome.

I. H. Rogers, a business man of Cleveland and a manager of a local club, has a new and novel idea in base ball. His scheme originated from the fact that it is possible for one side in a game to make twentyseven base hits in a nine inning game without counting a run. It is also possible for the opposite side to make one hit, a scratch home run, and win the game. This, while possible, is not probable, but has been approximated. It very often happens that the club making the largest number of hits. stealing the most bases and playing the better all around game loses by hard luck. This will not be possible, Mr. Rogers declares, if his plan is adopted.

"A base hit should be of the same value at all times," says Mr. Rogers. "Imagine a first-class batter going to bat time after time, making each time a base hit, double or triple, without contributing one iota to the ultimate success of his club, because, forsooth, the batters following him cannot touch the ball. His hit only counts in the score, with the present method, provided there are players on the bases. This is manifestly wrong. If a man can face one of the puzzling twirlers of the present day and place a ball out of the reach of eight Heikes' challenge is accompanied by a check only be entitled to a credit of a base hit. paid a high salary cannot control the ball

"In other words, the new plan is to count one-quarter of a run for each base secured, match. no matter which base it may be. If a man As a sort of response to this challenge makes a base hit and reaches first base, that Gilbert has challenged Heikes to shoot for gives him one-quarter; if then he steals the iron medal, which is the emblem of the second he is credited with another quarter, championship at live birds, which Heikes making one-half; if he can steal third his now holds. The shoots for these prizes are believed. club is credited with three-quarters of a to take place at Watson park in Chicago in run, and they are entitled to it. With the the near future. wonderful throwing and expert fielding which can be seen in any league game nowa- The seventh annual Grand American

days it is preposterous to argue that a feat of a player of the above description should go for naught. Base stealing is almost a thing of the past. It is a difficult feat and therefore one which is extremely fascinat-

direction. pitchers' battle pure and simple, the at- part in the tournament. tendance would be increased. At least that is the idea of the promulgator of this scheme and of several prominent ball men with whom he has talked.

In the Western league Phillips of the Hoosiers leads the twirlers, having won sixteen and lost four of the twenty games in is next with eighteen won and six lost out twirlers who stand at the head of the other won and seven lost; St. Paul, Denzer, fifteen won and eight lost; St. Joseph, Fisher, sixteen won and twelve lost; Detroit, Hahn, eleven won and eleven lost; Kansas City Pardee, thirteen won and eight lost; Minneapolis, Norton, five won and four lost The twirlers of Kansas City and Indianapolis are the only ones in the whole bunch that have more than broken even.

The International league has gone out of existence and in its place comes the Canadian league. All the American cities are left out and the league is made up of Hamilton, London, St. Thomas and Chatham, all Canuck towns. All the clubs start out with clean records in a new championship consupport at home; no one seems to give a test. The new schedule provides for fifty games and the season will end September 20. A couple of Canuck towns also furnish the backbone of the Eastern league-Montreal and Toronto. They are the only ag-Spiders. Tebeau may declare that he has gregations that figure on the velvet side It is an odd commentary that England should be backing up this purely Yankee Doodle game, as it is backing us up in this scrap with the cigarette demolishers down in Cuba. There seems to be no question that the Canucks are becoming too thoroughly imbued with American restlessness to be able to stand the slow game of cricket when they have a chance to get base ball. Certain it is that the England national sport is giving way to the American. Yet the transformation has been taking place durng a comparatively short time. Will Vaughan, the local cricketer, was in Canada when cricket was all the thing and base ball was an unknown quantity. He himself assisted in the introduction of the game at the college he was attending.

Bunts and Liners.

Cooley is the only tosser in the Philie aggregation who has participated in every game this season, John Heydler, the ex-umpire, is again

sticking type on a Washington paper. He says he'll never umpire again. In spite of the fact that he is with a tailend aggregation, Elmore Cunningham has won the majority of his games this season. Jimmy Collins has been put out of the came only once since he began playing proessional ball. It happened in Cleveland recently.

Jimmy Ryan, Jimmy McGuire and Jack lements have been in the big league longer than any other players. And all seem to be good for some time to come.

Anderson of the Senators heads the list of heavy batters in the big league. Up to July 15 he had made fifteen two-baggers, eight trisockers and seven home runs. Chance, the Chicago substitute catcher, ing on the home grounds has been exem-did not go into base ball for the money in pliffed in the last week by the upward move-lit, but because he wished to strengthen his ment in the Western league of Kansas City lungs. At least, such is the story that is going the rounds,

One of the great races of the base ball year is taking place in the Eight-club Eastern league. There is but 100 points difference between the leaders, Montreal, and the

Gaffney and Tom Brown are proving themselves the most successful pair of umpires in the big league. Brown, however, Cowboys and the Saints to overtake the declares that he will be in uniform next throw their money away and won't stand for Hoosiers before the trip is concluded, for season again, if not this year. Cy Seymour is the wonder of the league.

If he had a heart as strong as his arm he could win seven out of every ten games he pitched with only ordinary support. The slightest hitch, however, frighten him and rob him of control, cident he suffered in Kansas City. The estimonial subscription paper that is being circulated among the players of the big Clark Griffith, the pitcher of the Chicagos,

eague will net him a nice bunch of money. still insists on following out his pet super-stition not to pitch a shut-out victory, if there is any way of preventing it. If the Chicagos have a good lead Clark will give his opponents runs to save from pitching a The injury which has put Hamilton of the Bostonese out of the game has forfeited him the premiership in the matter of stolen

bases. Delehanty of the Quakers having beaten his record. Hamilton has thirty-six stolen bases to his credit, while Delehanty now has some forty.

Tannehill of the Pirates is not only the

leading pitcher in the league, but also heads the Pittsburg batting list with 36.0. He is very largely responsible for the Pirates' position in the race. He is one of the me-dium-salaried twirlers in the league, but will in all likelihood draw a prize package next year.

FOR LOVERS OF GUN AND ROD

Rolla Heikes and Fred Gilbert to et in a Pair of Championship Matches Soon.

Rolla Heikes of Dayton has challenged Fred Gilbert of Spirit Lake for the "E C" cup, emblematic of the inanimate championship of the world, now held by Gilbert. active athletes in front of him he should not for \$25, the forfeit necessary to bind the challenge. The conditions of the match are which helps him individually, but the club fifty singles, unknown angles; fifty single, which pays him a high salary should also expert rules, one man up standing in the be entitled to something. When a pitcher center, and twenty-five pairs. The rules governing challenges for this trophy call sufficiently to put four good ones over the for a \$25 forfeit, the remaining \$25 to be plate it should cost his club something for paid at least five days prior to the date of the match. The holder posts the cup against the \$50, winner taking cup and money and loser paying expenses of the

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handleap tournament has been set to take WITH HORSES AND HORSEMEN place at Elkwood park, Long Branch, on April 11, 12 and 13 of next year. The requirements and exacting details connected with a tournament of the scope of the Grand ing to the audience. If every stolen base American handicap are of such a nature as were to count one-quarter of a run there would necessitate the securing of the most would be a sudden revival of effort in this perfectly appointed shooting grounds ob-The adoption of this plan of scoring by Elkwood Park grounds today are unrivaled. game. If the public felt convinced that live-bird shooting, and none equal to them individual athletes against nine other in- fore the Interstate association feels confioutcome, instead of simply watching a majority of those who contemplate taking

ohn Lewis declared the other day. "Some eye, but the vast majority of the best shots the second heat in 2:09, also a world's rec which he officiated on the slab. Taylor of a barrel when shooting at a moving object. round out his racing condition, for in the ing into decoys is seen for a long time be- world by stepping to a record of 2:0614, of twenty-four pitched. These pitchers lead fore it gets within range, it is quite possi- beating the former world's record for 3 the others in their respective clubs. The ble that the gunner may sometimes close year-old pacers three full seconds. The seaone eye and take careful aim, but give him son of the year considered this is the greataggregations are: Columbus, Jones, fifteen a ruffled grouse rising with a roar in comparatively thick brush, or a plump little and stamps Mr. Keating's colt the champion quall jumping up under his feet and twist- of all harness performers. Klatawah is a both badly if he wants to land his game."

and fancies of fish," opined "Willie" day before. "Nothing is apparently more cates will find much satisfaction in his perproper thing to remember and act upon finest and fastest in the land. when going fishing. For black bass in some lakes the helgramite is the best bait, while in a lake a mile or two away the fish won't of the ledger in this eastern organization. look at a helgramite, but will greedily, that is, when on the feed, gobble up anything is an outgrowth over the necessity of maklike a frog that is given to them. At times, too, many fish, and notably black bass, are so ravenous that they will take any bait, drivers. Five per cent entrance fee and in infighting. He not only blocks and gets 1.5814. oricious habits of fish constitute one of the

chief charms of going fishing."

grown and the observations of hunters lead them to believe that the birds will be quite numerous this fall. If the "pot hunters" do not get in their work the outlook for good shooting this fall is above the usual. It is the intention of hunters to see that the law in regard to shooting out of season is adhered to and if the "pot hunters" are caught they will receive all the penalty the law provides. The hunters out in the country are laying for any overzealous sportsmen. In some of the best hunting countles in the state a person has been selected to act as detective and make complaint against barn. Mile, mile and a half and even twoany one found violating the state game laws. They will be urged on to perform their duties not only from their love of sport, but also for a mercenary reason, for onehalf of the \$5 penalty for each bird killed races have been very successful, while the goes to the informant.

The committee of the Dupont Gun club, which is making the arrangements for a prizes. Each will be of \$5 and ten of them knew nothing but the trotting gait. On that insisting on another meeting with Fitz-, Problem No. 32 was additionally solved by

targets each day. "That is the plan that was used in the Sloux City tournament," declares Snapper McDonald, "and it proved to be very successful. It has become the custom to give the added money to only the high averages, and this leaves the low men in the cold The natural result is that men who can shoot only 70 per cent and a bit above it. Why should the high men be given all last half in 1:07 and the last quarter in 32 the money since they are in already on the purses? It is a good deal better to encourage the low shooters to come in by giving a fourth mile, this time making the circuit to prizes for the low averages. Many a one in the big bunch of entries in the Sioux City Perry Warden, the veteran player, will shoot went in for the sole and simple rea-be a lifelong cripple as a result of the acson that they were given a chance of pulling out somewhere near even by winning one of the prizes for the low averages. You cannot blame a 70 per cent man for not wanting to go in against a man who scores anywhere from 85 to 95 per cent."

This system is expected to attract a large number of the shooters of the smaller bore and the club confidently looks forward to a big entry list. Further details of the shoot are to be arranged at a meeting of the club to be held Tuesday night at Townsend's

championship trophy should be put up, and it is meeting with favor. A "transmississippi amateur championship at targets' would not be a bad idea. Amateurs from any of the states west of the Mississipp might be invited to compete. A good field could be secured, as it is certain that shooters from Iowa, Kansas, South Dakota, Missouri, this state and perhaps some others will be in attendance at the tournament. An emblem for the championship could be but up-a medal or something of that sort.

The shoot of the Dupont club last week following scores were made: Townsend 18, Johnson 18, Schneider 17, Goldsmith 13, Bishop 18, Plover 12, Baumer 16, Snapper 17, Salisbury 17, Parmelee 19, Hallowell 18. The regular shoot will be held at the grounds this afternoon.

The "Indian" tournament that was to have been held on the grounds of the Omaha Gun club this fall has been indefinitely postponed. The prospects for a suc cess were not bright and it is hinted that this event in the future will be a purely amateur affair.

During the last week Albert Edholm and J. D. Weaver spent a day at Onawa and captured a fine string of bass, some of them weighing in the neighborhood of a

J. B. Meikle and Tom Brennan were another pair of Omaha sportsmen who spent a day or two at Onawa and had good luck.

Arthur Hazelton brought a string of hirty-eight bass and crappy as a result of day's casting at Noble's lake

buffaloes and suckers. I could see them in the water, but they would not notice any sort of bait, so I take the pleasure in asking you if you can suggest any way they can be caught by a hook?—Roy Pheasant. "Doughballs" are about the only bait that buffalo and suckers will go for. Sometimes hungry or too curious specimen will strike at some other bait, but these occasions are few and far between.

Klatawah's Great Performance at Peoria One of the Fentures of the Turf History.

The most notable performance of the year, so far on the trotting turf, and indeed of tainable for the holding of the event. The any year, was that of the 3-year-old pacing stallion Klatawah at Peoria recently, Klatathe magnates would give new life to the No finer arrangements could be made for wah was a good colt last year, had won some notable races in the western circuit they were going to witness a contest of nine exist in this or any other country. There-this season, but certainly the harness horse admiring public was hardly prepared to hear dividual athletes, and that each meritorious dent that its selection of these grounds will of such a marvelous exhibition of speed and effort of each one should count in the final meet with the hearty approval of a great stamina as he gave on the occasion referred to. He started in the 2:16 pace, in which he had fifteen aged competitors, among them being Redinda, 2:0914, and other notable "The question of two-eyed shooting is performers. He stepped to the front the one that is always a fruitful topic of con- first heat in 2:07%, a world's record for 3versation among shooters of all grades," year-olds in a race, and it was of course not expected that he could come back in people, excellent shots, too, do close one anything like so fast time. He gathered in never close an eye and never look along ord; but these two fast heats seemed to but the Browers, the major league probability, Where a bird, like a duck for example, com- third heat he astonished the whole horse est achievement of any harness horse to date ing away, does he then shut one eye? Not substantial looking bay colt, given in the much. He needs both eyes and needs the year book as by Steinway, 2:25%, dam Kate G (dam of Charles Derby, 2:20), by Electioneer; second dam Fanny Malone (grand-"To be a successful angler one must have dam of Maud C, 2:15, etc.), by Niagara. He not only an abundance of patience, but also was bred by John F. Boyd, Danville, Cal., a capacity for observing closely the habits and as a 2-year-old took a record of 2:18% at Oakland, Cal. He carries a good per Weaver the other day after a successful cent of thoroughbred blood and of course the bout with the inhabitants of Blue lake the "thoroughbred blood in the trotter" advocapricious than a fish's appetite. When in formance. Thoroughbred or trotting bred certain waters, should fish prefer dark flies he is entitled to the first rank among haron bright days and bright flies on dull days? ness performers, age and the time of the Yet such is unquestionably the fact and year considered. No little credit is also due charged also with an inability to hit, so also made by what horse and on what track?most fishermen will tell you that bright the Peoria track, which by all honest critics flies on dull days and vice versa is the will be accorded a rating along with the

The light harness world seems to be on the verge of a transformation in the program of meets. This prospective change ing the racing a financial success without not refusing even the homely pork. The ca- 5 per cent additional from the winners is a in, but when he is in, he does execution. loser for the promoters in the big majority By clever feinting, he gets his man to lead of cases, because ordinarily the entries are and then slips in. He seems to be too close prolonged by splitting up, makes the spectators weary before the races are finished. of the need. It has been suggested that the races should be three heats, winner of each heat to be paid off and sent to the mile dashes, handicap races and other events of this character might also be successfully employed. A start in this direction has already been made, for on the coast dash handicap races at Hartford proved to be at-

prizes for high and low averages. A new 5 years old, by Quartermaster, dam by 2:45% and the third in 2:22. Genta's im-2:50 he was hitched to a sulky for the first time and jogged easily in 2:36. He was then given a third mile and finished in 2:15, the seconds. Reamer was not satisfied, however, and after cooling out Genta was given in 2:131/2, the last half in 1:061/2 and the last quarter in 321/2 seconds. Joshua Evans and 2:12, and Reamer said he could have easily beaten 2:10 had he kept close to the pole.

C. J. Hamlin, the master of Village Farm, who believes that he has in The Abbott the be willing to make a match for \$2,500 or ship last year at Cleveland, with a record to wagon of 2:10, and The Abbott recently won the race championship at Hartford in 2:1214; but, as he did the last half in 1:031/2 and the A suggestion is also made that some last quarter in 30% seconds, he should be a good match for Elloree at her best.

Up to July 12 there were some 225 new ones added to the list of 2:30 performers.

W. W. Latta & Son of Tekamah will campaign the 7-year-old pacing stallion, Ethan H. 2:131/2, by Ethan Wilkes, 6417; dam Kate (dam of Vinette, 2:09%), by Peavine, 513, son of Rattler, 501.

Ringing horses in Germany is becoming a regular business with some horsemen that is attended with considerable danger even to natives. A few weeks ago a German was a nice affair. In the club event the horse dealer started a Russian bred mare in a race, and represented that she was bred in Germany. He was caught, tried, convicted, sentenced to one year in prison at hard labor, and deprived of his civil rights for three years after completing his

PALAVER OF THE PUGILISTS Chances for McCoy and Corbett to Put Up a Remarkable Scientific Glove Contest.

Whether the bout between Corbett and McCoy develops into a stage rehearsal re- ited-round bout between Corbett and Mcmains to be seen, but there is no question that the affair will create a big amount of ship, the following comment of Charles F. interest in sporting circles. Despite the Mathison of the New York Journal, writing fact that some of the critics are inclined of the problem of whether boxing championton, if the tales of the fishermen are to be to the belief that it is to be a cut and dried ships should change hands or not in limit affray in which the decision is to be a round bouts, will be of interest: draw, they are all speculating on the chances of the two men. If it proves to be on the level, they agree that it will be the most scientific battle ever fought in the ring. It will be a great left-hand hitter up against a great infighter. By a great left hard-hitter is not meant a slugger. Corbett was never that. He never hit hard, or OSCEOLA, Neb., July 27.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: I have just returned from a fishing trip, during which I had immense luck by making some very large catches of catfish, bass, wall-eyed pike and plckerel, but I exhausted all the schemes I knew of in trying to catch some large buffales and suckers. I could see them in punch-he has always hit with only the muscels of his upper back and arm. That is the plan he used with Sullivan and he chopped the best man the ring ever knew down with these little safe snaps.

This is the way the critics size up the exchampion to answer the assertion that he



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FOR SALE BY ALL D RUGGISTS.

have the friends of this biffer pointed out W. E. Beam. that he possesses eleverness as destructive as Corbett's left hand that overcomes a lack of slugging ability. This consists in his power of making more of his chances at close quarters than any other man.

McCoy's close work means something more than shooting the hands in as rapidly as possible and trusting in luck that more placing all the expense on the owners or is given than received, as most fighters do not sufficient, while the owners hesitate to to do damage. His arms are not in a posi-Prairie chickens are said to be about half take chances in paying 10 per cent. In tion to protect him, but drawn back at his view of these facts the promoters have to sides. One suddenly blocks like a flash and look to the attendance to get some of the the other rips into the man's body. Then, money. The problem, therefore, is to get with the speed of lightning, it bangs into the people out in greater numbers than at the face. The block is abandoned and the present. The time-honored style of best other hand jolts the body and then the jaw. three in five heats, with chances of being It is all done in a second. The spectator gets a confusing glimpse of two arms workling like a runaway rock drill and McCov is In a word, more ginger and dash must be again moving easily about with his half-bent put in; novelties might be a good definition arms swinging before him. If the opponent rushes at him, then, the Kid breaks ground, for he takes no chances. When he has his man quiet, he begins his work again. Both men are proficient in foot work, although McCoy's is not as showy as Corbett's On this score they are classed even, and the critics also opine that the two are physically matched even though Corbett has an advantage of weight and years.

By his consent to meet McCoy, Corbett declares that he is commencing the fulfillment of the promise to meet all heavy-How easily a horse can be converted from weights who aspire to the championship. tournament to be held in September, has de- one gait to another is shown in the case of Even though this looks like a bit of a bluff, cided to add \$100 money in the shape of the trotter Genta, 2:311/2, a brown gelding. Corbett's meeting with McCoy may possibly be a good augur for the future. There are system for this section of the country will Hannis, now being handled by John Reamer | those who insist that Corbett should meet be employed in the distribution of these at the Belmont track. Until June 27 Genta men like Jeffries, Sharkey and Maher before Norton, Kan.; T. N. Hartzell, Kearney, Neb will be given to the ten highest averages day Reamer had his ten-ounce shoes taken simmons. It must be remembered, however, Nelson Hald, Dannebrog, Neb. hoppies. He jogged the horse three days on made by the then champion upon the reda pace and then speeded him to a Toomey headed Cornishman the latter insisted that fectly sound. As you observed, they comcart, the first mile in 2:50, the second in Corbett defeat Maher, Sharkey or some mand the following moves to Q Kt 7 and other heavyweight of good quality. If Cor- K R 7, as well as the one mentioned. If rovement after this was very rapid, and on bett should defeat McCoy is he called upon white queen were placed at K 2, as sug Monday last he was given another trial. to defeat any one else of the heavies? Mc- gested, the position would be perfect. H After pulling a cart around the track in Coy is among the foremost of the aspirants W. M.: In the game published last week after the championship belt. If Corbett it was not designated on which side castling should defeat him it certainly does not look | took place, for the reason that such is not as if Fitz would possibly squirm out of a usual when the operation occurs on the return match.

Jim Jeffries will have to be a crackerjack to stop Steve O'Donnell and Bob Armstrong on the same night within a ten-round limit. While it is true that these boxers other Belmont members timed the horse in have been often beaten, and by opponents of less prestige than the gigantic Californian, still it must be remembered that it is a hard matter for a boxer to stop two men of different fighting style, even though they be of mediocre ability, on the same evenfastest trotter on the turf today, is said to ling, with but a thirty-minute rest between the bouts. If O'Donnell can get rid of his \$5,000 a side for his horse against the chest- stage fright and handle himself as he nut mare Elloree, 2:091/2, both to go to handles himself in private, he is more than wagon. Elloree won the matinee champion. likely to stay the limit with Delaney's protege, and make a creditable showing at that. Big Bob Armstrong knows that if he s walloped out in short order by the big ellow from the coast he will be a dead one forever so far as his ring career is conerned, and he is reported to be training hard for the bout. At one time the big championship contests. The prizes were uncolored man could go a fast clip, and if he not dopey, and is fit, he should put up a ard proposition for Jeffries to solve. The 'alifornian is expected to win both bouts by the fancy in the east. If he does not succeed his reputation will suffer accordngly. He will no doubt be ready for the fray. The contest will take place at Tom O'Rourke's Lenox club August 5.

next to him in the order named. By draw- Toledo, O., corresponding secretary. that he can get under 136-138 pounds only There was no discussion regarding it and i after distressing work and long-continued training.

In view of the fact that the coming lim-Coy is to be for the heavyweight champion-

"As a matter of fact, championships in the light classes would be impossible in America. show a strong suit or the command of unless resultant from limited bouts. It is The system was not adopted and there out of the question for little fellows to fight to a finish, because devotees of the sport will | the matter as quietly as possible not travel long distances and pay big prices to see them battle. Heavyweights who do not care to risk their laurels in a limited bout are at liberty to take long journeys. At the same time it would be much better for the sport if a majority of the bouts were limited to twenty rounds, and none to exceed twenty-five rounds. Spectators do not relish long drawn out contests, and the boxers who cannot afford the referee a chance for a decision in twenty rounds are either timid or not sincere. Providing boxers get to weight there is no reason why a hampionship title should not be won in imited bout.

Questions and Answers. RIVERTON, Ia. July 28.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: What is the best

Ans .- Your question is indefinite, as there are so many records for different distances The best record ever made by a horse in harness, however, was probably that which Star Pointer made in going 440 yards in 0:28, a 1:52 clip. This was made in the last quarter in a race against time on the Terre Haute track on September 28, 1897. fastest mile ever covered was at Chilli cothe, O., October 4, 1894, when Flying Jib. with a running mate, made by a record of

CHESS.

The following game was recently completed in the state correspondence tourns ment between President Nelson Hald and A. Powell. On his twenty-third move white overlooked the fact that his sixteenth move had left his rook exposed and he accord-

ingly resigned:	
	LOPEZ.
White-Powell.	Black-Hald.
2-Kt to K B 3.	1-P to K 4.
1-P to K 4.	2-Kt to Q B 3.
3-B to Kt 5.	3-Kt to B 3.
4—Castles.	4-Kt takes P.
5-P to Q 4.	5-B to K 2.
6-Q to K 2.	6-Kt to Q 3.
7-B takes Kt.	7-Kt P takes B.
8-P takes P.	8-Kt to Kt 2.
9-R to Q sq.	9Castles.
lo-Kt to B 3.	10-Q to K sq.
11-Kt to K 4.	11-Kt to B 4.
12-Kt to Kt 3.	12-Kt to K 3.
13-Kt to B 5.	13-P to B 3.
14—Q to K. 4.	14—P takes P.
15-Kt takes K P.	15—B to B 4.
16-P to Q Kt 3.	16—P to Q 4.
17-Q to K Kt 4.	17-Kt to Kt 4.
18—B takes Kt.	18-B takes Kt,
19—Q to Kt 3,	19-B takes Q B l
20—R to Q 2.	20-B to K 5.
21—Kt to Q 3.	21-B takes Kt.
22-Q takes B.	22-Q to K 4.
23_B to R 4.	23-Q takes R (ch

Problem No. 33; done by Q to K 4. Solved by H. W. Moore, Lincoln; D. F. Logan,

23-Q takes R (ch.)

D. F. L.: The secondary key moves to problem No. 33, noted by you of Q to Q Kt's Sq. and Q to K. R. Sq. were clever and per king's side. The notation, Q R to K B could have only the single significance, queen's rook to king's bishop's square. Your notes on the Rasmussen-Winchester game were well taken.

A newly compiled catalogue or chess fitersture has been received from E. B. Escott Sheboygan, Wis., who will furnish information on any book on the subject desired The compilation includes works on openings, endings, and problems, as well as period icals, accounts of tournaments and treatise of a general nature.

WHIST.

The session of the American Whist league, finished in Boston, Mass., on July 16, is said to have been in many respects superior to its predecessors. The play was all of a high class and in the open events there were quite as strong players as in any of the usually desirable and those for the championship events were separated from the others, the winners being permitted to take their choice of anything in the case. Quite a number of prizes were evidently intended for women and the result showed that this foresight had been well expended, for women were both numerous in attendance and well represented among the victors. LeRoy Smith of Albany, N. Y., who was elected By drawing with Kid McPartland last president for the ensuing year has accomyeck, Jack Everhardt seems to have injected plished a great deal for the game and is one nimself into the circle of aspirants for the of the strongest men in the league. Other aurels of the lightweight class. Kid officers were elected as follows: B. L. Lavigne must at present be assigned the Richards, Rock Rapids, Ia., vice president paim, but Jack Daly, McPartland and Spike Clarence A. Henriques, New York City Sullivan were placed by competent critics recording secretary, and L. G. Parker of

ing with McPartland, the once great cham- | The report of the committee on system pion of the southern lightweights with the of play, which was expected to contain invulnerable jaw, has demonstrated that he provisions for a common understanding is still in it with the best of them. But he among league members as to a standard These photogravures are beauis not likely to be in it long, for it is claimed | method of play, was not cordialy received. was merely laid on the shelf for a year where any club which so wishes may refe to it. The system as stated by the commit tee is said to be strictly orthodox and gives all the second and third hand plays, the various methods of playing trumps both before and after a pree, and the unblocking tactics exactly as they are given in "Foster's Manual," which has been for so long the text book for beginners. The committee recommends the number-showing leads in high cards and also the discard signal seemed to be a general desire to get rid of

In the following position by C. T. Milliken of Sacramento, Cal., clubs are trumps, North to lead and with South to make eight tricks;

He Didn't Know About It. Cleveland Leader: "By Jove." exclaimed the bridegroom, as he sat down and tugged away at his mustache, "this is too bad!" had just arrived at Niagara Falls cannot hit hard. And as Kid McCoy is record ever made by a horse in harness, and the porter had bowed himself out after known. Ab, Harry, dear, I'm so happy!

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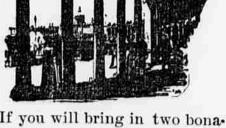
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carrying up a trunk that weighed 487 pounds, for which he received a 50-cent The frightened girl dropped her travelling hat upon the center table and stood as i transfixed, with one of her gloves half off. "What is it, Harry?" she asked. "This is a fine go," he muttered. "I won-der how in the world I ever came to do such a foolish thing."

Then he felt in his pockets again, and cast a helpleas look at the big trunk. "You-you haven't lost your pocketbook, have you?" she asked, "No, darling," he answered, "but I left my keys at home, and the one that opens your trunk is among them." "Oh, is that all?" she exclaimed with a happy little sigh. "Here"—and she removed a hairpin from her rich brown locks—"open it with this. Now I know that I am the only girl in whom you ever took a