# SPORTS OF THE LAST WEEK

Race for the Big League Pennant is Still an Open Proposition.

BITS OF GENERAL SPORT CINCINNATI HOLDS ON TO FIRST PLACE

Stand of the Reds a Surprisingly Stiff One, but Boston, Cleveland and Baltimore Refuse to Be Shaken Off.

There is no question as the season ad vances further and further that this year's race in the big league is all-in-all the closest that the association has known since the twelve-club amaignmation. The dozen clubs were never matched as they are this season apparently and one of the surprises is the bowling over of the crackerjacks by the trailers in the race. Cincinnati was once compelled to kiss the dust in three games out of a series of four with Washington, the Orioles lost three of their series with the Colonels and now the latter are giving the same sort of a dose to the Beaneaters. In fact, such is the seeming equality of the teams that it is useless to predict from their standing in the race that such and such a club will win or lose. For example. Boston ought to have a snap with the Colonels under any circumstances and Cincinnati should certainly have skinned New York on her home grounds. Yet the Giants win three out of four with the Reds and tie the fifth, while Louisville does exactly likewise with the Bostonese, winning three, losing one and tying one. It is past

Naturally, as the Beancaters and the Reds the past week there is hardly any change in their relative standing in the race. But the them that they have yet met during the coming two or three weeks. Commencing Boston on the home grounds, then an easy three at Brooklyn, or what should be an easy trio, then three at New York and three at Boston. Following this are three on the Philadelphia. Boston has some tight wads. too, such as Cleveland, Cincinnati and Chicago, but as the Bostonese meet these on the home grounds, where they have been ordinarily invincible, they look to have the the America's cup was won-1851. their western trip once more. If the Reds his charities. lead, they can be safely picked as the pennant winners for 1898. Of course the Cleveland aggregation and the Orioles must also be figured still in the calculations, but the latter are dropping behind and the former will hardly struggle in a championship fashion so long as they remain without a home. The Giants have crept on the Orphans and the Louisvilles have overhauled the Washington aggregation. These are practically the only changes in the running that the week has witnessed.

Under present circumstances one is strongly tempted to tip the Blues as the winners of the Western league championship. The Manning aggregation has gotten the been laboring for months. Once overtaken by the Cowboys, it is questionable if the Cincinnati reserve farm can ever fight back into the lead. To be sure the Hoosiers have gone home before in second place, but it has always been St. Paul in the lead. The Saints can never do, or at least have never done anything of much account on foreign grounds, their strength only appearing when City band. Those lads, consisting of Sharkey sluggers and nice slick fielders, have played a consistent game at home and abroad. In fact, in this respect they surpass anything in the league, as the Hoosiers have always fallen down when in the west. Moreover, the Cowboys have never given such absolutely rank exhibitions as both the Hoosiers and the Saints have at times been capable of.

The struggle for second place has narrowed down considerably of late. The Saints are right after the Blues, but as has been said, they will probably fall to keep up the lick on the eastern tour that is shortly to begin. Milwaukee may be expected to take a spurt, but with the uncertainty of being able to stick to Columbus, the Senators are not likely to boost upward very far. Our own Babes will probably never be able to get out of that seventh hole. They have shown a lamentably bad batting orb here of

The uncertainty over the Browns and the Pirates has led to a variety of figurings and dickerings. It has been that various individuals and syndicates would buy the Browns and that Robinson would purchase the franchise, transfer his spiders to St. Louis and that Indianapolis would be made a big league city with the present Indianapolis team as a big league aggregation, while the Browns would be planted in Cleveland as a Western league team. Now, however comes a proposition from Philadelphia that that berg ought to purchase the Cleveland team and out of the joint Quaker and Spider push make up a team for next year. The fans in quaker town are asking what would prevent them from having a pennant winner with Tebeau as manager, Cuppy, Young, Powell, Wilson, Jones, Piatt, Orth and Fifield or any five of them for pitchers; Mc Farland, Criger and O'Connor for catchers; Douglass or Lajoie for first base: Lajoie or Childs for second base; McKean, Childs or Lajoie for short stop; Wallace for third base; and Delehanty, Burkett, Flick and Cooley for outfielders. It would be a crackerjack, sure.

In Canada it has become necessary to print the story, score and summary of base ball games in French in order that the Frogeaters may get on to what has occurred. Here's a sample of what was dished up as a result of a game between Montreal and

"Sacrifice hits, Noblit, Shelbeck; coups bons pour deux buts, Shearon, Barry, Dooley, Henry; buts voles, Crisham, News, Braun; premier but sur quatre balles, par Braun, 1; premier but sur erreur, Providence, 4; struck out, par Braun, 1; par boulers, 3; frapep par balle lancee par le pitcher, Jacklitz; temps, 1:40 heure; um-

There is a story that some one accused Dooley of making a few "coups bons pour grounds. He leaped out of the 'bus and and two policemen were mixed in a second and it was only after it was fully explained that "coups bons pour deux buts" did not mean remarks detrimental to the Catholic church that Dooley was pacified.

The scheme of a Cleveland crank which was mentioned in this column last week, according to which each player is to receive one-quarter for each base gained, was given a practical trial last week. Nines from two bicycle organizations, known as the Colonials and the Cleveland Wheel club. played and it is said that considerable en-



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thusiasm was aroused. As was expected, pionship to wagon with a mark of 2:15, come together once before in a twenty-five from all reports there are plenty of the system stimulated base-running and Hopeful, the greatest of the old-time trotthe result was a snappler game than is Cleveland Wheel club won by an even to sulky was 2:14%. score. The score looked like this: Clevelands 3% 1% 0 0 0 3% 1% 0 112-12 Colonials ...0 2% % 0 0 % 2% 1% % -8

Sir Thomas Lipton's Challenge for the America's Cup Arouses a Great Deal of Comment.

The challenge is a distinctively Irish one. Clyde. It is to bear an Irish pame-the Sir Lipton is not a member of this club, but has selected it as the bearer of his and in several other important races. At hearsal. The ex-pompadour is taking his challenge because it is nearest to his arish Buffalo she will meet Butler's great colt, bicycle spins and wearing out half a dozen

It is very natural that the English snob, Lord Dunrayen, who was the latest to be defeated in the contest for the cup, should place the stamp of disapproval upon Sir Lipton's idea. It is just as natural that a great number of English yachting clubs are Englishman, who is, by the way, an Irishmade something of an asinine spectacle of himself by his baseless charges have cut practically the same pace during of unfairness at the time the Defender successfully retained the cup on this side of the big pond. It is probable, however, that Reds have the toughest proposition before even though the Royal Ulster club has referred the matter to the English yachting clubs, it will not knuckle down to any with yesterday they have four games with adverse decision regarding the matter on their part.

Sir Lipton is of Scotch-Irish parentage and is one of the richest men in Great Britain, his fortune being estimated at from home grounds with Baltimore and three with \$50,000,000 to \$60,000,000. He made his fortune in tea and beef. One of his beef packing establishments is located in Chicago. A singular fact in connection with his challenge is that he was born the same year best of the argument until they start upon Thomas is known throughout the world for He gave \$100,000 to the come out of this stage of the race in the princess of Wales' children's jubilee dinner fund and \$125,000 for the relief of the Indian famine sufferers. He was knighted in 1898 for his jubilee gift.

"Lipton gave £25,600 for the queen's jubilee and was knighted," declares an English sportsman, "if the wins the America's cup he will get a peerage."

The Spaniards spoiled the biggest innational tennis tournament yet held. This was the recent tourney that was held at Newcastle, England, in conjunction with the Northumberland meeting. A representative American team was to have been pitted against the pick of English experts in this affair. In view of the enlistment in the American army of Larned and Hoosiers into a position for which they have Wrenn, however, the prospects of the American team were ruined and the scheme was abandoned. Several experts, reputed to be of lesser worth than Wrenn and Larned, refused to attend the tournament because they looked upon it as unsportsmanlike to go hunting American laurels, when their conquerors were not on hand to defend. The only representative American who participated was Hobart and at no time during at home. It is otherwise with the Kansas his two weeks' play did he show his true form. He nevertheless did better in the championship than any previous American who played abroad, reaching the semi-finals in the singles and winning in the all-comers doubles. J. Parmly Paret, an American who took part in the tournaments, believes the English are a bit better in tennis than Americans. He says: "Class for class English tournament players are a shade better than ours, but I think Wrenn or Larned could beat the best of them on this side of the water. The English climate, however, is enough handicap for our men abroad to make it very doubtful if any of them will ever be able to win at Wimbledon. If an international match could be arranged under neutral conditions, I should think the odds would slightly favor a British victory.'

The fiftleth birthday of "W. G." Grace, the veteran cricketer of England, was recently celebrated with a jubilee cricket match, in which Grace himself participated and made quite a showing. The grand old man of the game has become ponderously big and his heavy black beard shows streaks of gray.

# WITH HORSES AND HURSEMEN

Spoils the Columbus Meeting and Leaves Cleveland Still the Grand Circuit Sensation.

Columbus had an unfortunately bad week for its grand circuit light harness meeting. Rain spoiled the opening day and interfered luring the week and when it ceased the track was too heavy for good going. The consequence was that only mediocre time in contrast with Cleveland and Detroit was made. This is a decided misfortune, for the Columbus track is fast and horsemen looked for additional record breaking. In view of this condition at Columbus, horsemen are still talking of the brilliant week at Cleveland. In that meeting sixty-one heats were contested in fifteen classes carried off, thirty-three trotted and twenty-eight paced. The trotters averaged 2:12 26-100 per heat and the pacers 2:09 1-3. Two heats were paced in 2:04%, one each by Searchlight and Anaconda; Lena N., Frank Bogash and Searchlight went one heat each in 2:05%; Anaconda was credited with a heat in 2:05\(\frac{1}{2}\), and Searchlinght another in 2:05\(\frac{1}{2}\). Searchlight started twice during the meeting, winning both times. The times for both races were: 2:04%, 2:09%, 2:09%, 2:0514 and 2:06%, an average of 2:06 63-100 Anaconda's three heats averaged 2:061/2; Frank Bogash won two heats in 2:0514. 2:09, an average of 2:07%. Seventeen heats were paced in 2:10 or better, and the slowest time made was 2:15.

In addition to this showing a nice bunch of world's records were smashed. Lena N. made a new record for pacing mares of 2:0414, lowering the record made by Bessie Bonehill and Lotte Loraine last year a half second; Searchlight lowered the mark deux buts" after he had left the ball of 4-year-olds in a race to 2:04%, and coming close to the questionable championship started something on the spot. Five men mark of 2:04, held by Online; The Abbott cut the world's record for 5-year-old gelding trotters to 2:0816 and Grace Hastings made

new world's wagon reord of 2:09%. Grace Hastings' mile to wagon in 2:091/2 isposes of the controversy among horsewhich has been heretofore variously credited o Elloree and The Abbott. Incidentally, Hug modern pneumatic in this heat as he has ever trotted to sulky. In the past close observers estimate that

ordinarily seen. It so happened that the 2:1614 to this hitch, while his best record waning of Dixon. Smith has been the gen-

The bay mare, Mattle Patterson, which entered the 2:10 list in winning the 2:16 race for trotters at Cleveland, is a South Dakota product. She was bred at Warnecke, S. D., by Frank Goddard and is now owned by Robert B. Mathleson of Pierre, S. D. Mattie came out green last year, trotting a number of races in the lowa ircuit, and gaining a record of 2:1616. She The international event of the week in lowered this mark to 2:14% in his first race sporting circles was the challenge of Sir this year, cutting it down to 2:0914 at Thomas Lipton for the America's cup. Cleveland. She has yet to meet her first There are no conditions of any character at- defeat this year. Mattle Patterson is one tached to this defi from the Irish nobleman. of the most unfashionably bred trotters that "I have seen American yacht racing," he ever beat 2:10, but she has not yet shown declared to members of his club, "and I am | the white feather in any of her races. Her satisfied it is as fair and honorable as any sire, Vilander, is a son of Black's Hamble-2:30 list. Her dam was by a horse called Blue Buck, whose breeding is unknown. The boat is to be built elsewhere than on the | This short-bred trotter promises to be one | New York on August 26. of the big winners of the year if she re-Shamrock. The challenge is to be issued by tains her present form. She is entered in an Irish yachting club, the Royal Ulster. the \$10,000 Charter Oak purse at Hartford, in the Walnut Hall cup race at Lexington, Directum Kelly, 2:11%, for the first time and the two will later come together at Hartford as well as in other important events. The one that can beat the other is fixed. not unlikely to head the list of winners for the year. The worth of the Patterson colt has been testified by H. M. Hanna, brother not inclining toward the race, since Lord of Senator Mark Hanna, who paid some-Dunraven belongs to most of them. This thing like \$8,000 for the mare a week or so

> The number of rare horses that have lied during the last few weeks has been productive of a considerable amount of discussion. A list made up of Milan Chimes, Robert I., Joe Cantra and a considerable number of others not so well known, finished off with the death of Rosebud at Brighton beach the other day after the finishing of a race, is a portion of the record, Horsemen are wondering if the owners are asking too much of their annuals, if drivers and riders are taking too many desperate chances, if the climate is changing so that racing is becoming more dangerous, if our horses are deteriorating or rather not physically improving in proportion to the increase in speed that has been effected. A good many causes for the casualties are assigned, but they are so many that the right one seems not to have been discovered and horsemen are more puzzled than ever.

The fact that the owners of John R. Gentry and Joe Patchen do not see enough in sight on the grand circuit to bring their norses out may result in a meeting between the speeders. E. R. Bowne, who has leased in Chicago trying to arrange a race, two out of three heats, for a side bet of \$2,000. The race would be a great one and of decided interest. Regarding Gentry Bowne said: at present and I think that he is speedier than ever. He has not been worked faster than a mile in 2:07 and in event of our making the match I should want at least wo weeks to put him on edge. Barring acidents, I expect the bay horse to go in wo minutes or less before the close of the And I want to say that if Joe season. Patchen had had the same sort of a day as Star Pointer he would have been the first wo-minute horse.

Up to date the East View farm stable circuit, although Thomas Keating's string of Californians are a close second.

pickers who had placed bets on the lost chance. One man presented a ticket to the bookies that called for \$1,500 for \$10. another one of \$1,000 for \$5, and several smaller amounts were won in this proportion. As a windup for the day a 40 to 1 shot also won with ease.

#### PALAVER OF THE PUGILISTS Fitz is Trying to Draw the Eyes of the Public Again to Himself

as the Leader.

Bobby Fitzsimmons is considerably worried over the attention several of his rivals are receiving in the sporting world. This is the reason for his injecting himself into the more or less active campaign of the heavies that seems to be impending. He did this by means of a challenge to Jeffries. which was incorporated in a rather lengthy epistle to the public. After repeating the oft-spoken boast of having beaten every aspirant in the heavy and middleweight lasses, he offered the following proposition: Now, so as to avoid any unnecessary arguwe will grant that there are five men in the field at the present time who are entitled to be classed as aspirants for my proud position, and we will also grant that the men referred to are Jeffries, McCov.

Sharkey, Corbett and Maher. My proposition to them is as follows: "Go and fight it out between yourselves boys, and when it is positively' decided which is the best man among you let that man, whoever he may be, come to us with a straightforward challenge and the usual backing and he can rest assured of getting a match with me and a fair chance of winning the championship; and it won't take

over thirty minutes to arrange the details, at that." as saying that I will fight the man who proves himself to be the best man out of the five aspirants previously named, excepting dcCoy, who is now matched for a fight (?).

Jeffries is the only man that I have not defeated who is at liberty, and for his beneis agreeable and that the details can be arranged so that the fight will take place before October 1, I will accommodate him, and as evidence of our good faith in these matters and positive proof of our sincerity Julian has this day deposited the sum of \$2,500, which is a sufficient guarantee that I mean every word contained in this statement. Yours sincerely,

ROBERT FITZSIMMONS, Champion Middle and Heavyweight of the

Critics were unanimous last Monday night hat Tommy White of Chicago bested "Solly" Smith in the twenty-five round contest in New York, despite the fact that a draw deision was rendered by the referce. The friends of the Chicago lad are considerably encouraged at this showing by White for it is but a short time ago that "Solly" Smith dded another referee's decision over George Dixon to his record. It is but natural that the Chicagoan should be looking now for a concerning the championship record, go with Jordan, the young English buck who won a decision over the colored wonder a short time since. White is still a young ilso, the performance adds to the evidence chap, only 25 years of age, and seems to great many trotters can have a future before him. He must have wagon made a great improvement since his apalmost as fast as they can pull a sulky. pearance in this city. It was in the winter Grace Hastings' best record to sulky is 2:08, of 1891, it must have been December, that but a second and a half faster than to be had that long contest with Danny Daly Elloree, who lowered the wagon here. For ninety-one rounds the two fidrecord to 2:10 in a race, has a mark to sulky | dled about the ring-one of the longest bouts only three-quarters of a second faster. New- on record-and the scrap was ultimately decastle, who finished a close second to Ello- clared a draw. A little more than a year ree, in 2:10, trotted about as fast to wagon afterward "Soily" Smith knocked out Daly in San Francisco in three rounds. Once before was White seen in a contest in Omaha.

Hopeful, the greatest of the old-time trot- round contest in New York, last fall it was, nothing more than natural, therefore, that road for shooting out of season. White's friends should consider the Chicagoan of championship timber.

Jem Curran, who claims to be the best nan of his pounds in England and came ver to the land of Dewey and Schley with the purpose of meeting Kid Lavigne, Jack Daly and a half-dozen other men in the same class, put up the appearance of a stay. Some of the party engaged in a bit week ago. He went up against a Philadelphia local man, who had all sorts of fun with the Beefenter. In view of this little fact Curran has two or three thinks coming gentleman could wish. The cup is to be tonian and Lucy Harrison, by Harrison apparently before he decides to inject himwon, not by contortions, but by the best Chief. She is his only representative in the self into the arena as an international championship possibility. Nevertheless he is slated to box Jack Daly twenty rounds in

> The usual columns are being written of the training preparations of Corbett and McCoy for their coming September rebicycle spins and wearing out half a dozen boxers at a stretch, while Kid McCoy is sawing wood, swimming and fishing. As yet the exact date of the conflict has not been

Ground has been broken in Buffalo for the lub house in which Corbett and McCoy will meet in September in a twenty-round contest. The plans call for a square strucure 220 feet each way, with the outer walls wenty-four feet high. The only roof on the building will be over the quarters occupied by the contestants. The picture-taking mahine is to be located in such a position that it will not interfere with the view of the spectators. It is said that the promoters of the contest will not postpone it on account of any cloudy weather, preferring rather to disappoint the picture-taking people than the sports who gather.

Tom Sharkey has been in the east for several weeks now, but no one has as yet scemed inclined to want his game except poor old Joe Goddard. The barrier champion s slated to meet the bruising saller in New York next Friday in a twenty-five-round bout. Corbett won't take him on unless he gets a decision over Jeffries; Fitzsimmons won't meet him unless he returns the \$10,000 the lanky Cornishman alleges he was robbed of on the coast; Kid McCov declares he is busy. There you are. In the meantime Fom has the pleasure of walking up and down Broadway with a chip on each shoulder with no one to knock it off. In order to get to work it is said that he has induced Gentry from Tewkesbury for the season, is Craig, the clever Irish heavy, to cross the pond to meet him. Whatever one may say of Sharkey's foul tactics, no one can accuse him of shirking. He is ready to take on anyone and in this respect approaches Gentry was never in better condition than nearer to the old pugilistic idol, John L. Sullivan, than any pug who has gained any prominence in the ring since the Boston

#### FOR LOVERS OF GUN AND ROD Dupont Club Will Hold Its Tournament on the Omnha Club's Ground Next Month.

During the last week it has been decided o hold the fall tournament of the Dupont heads the list of winners in the Grand Gun club on the grounds of the Omaha Gun club across the river. Billy Hardin extended an invitation to the Dupont club to consequence of a couple of the results in of access than the Dupont grounds upon Vednesday's racing. The particular sensa- East Omaha that the premoters expect a Sir Hobart. This is pretty nearly a record. have had on the latter. Hardin also offers Sir Hobart never won a thing in his life the use of all the conveniences on the before, and yet he won from good ones in a grounds, and this saves the Duponts an exbig gallop. There were about half a dozen pense they would have to incur in fitting

up their own grounds. It has been determined to split up the purse in each of the events in the tournament into five monies, and add a sixth prize in each, consisting of merchandize. This will bring the total of added money in the shape of coin and merchandise up to about \$1,000, as prizes of \$5 will be given each day for each of the ten highest and the ten lowest averages. The tournament will be held on September 21, 22 and 23.

For various and divers reasons the Indian tournament that was to have been given in the fall on the grounds of the Omaha Oun club has been declared off.

The usual events will be on the program of the shoot of the Dupont Gun club this afternoon. Some live birds may be shot at in addition.

A considerable number of the Dupont membership visited the Omaha Gun club shoot yesterday to get acquainted with the traps before the fall tournament.

Single-trigger double guns are now getting so common as to excite little more than ordinary interest when used at the traps. Messrs. Boss & Co. of London, England, have however, brought out a novelty in the shape of a three-barrelled gun worked by a single sportsmen's journal on the other side of the Atlantic, in speaking of this weapon, praises | East and West: it quite highly, and may be quoted as saying that the gun and its single trigger action were perfect in every respect. The gun exhibited to, and used by the shooting editor of that paper, was a 16-gauge gun, weighing seven pounds, and so nicely balanced that it handled like an ordinary gun. The three barrels are set on one plane, the center barrel taking the place, as it were, of the rib in a double gun. With this gun in actual practice the editor shot several times at inanimate targets, three targets being sprung fit I will say once more that, providing he at once. On each occasion the three barrels were fired without difficulty, and on two occasions all three targets were pulverized, thus showing that the gun and its mechanism were all right, and that all that was needed behind it was a good shot. The three barrels were so well aligned that at forty yards each was dead centered on the same spot. While a three-barreled gun may not become popular-for it is by no means a novelty-yet the application of a singletrigger action to such a weapon shows that the single-trigger itself is about perfected.

> It is legal to shoot prairie chicken after the first of next September and any number of the hunters hereabouts are getting

waning of Dixon. Smith has been the gen-erally accepted featherweight champion of hunters along the Elkhorn have been this country—since he outpointed the colored ters to wagon, however, gained a record of and this was declared a draw. Since the played by game protective associations this country-since he outpointed the colored especially vigorous and have convicted wonder in San Francisco last October. It is several pot hunters along the line of that

> On last Friday Dr. Conner returned to the city from his trip to the Big Horn region in Wyoming, Judge Saunders of Council Bluffs and one or two others are still in the great game preserve and expect to stay a week or two longer. Dr. Conner says that the entire party found some excellent trout fishing throughout their entire selling plater in his first go in America a of hunting, but did not make any remark-

> > N. C. Tallafero and wife are arranging to go to the Big Horn region for a couple

# CHESS.

The following problem was submitted by a prominent Omaha chess player and problem omposer as his favorite, with the expressed doubt as to whether any player in this vicinity would be able to master its halfozen or more variations. All the variations, he said, are surprisingly clever and find what a "fair batted ball" is you have instructive and worthy of the careful at- to go back to the preceding rule, which tention of all interested in the game. Problem No. 34, White to play and mate three moves:



The following is the score of an interestng game recently completed in the Nebraska chess tournament between C. Q. De-France of Lincoln and Dr. G. N. Seeley of



At this point White announces mate in ourteen moves.
C. D.: One may not castle with either king or rook acress a line of attack or when either is attacked.

#### WHIST.

The American Whist Player, a magazine recently launched, contains a well edited beginners' department, a field hitherto only Bookies in Chicago nearly fainted as a The grounds are so much more convenient to the Dupont grounds are follows: "In the meantime ers concludes as follows: "In the meantime to the Dupont grounds are so much more convenient to the Dupont grounds are so much more convenient." players should subordinate the routine of tion was the winning of a 200 to 1 shot by much larger attendance than they would tion of the memory to the extent necessary to thoroughly acquaint themselves with the table of leads and other important points upon which great stress has been laid. This may be done without overlooking the adantage to be derived by early acquirement of correct methods which eventually will be found to be highly desirable, such as: (1.) Care in counting the hand and counting it. 2.) If the dealer, endeavoring to remember that the trump card should be placed at the right hand. (3.) If the leader, be prepared to play when the proper time comes. (4.) Remember the trump card. (5.) Remember who wins the trick. (6.) Play slowly, but without hesitation. (7.) Place each card nujetly upon the table. (8.) Above all watch the fall of the cards.

> There was not a large attendance at the Omaha Whist club on Wednesday night, but an interesting series was played, North and South winning by an average margin of fourteen points. The score was as follows: NORTH AND SOUTH.

Bushman and Strauss..... Redick and Peters .....

In the following problem by Frankstein of London hearts are trumps, South to lead trigger. The London Field, the leading with knowledge of the cards and with North to win all seven tricks against best play of



Questions and Answers. WOOD RIVER, Neb., Aug. 6.— to the Sporting Editor of Tae Bee: Would like to know in regard to the Cor-bett and Jackson fight, whether it was called no fight or a draw. J. C. W. calls it no fight, while B. C. calls it a draw.—John Wilkinson

Ans.-It was declared a draw. SOUTH OMAHA, Aug. 3.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bee; Does the whale belong to the order of sea animals called fish? Are there any salt water rivers in United States or in any other country and where?—Contributor. Ans.-1. The whale is not a fish, it belongs to the highest class of the animal kingdom, the mammals, to which man also belongs, according to scientists. 2. There are no salt water rivers. There are streams of salt water-for example, some in the Greek island of Cephalonia which have sufficient

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# ready to go out after a bag of the birds. strength to turn water wheels, but they ar Goodyear Shoes

and children wear them. All kinds are made. The following merchants are some who sell Goodyear Welt Shoes:

In the past close observers estimate that two seconds is a liberal allowance for the difference in speed between the hitch to sulky and to wagon. Before the pneumatic true came into use Allerton held the cham- knockout blow. White and Smith have

a foul or fair hit: The umpire stands at home plate when the batsman bats a line drive inside of third base and inside of the foul flag, which is on the fence. The ball goes over the fence inside of said flag, but is caught by the wind and blown sideways until when last seen it is outside of the flag line. I interpret the rule for four or fair hit as meaning that the hit's value or fair hit as meaning that the hit's value is determined when it reaches and passes over the fence or ground limit, for as I see it the ball is out of play when it goes over the board of the fence, as per rules for home run or two-base hit. You will find the word disappear in the foul or fair hit rule, but does it mean from view or from and out of the granud. In a word, it the rule, but does it mean from view or from and out of the ground. In a word, is the value of a fair or foul hit that is batted over the fence determined at the fence or where it stops?—G. A. Erown.

Ans.—The rule is very plain. It declares that a batted ball is "fair should it disa batted ball is fair should it disappear outside the range of the foul lines." It it were meant that the question of the fairness of a batted ball were to be settled at the point it passes the fence the rul would declare so, but, on the contrary. stattes that the deciding point exists a the moment the ball disappears. Of cours the following rule declares "a fair batte ball that goes over the fence shall entiti the batsman to a home run." brings you back to the original proposition If it were otherwise, the rule would read that "a batted ball which goes over the fence fairly or inside the foul line, etc. Therefore, the hit in the above is a foul-its value being determined at the point where it "disappears."

OMAHA, July 3.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: In writing of different boxers, you frequently say "not as scientificas Corbett or McCoy," or "not as hard a hitter" as "Sullivan or Maher." Please inform me where "Fitz" comes in?-D. Ans.-Fitz don't come in. Boxing critic are unanimous in declaring that he is no where as elever as either Corbett or McCoy nor as hard a hitter as Sullivan or ever Maher. His specialty, which has boosted him along the pugllistic ladder, has been his gluttonish ability to take any sort of punshment until he gets a chance with hi There is no question that Corbe cutpointed him at Carson. It is the general belief that he could never have wo from Sullivan, as he was not elever enough to dodge the Boston boy's blows and would not have dared allowed them to land whill he tried to get in his work.

OMAHA, Aug. 4 .- To the Sporting Edito of The Bee: In the last game of the De troit-Kansas City series at Kansas City which Kansas City won, you credited then in the standing with one lost instead of won, and as this will lose me a bet, I a mixous to see it rectified .- Constant

Reader. Ans.—The change was made because game played between Detroit and Kansas City on June 10, which was given by the impire to the Blues because Detroit r used to finish it, has been decided to have been won by Detroit. When the sco was 7 to 5, Detroit left the field to catch train, claiming that the game was to have been called at a certain time, in order enable them to get the train. The umpir Pitcher Sullivan of Kansas City, wen back on this agreement and gave the gam to Kansas City, 9-0. The game has been tabled in the Blues' favor until a decision gave it to Detroit.

Singular, Indeed. Cleveland Leader: "We have been here three days now, haven't we?" said Mr. Hopewell to his wife, as they sat upon th ummer hotel veranda and fanned them "Yes," she replied, smashing a mosquito pon the back of her left hand, "just three

"I cannot understand it." Mr. Hopewel chief between his collar and his chin and wung one leg over the arm of the rocking chair.

"Can't understand what?" his wife asked.
"The landlord hasn't assured me upon his nor as a gentleman that this is the hottest it has ever been here."

Formalities. Cleveland Plain Dealer: "What has beome of the pugilist who talked so loudly bout wanting to fight Spain." "Oh, he's quiet now," replied the sporting

'But wasn't that a rather audacious piece business? "No. He was safe enough. He knew spain couldn't get the money to post a foreit even if it accepted the challenge."

Had All the Best of It. "Yes, sir," said the Chicago Post: aliant youth, in describing the affair, "I vrote him just the hottest kind of a let

"And what did he reply?" "He didn't reply at all." "Didn't reply?" "No. You see, I was careful not to give him my address."

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Detroit Journal: Hugo and Rudolph have been very bad, and mamma tells papa about it at evening, and now papa is heard ap-

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"I'm going to pretend to be asleep," says

Hugo. "Same here," says Rudolph. Rudolph, observe, does not say he guesses he'll get up and put something on. Doubtloss he is a lad who does not care to follow servilely in the footsteps of his forefathers.

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