

**PITIABLE CONDITION OF ARNOLD HAUSER**



Arnold Hauser, Former Cardinal Star.

Arnold Hauser, the crack Cardinal shortstop, is confined in a private sanitarium at Chicago, and not much hope is held out for his recovery. He has been afflicted with religious mania, and breaks out violently every day or so. When rational he is apparently as well as he ever was, but his physician stated to Manager Huggins that he is much discouraged about his case. Hauser's bad knee, which laid him up for a time, has entirely recovered, and he is perfectly sound physically, but little hope is extended of his getting out of the sanitarium this season, if at all. It is one of the saddest cases in baseball. Hauser's trouble dates from the time when he lost his mother and his baby.

**BENDER WANTS TO BE ALONE**

Great Indian Pitcher of Athletics Has No Use for Physician During Spells of Illness.

In times of illness, Chief Bender, the great Indian pitcher of the Athletics, forgets the veneer of civilization and goes back to the Indian ways.

Bender spurns the services of a physician when he is sick, takes no med-



Chief Bender.

icine, but simply hies himself away and doesn't come back until he is well again.

A short time after Bender joined the Athletics he was taken ill. Connie Mack wanted to have a physician attend the twirler, but Bender shook his head.

"I'm sick, but I don't need medicine," he said.

Connie left Bender's room for a little while, and when he returned he was surprised to find that the chief had slipped out. Inquiries failed to locate him, and when Bender didn't show up that night or the next day, Connie became worried.

For two nights and two days the search was made for Bender, but to no avail. He couldn't be found. By this time Connie was almost frantic. Just when he was about to send out a general alarm for his missing Indian star he decided to take another look into Bender's room, and there he found him huddled up in bed.

"Where have you been?" demanded Mack.

"Sick," answered Bender.

"But you haven't been in your room at the hotel," said Mack. "Were you at a hospital?"

"No, I went away where it was quiet and where I could be alone," replied Bender. "When an Indian is sick he doesn't want any noise around, and he doesn't want medicine or doctors. He just wants to let nature take its course in curing him."

**Johnson Praises Yankees.**

Walter Johnson says he never saw such an improvement in a club as Frank Chance has shown in the New Yorks in the short year that he has been at the helm. "It was the worst ball team I ever saw a year ago," said Johnson. "Now anyone that beats it will know that he was in a battle."

**Wilson's Winter Job.**

George Wilson, recruit first sacker of the Red Sox, teaches mathematics in a leading high school in the winter.

**WAS A BASEBALL FAN**

PRESIDENT LINCOLN "ROOTED" AT GAME IN 1862.

Watched Soldiers Play During Civil War and Complimented Them—Army Men Responsible for Popularity of Game.

"The recent appearance of King George of England at a baseball game, in a glass-fronted, steam-heated private stand, reminds me of the time, in 1862, when I saw President Lincoln at a baseball game in Washington," said Winfield Scott Lerner, former journalist, now of the St. Louis office United States customs service, on the return of the Giants-White Sox world tourists recently.

"It was at Sixth and K streets. The quartermaster's department was playing the commissary department. The Civil war, you know, introduced baseball to people from all parts of the United States and spread its popularity north, south and west. Previous to the war baseball was restricted to the East.

"This lot was an old circus grounds. The game was progressing merrily. There were no stands. Ropes kept the crowd back.

"The well-known black carriage drawn by two black horses came along. I saw the president get out of the conveyance and, taking his little son, Tad, by the hand, walk over to see the game. This was before the days when cavalry escorts accompanied Mr. Lincoln wherever he went.

"There was no inclosed stand, not even a seat. Unobtrusively and unseen by the crowd, Mr. Lincoln sat down in the sawdust left by the circus back of first base, crossed his feet, and sat his little son up on them, between his knees.

"He arrived when the game was young and stayed to the finish. It was the custom then for the teams to give three cheers for each other after the game was finished. The custom was observed on this occasion.

"Lincoln took off his hat and joined in the cheering. Then some one saw him and called for 'Three cheers for Old Abe.' Needless to say, they were very heartily given.

"The president thanked the crowd, saying, 'Boys, it was a very good game, and I enjoyed it very much.' He took little Tad by the hand and walked back to his carriage.

"I have heard that Mr. Lincoln played a good first base. I do not think he ever played baseball. It was unknown in Illinois when he was a young man. Indeed, as I have said, the war spread baseball. The soldiers from New England and New York brought it to the camps and taught it to the soldiers from other states. These soldiers took it back to their homes after the war, and then baseball became the national game.

"But President Lincoln did like baseball."

**BIG FACTOR IN CUB GAMES**

Wee Outfielder is Playing Sensational Game and Batting Hard for Chicago Nationals.

It must make Fred Clarke's heart sore when he picks up the papers each day and reads of the deeds of Tommy Leach. Leach is one of the main cogs in the Cub machine and the sensational batting and all-around work of the midget is causing no end of talk among the fans.

Besides being the leading batter on the Cub team Leach's ability to play

center field is helping the Cubs win many games and without his services the Cubs would be a sorry team. All of this is brought to the attention because of the fact that Fred Clarke, the shrewd Pittsburgh leader, thought Tommy was all in and passed the veteran player on to the Cubs at a good price last year. It is a safe bet that Clarke is sorry he ever made this deal.

Leach is playing a wonderful game for the Cubs. The fans in the stands, the real critics, are showing their esteem for this player daily. Leach is one of the few Cub idols who is given a hand on nearly all his appearances at the plate.

**Every Day Ladies' Day.**

Manager Jackson of Wilmington is trying hard to have the league set aside every day in the week except Saturday as ladies' day. He also wants to have a free day for the Wilmington "kidds." At present only one free day for women is allowed. As several clubs favor the plan, it is likely that the league will make the change.

**Shortstops Go Astray.**

Five of the big league teams this year lost their shortstops. Tinker and Bridwell joined the Reds. Arnold Hauser is afflicted mentally and may never play with the Cardinals again. Ray Chapman has a broken ankle and Heinie Wagner is a rheumatism victim.

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**SCIENCE AND INVENTION**



**REMAKING OF NEW ZEALAND**

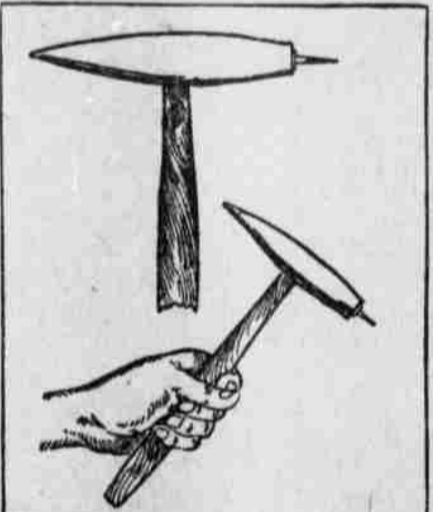
Native Polynesian Race is Disappearing Before European—Forests to Be Replaced.

More rapid changes in animal and vegetable life, says Science, are taking place in New Zealand than almost anywhere else in the world. The native Polynesian race is disappearing before the European; the native wild animals amount to little in contrast with imported species, many of which now run wild; the streams are full of American and European trout, which attain an enormous size; and even the forests are to be replaced by planting foreign trees as the native ones disappear. Eleven million larches, oaks, spruces, Douglas firs and eucalypts have already been planted, and vast numbers of seedlings are coming in all the time. The reason for replacing the native trees with species from the United States, Europe and Australia is that those of New Zealand are too slow of growth, although some of them produce excellent timber. The plantations thrive everywhere.

**SPARES A WOMAN'S FINGERS**

Magnetic Hammer Facilitates Task of Driving Tack—All Danger of Injury Eliminated.

Woman with a hammer has been the subject of the joker's wit from time immemorial, but the opportunities for humorous observations on this combination will be decreased by the introduction of a magnetic hammer which holds the tack in such a manner that it is needless for her to mash her fingers. The head of the hammer is mag-



Magnetic Hammer Holds Tack.

netized permanently so that the head of the tack or small nail will be held there with sufficient force so that it may be driven pretty well home without endangering the pretty fingers which are usually brutally maltreated in the effort to drive a few tacks.

**PILLOW A LIFE PRESERVER**

Keeps Person's Head Well Above Water and Leaves Limbs Free—Designed by Marylander.

Since the sinking of the Titanic the patent office has been deluged with applications on life preservers. One of the latest of these is that shown herewith and designed by a Maryland man. An elongated pillow, filled with buoyant, non-absorbent material, has a narrow transverse slot through which the head is passed. There are also devices by which the adjacent



New Life Preserver.

portions of the bag may be fastened around the chest, and the ends extend back and front for additional support. The advantage of this preserver is that only the head is above water, and as the average person weighs only 2 1/2 pounds in the water, the body below the pillow has very little effect on its buoyancy. The arms and legs are left perfectly free.

**Novel Clock Dial.**

A novel dial has been patented which may be attached to any clock, transforming it, when the minute hand has been removed, into a one hand time piece, which the inventor claims is more easily read.

**Photographic Clock.**

A photographic clock has been perfected by Max Marcus, a German, after many years of labor. It not only keeps time to the second, but tells the time in a clear barytone voice.

**Bath Tub for Babies.**

A bath tub for babies that a Washington man has invented is mounted on a wheeled stand which also carries drawers to contain toilet articles, towel and clothes racks and an extension leaf at one end.

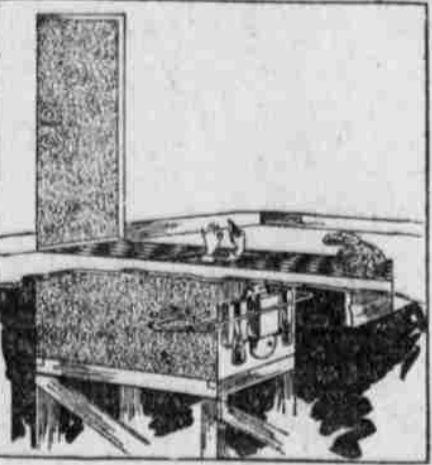
**Flexible Screen.**

A flexible wire window screen that a Wisconsin man has invented is attached to the lower sash in such a manner that it unrolls and fills the window to whatever extent the sash is raised.

**UNIQUE TRAP FOR BURGLARS**

Intruder is Dropped Into Pit, Alighting on Pneumatic Shock Absorbers to Avoid Injury.

A burglar trap, consisting of a false floor constructed in front of the office safe, a counter in a jewelry store or similar places, has been invented by an Englishman, says Popular Mechanics. The floor covers a pit and is supported by projecting pins, so adjusted each night that the weight of a person upon the floor will cause it to fall, dropping the intruder into the pit, where he alights upon springs or pneumatic shock absorbers, provided so that he may not be injured. The



Novel Floor Trap.

dropping of the floor operates a lever which causes a sliding door to close over the mouth of the pit.

**FIND MAGNETIC SUN FIELDS**

Interpretation Suggested by Prof. George E. Hale of Meaning of Double Lines Confirmed.

Professor Zeeman confirms the interpretation suggested by Prof. George E. Hale of the meaning of the doubled lines seen in the photographs made at the Mount Wilson observatory of the spectra of sun spots, namely, that sun spots are strong magnetic fields, the direction of which is mainly perpendicular to the sun's surface, says Youth's Companion. The behavior of a spectral line emitted by iron vapor between the poles of an electromagnet, says Professor Zeeman, cannot be distinguished from the radiation of iron vapor immersed in the interior of the solar vortices photographed by Professor Hale, although the latter are situated nearly ninety-three million miles away. If this interpretation is confirmed, Professor Zeeman adds, it will afford a vera causa for the perturbations of the electric and magnetic equilibrium of our earth and its atmosphere.

**NOTE DISTANT EARTHQUAKES**

Observations Made at Isle of Wight and in Austria Confirmed Next Day by Telegraph.

An interesting example of the way in which modern seismographs record earthquakes occurring at a distance of many thousands of miles is afforded by a recent occurrence. Professor Milne at the Isle of Wight, Eng., noticed shocks whose point of origin was about eighty degrees distant, corresponding to the distance of Japan, San Francisco and Mexico. He thought it probable that the true point was in the east. At the same time Professor Belar, at Laibach, Austria, noticed the shocks, and declared that the center of the disturbance must be about three thousand seven hundred and fifty miles to the east. The next day the telegraph brought the news of a great earthquake, which had occurred at the time of the observations in Baluchistan, Asia, the town of Belput having suffered severely.

**NOTES OF SCIENCE AND INVENTION**

Ottawa (Ont.) observatory is to have a 73-inch telescope.

One of the principal by-products of the national forests of Japan is mushrooms.

Automatic rewinding reels for motion picture films have been invented by an Ohioan.

Fish guano as a supplemental food for cattle, hogs and poultry is coming into general use in Germany.

The thumb print as a means of identification is used in a new English time recording machine for workmen.

A gyroscope for stabilizing an aeroplane has been designed so it also can be used for changing the direction of the machine should the motor stop in midair.

With apparatus of his own invention an Indiana university scientist has successfully photographed sound waves.

A recently patented wood-screw carries a sharp blade under the head to ram out a place to receive the head.

Shirts for outdoor sleepers have been patented with clasps on the shoulders to hold blankets in the proper position.

So general is the neglect of dentistry in Germany that a nation-wide committee has been formed to supervise the care of the teeth of school children.

For measuring the speed of machinery and shafting accurately a speed counter and stop watch have been connected electrically in a single device.

Transplanting the cornea of a pig's eye to the diseased eye of a baby Baltimore surgeon recently restored the child's sight.

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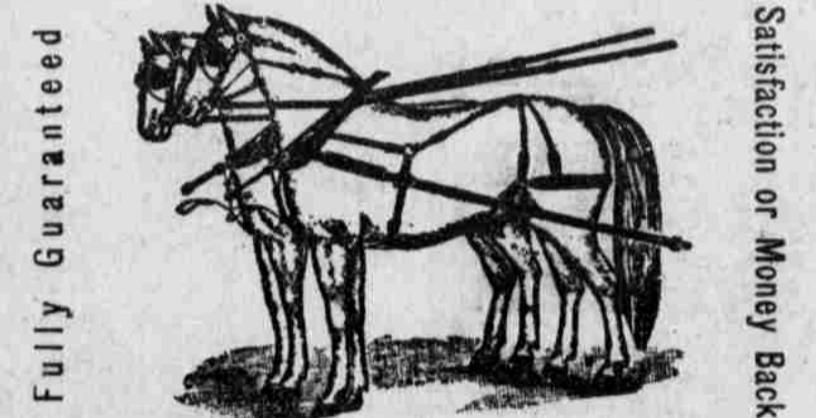
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