SNAPSHOTS AT CELEBRITIES

Congressman William B. Mc-Kinley of Illinois.



A-very busy man is Congressman William Brown McKinley, chairman of the Republican congressional campaign committee. On Mr. McKinley's shoulders largely rests the responsibility of electing a sufficient number of Republicans to insure a majority in the Sixty-second congress. Of course the candidates must put their shoul ders to the wheel, but Mr. McKinley is general director and adviser of the various campaigns, especially in districts looked upon as doubtful. Confident in his party's success at the polls, the hustling chairman at the same time is taking no chances and until November will be steadily on the

Congressman McKinley represents the Nineteenth Illinois district and is serving his third term. He is said to be one of the most popular members of the house. He was formerly treasurer of the campaign committee, succeeding to the office of chairman when James S. Sherman resigned to become vice president of the United States. Mr. McKinley is a native of Illinois. a banker by profession and is fiftyfour years old. He made a fortune in the development of street railway lines.

Tolstoy's Boyhood.

Tolstoy's sister Marie relates that one day at the hour of luncheon he succeeded in eluding the vigilance of his tutor in order to carry into execution a project he had long had in view. This was to jump out of the window into the courtyard, a distance of fifteen feet below. The boy did it and providentially did not break any bones, but the shock was so great that he slept afterward for eighteen hours. Nothing caused Tolstoy the boy more annoyance about this time than the knowledge that he was very plain featured. To be revenged on nature he determined to make himself still uglier and with this end in view cut off his eyebrows-Strand.

Mr. Lloyd of Missouri. Full of confidence these days is Congressman James Tirhiman Lloyd of

Missouri, manager of the Democratic congressional campaign. Optimism fairly radiates from the director of the Demo ratic canvass, and in his view the battle is all over but the shouting. Fully believing that this is a Democratic year, Mr. Lloyd is forcing the fight in every district where his opponents seem to show weakness. The task of conducting a congressional campaign is vastly more complicated than that of running a presidential canvass, because instead of one fight



JAMES T. LLOYD.

there are scores of contests to be looked after. For the present Mr. Lloyd has his work cut out for him.

Mr. Lloyd has had a long experience at Washington, his service in the national legislature dating from the Fifty-fifth congress, which he entered to fill an unexpired term. Since then he has been regularly returned by his constituents. He represents the First Missouri district. A native of Missouri, Mr. Lloyd is a lawyer by prefession and fifty three years old.

IN THE WORLD OF **SPORT**

Ed Geers, the Greatest of All Harness Drivers.



Photo by American Press Association.

Another harness racing season is about to pass by, and once more the honors are being showered on Ed

Geers, the grand old man of the sulky. The run ing turf has had its Garrisons, its daredevil Fitzpatricks, its Isaac Marphys and its Tod Sloanes scattered through all the years, but not one remained in harness as long

The grand old man of the sulky for thirty years has been a daring and successful driver on the grand circuit and is still, if not actually in harness, manipulating the reins with greater skill thru any of his younger rivals.

Geers' style of driving is peculiarly his own. No other man has ever been seen who exercised such control over his horses with so little apparent effort. He sits immovable in the sulky. no matter what the crisis, never raising his hands, spreading his arms, bracing himself by lying back in his seat or in any way showing the employment of any particular physical force. Only on rare occasions does he touch his horse with the whip, and then with mere taps, even in an eyelash finish.

Russia to Bar American Horses. Russia is considering the question of barring American bred horses. The question involves the breeding as well as the racing end of the game. Ever since the Russians took up light harness racing there have been two factions, one demanding that breeding and racing be restricted to only horses carrying Russian blood, while the other faction, included in which are some of the largest breeders, feel that the infusion of American blood will tend to improve the speed and stamina of the native Orloff trotter.

Pitchers the Things, Says Cooney. Phil Cooney declares that nothing but pitchers can win pennants in minor leagues. "Up to the big timber two or three extraordinary hitters can sometimes pull a team through, just as Cobb and Crawford have done for Detroit, but that is the big exception to the rule even up there. In the minor leagues the rule is pretty nearly inevitable that the team with the strongest pitching staff will win out. Build your team around your pitchers and if you have your share of baseball luck you'll win."

Hutchinson Likes Our Golf Courses. A visit of Horace Hutchinson, the veteran English golfer, to Boston, where he has been going the rounds of the links, has given much pleasure to the followers of the game in the Bay State, more particularly as he has been saying nice things about most of the golf courses he has visited. Than Hutchinson it would be difficult to find one more qualified to speak of golf and golfers or to give an unbiased opinion or criticism of a golf links.

Tommy Burns, the former heavyweight champion, may have to cancel his matches. During a lacrosse game in Vancouver, B. C., recently Burns strained a tendon in his right knee.

Burns May Give Up Fighting.

"My left knee has been bad for years as a result of an injury. Now the right kuee is gone. I will give it a trial, but if it does not come around I am through with pugilism. I have plenty of money and do not need to fight."

American Boxers to Tour Antipodes.

Ray Bronson, lightweight pugilist, has signed a contract with Tom Andrews to tour Australia this fall. Bronson also states that Billy Papke, "the Illinois Thunderbolt," and Jimmy Clabby will make the trip. Andrews is the matchmaker for Hugh McIntosh's club in Sydney and will arrange to send the pugilist to the antipodes the latter part of October,

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