possibly one or two postposed games.

doctor is an enthusiastic base ball patron, well posted in the lore of the game, and would make an active, industrious, competent serretary—one who would give universal satisfaction to all the clubs, and impartially work in the interests of the association in licu of those of environments.

Among the Amateur Bykers.

The run to Crescent will take place at 9:30 this morning. Rendezyous at 2540 Capital

The run to Irvington Last Sunday was postponed on account of the inclement

The Apollos have received their new caps. They are black and white and give the riders

The run to-day, it is thought, will be large-

Questions and Answers

Please answer the following in Sunday's Ber. What is the full number of games scheduled for each Western association team?

To decide an argument please answer the

following: When a pitcher throws a curved ball, does it commence to curve the moment it leaves the pitcher's hand or does it go straight for a distance and then begin to

In Sunday's issue will you please state who manages the trap shooting tourneys

here and who I can apply to for further in-formation.—Sportsman, Union Pacific Head-

Ans .- Gwin & Dunmire, corner Thirteenth

To decide a bet will you please inform me whether King, of the St. Louis Browns, is playing under an assumed name!—C. A. Shickly, Neb.

Ans .- He is. His name is Charles Koenig.

In last Sunday's Ber Inoticed an article on the "Drives Around Omaha," in which Kruse's mill, on the Papillion, is mentioned. Will you please furnish directions for get-ting at this point.—Ben Robidoux, City.

Kruse's mill is in McArdle precinct, seven

miles west. The drive is but Farnam street

to the city limits, north to Dodge, thence

west to the residence of James McArdle,

just below which is the mill. The spring

spoken of is back in the grove and rather

What is Leon Lozier's time for 50 and 100 yards !- Miner Bros., Red Cloud, Neb.

Will you please state in Sunday's BEE the

Ans.-Nichols has won 23, lost 5; Clarke,

won 20, lost 7, tied 2; Willis, won 7, lost 8;

Processer won 0, lost 1, Nichols and Clarke

both officiated in 2 games, losing 1 and win-

Was Kilrain knocked out in his recent

fight with Sullivan, and what was the stakes fought for, \$20,000 or \$40,000.—P. S., Lin-

Ans.-No, but he was whipped. \$20,000.

Please state in Sunday's BEE who lead the

pitchers in the Western association last year. What was the rank of Lovett, Dur-yea, Hutchinson and Swartzell?-Omaha

Lovett lead. Lovett, Hutchinson, Swart-

Please state in Sunday's Ber whether

Davenport played a twelve inning game with Omaha on the local grounds last season.—

How far is it from the home plate to Jeff

Bedford's "Hit me for \$50" sign on the local grounds! Who is the longest thrower in the Western association! Charles E. Fem,

Ans.-Three hundred and eighty feet.

Will you please give me the per cent of the

Western association teams of last year? R. H. Hamelt, Des Moines. Ans.—Des Moines .648, Kansas City .638,

St. Paul .602, Omaha .563, Milwaukee .492,

Sioux City .377, Chicago .357, St. Louis .357,

Minneapolis .333, Davenport .182. Omaha

Will you please state in Sunday's sporting columns what Jack Crooks' average as a hit-ter was last year and the number of hits he

Ans.-Average, .259; humber of hits, 115.

Who is the tallest man in the base ball profession! What is Anson's height, also Conners'! Lengthy, Lincoln, Neb.

Ars.-Schoeneck, 6 feet 4 inches; Anson

Can you tell me where George Wright was born! How old is Deacon Jim White! What

ever became of Craver, the black-listed catcher? Who is the champion catch-as-catch-can wrestler of the world? Who is

the best base runner in the National league

In what club did Anson begin his professional career! J. J. W. and Charlis O., city.

Ans .- In Sheffield, Eng. Forty-one years.

Joe Acton. Ward, Fogarty, Kelley, Sunday,

McKean, Stricker, Brown, Hoy, Delhanty,

Seery and Tiernan, are all about equal. An-

son began playing ball in 1871 with the Rock-

ford, Ill., club. He next joined the Athletics.

of Philadelphia, and remained with them

Will you please answer the following questions in Sunday's BEF! When the pitcher

tions in Sunday's DER! when the pitcher strikes a man out, does he get the credit of an assist, and the catcher a put out? Does a pitched ball, striking the ground before reaching the plate, then striking the batsman in the bound entitle the batter to his base!—L. B. S., Mission Valley, Ia.

Ans.-The pitcher gets his credit only in

the summary-the catcher a put out. It would depend upon the umpire whether he

Being greatly interested in base ball, and

particularly the Omaha tesm. I have a curtosity to know what the different players' salaries are. Will you please state in Sunday's Bez what they are!—W. F. Kepner, Oscoola, Neb.

Aus .- They range from \$175 up to \$275 per

No well regulated, household should

be without Angostura Bitters, the celebrated appetizer. Manufactured by Dr. J. G. B. Siegert & Sons. Ask your

SINGULARITIES.

In the stomach of a cow which died in Sussex county, New Jersey, were found a number of stones the size of large walnuts and a cast iron ped roller.

A horse over nineteen hands high, and weighing 2,300 pounds, was shipped from Meyerstown, Penn., recently. The pur-chaser will put the animal on exhibition.

Brownstown, ind., has a baby sixteen days' old that weighs only one pound. "An ordinary finger ring will pass over its hand, while a pint cup will cover its head, body and limbs." The parents are of average size and

A man with an artificial face has been at-

tracting much attention at an English water-ing place. He had an artificial check, eye and palate, fitted by a surgeon of Bristol. He eats without the slightest difficulty, and

A sea turtle ten feet long, five feet wide, and weighing 1,000 pounds was caught in a trap off South Harwich, Cape Cod. This monster is estimated to be fully 200 years old. As it stands the distance between its fore flippers is over ten feet.

until 1876, when he went to Chicago.

gave him his base or not.

druggist.

in good health.

speaks distinctly.

lively as a cricket.

and Conners are both 6 feet and 2 inches.

number of games won and lost this season by Nichols, Clark and Willis?—A. E. M.,

Ans.-It goes straight, then curves.

a very jaunty appearance.

avenue.

-C. Omaha.

Ans.-126.

curve!

quarters.

and Dodge streets.

difficult of access.

Omaha.

Crank.

Omaha.

Poorman.

zel, Duryen.

John Walter Barriger.

Ans .-- They did not.

won 67 games and lost 52.

Ans.-5% and 10%.

### THE LOCAL WORLD OF SPORTS

A Little Matter for the Minor Leagues to Ruminate Over.

ACTIVITY IN WHEEL CIRCLES.

Sport at the Coliseum-Breeders' Trotting Meet-Spea's Spicen-Western Association Base Ball Squibs-Our Knowledge Box-Notes.

### Sullivaniana.

Chicago News. bull down the shaft on Bunker hill. And build one in its place
With a harp upon its pinacle
And shamrocks round its base;
New raze the name of Warren from

The tablets on its wall and write instead "Our Boston's Pride, John Sullivan, has the call." On Bunker hill in 'seventy-five

A pretty fight they fought; But, oh, the deeds on Richburg field Our own John L. has wrought! Dim grows the giory of the wreath On warlike Warren's brow Before the glory of "Our Pride"-

Down with the shaft on Bunker hill. The thing is out of date, And rear another one to our pride.

John Sullivan, the great!
And picture there the brave Muldoon, John's backers in a group; if with the men of 'seventy-five, Off with the men of 'seventy Joe Warren's in the soup.

### A Little Plain Talk.

The game of base ball has assumed such proportions as a purely legitimate business enterprise, that those who have their money in it are constantly endeavoring to devise ways and means for effecting a more satisfactory and harmonious relationship between players and employers.

The latest scheme, which is now in vogue in the leading organization in the country, the National league, is known as the classi fication scheme. It is proving anything but the desired quantity and will probably be either abandoned or so materially amended as to metamorphose its identity at the next general meeting in December. With this prospect in view, A. G. Spaulding, of the Chicago club, and James H. Hart, of the Boston club, are both out with new schemes, which are very similar, however, in their general texture and provisions, but as Hart's seems a trifle more complete in its details, it is his

that will be commented upon.

A board of control governing all base ball associations is to be created; a salary list adopted, also a compulsory rule obliging a minor league to release any of its players on demand of any of the clubs of the two major leagues, for a bonus, or consideration of

Now this would be a lovely condition of things to be sure, for the National league and the American association, but certain and the American association, but certain death for the minor associations. Such an unjust system would render it absolutely im-possible for the maintenance of clubs in a minor body throughout the first half of a

For instance, suppose one of the clubs in either of the older bodies should be unfor-tunate with their pitchers, and they would make up their mind that they must have Nichols and Clark of the Omahas, or Knell of the St. Joes, or Duke of the Minneapolis, or any other pitcher or pitchers, for that matter, belonging to any of the Western as-sociation clubs, all they would have to do would be to make application to this board of control, pay their \$1,000 for each man, and take them. Then some other club in the older bodies wants Nagle or Cooney, and so on un-til the best players of the local team are ex-hausted, then what sort of a condition would the minor club thus deafted upon be left in What chances would Omaha to-day, after such an internecine process, have of draw-ing a crowd to the local park, what chances would they have of winning the pennant or even of making a respectable showing in a

championship race! ble, an egregious force, idiotic in fact, and Jim Hart should be awarded a great big leather medal for his wonderful acumen in his endeavor to create a base ball trust. Wouldn't such an inimical plan kill base ball quicker than anything else that could be

suggested—kill it deader than a door nail, and for all time to come? I think so. Another unfair and invidious feature of this brainless scheme, is the fact that only the two major leagues are to be allowed to reserve their players, and yet the minor leagues are to be taxed, per each club, \$250, for sharing in the protection of this marvelous legislation, that is, they must pay out 250 good, hard simoleons for something that is strictly and explicitly denied them.

This arbitrary taxation is already in exist-ence, which fact is in all likelihood not gen-erally understood. Still it is true. Every minor club in the country pays into the treasury of the leading leagues \$250 per annum for the privilege of muulging in the same rights as the older and more powerful organizations, in reserving their players, their own property, the same as the players of the National league and American asso-clation belong exclusively to them.

Was ever such a lop-sided arrangement acquiesced in by so-called business men be-fore in the history of commerce and trade? Do not these facts justify the belief that these quasi moguls of the minor associations are a set of mnate nincompoops? I think so. What the minor associations want, as has been advocated in these columns for two years past, is an organization simply and purely their own. They should have their own reasury, make their own laws and regulations, the same rights, prerogatives and privileges as the older associations relegate to them-selves. If their players violate these provi-sions, blacklist them instanter, and make the blacklisting perpetual. Under such circum-stances a minor association player would hesitate a long time before fracturing any of the laws of the organization that provides for him steady employment at a good salary, oft— times four times as much as he could command at any other pursuit for which he might be adapted. There would be no whole-sale jumping into the league or American sale jumping into the league or American association. Why! Because it is only about one player out of every ten who graduate from the minor to the major leagues, who pans out as expected, and is enabled to hold up his end in this speedier company, and thereby keep his job. Where one succeeds, I say, nine fail, and again fall back upon the minor leagues for employment. This is the very move for these younger bodies to make in case the older and wealthier and more powerful organizations dare undertake to foist upon them any such ruinous take to foist upon them any such ruinous policy as either of those suggested by Poten-tate Spalding or Schemer Hart.

Speas' Spicen. President Speas, of the Kansas City American club, does not think much, it seems, of the material of which the Western association is composed. He says the teams can in no way compare with those of last season, and that there is not a heavy hitter in the whole association. He witnessed a game recently at St. Joe between the local team and the Omahas, and he says that the batters of both teams acted more like school-boys than ball-players. He added that they did not show a particle of judgment, and it was as weak an exhibition of professional ball-playing as he had ever seen. This is a fine spirit for a tyro in base ball affairs like this man Speas to manifest toward that class of professional ball-players to which he and his dub club properly and

rightfully belong. Geographically and in point of strength, the Cowboys of to-day should be within the ranks of the Western association, where they might possibly pay expenses and make a creditable showing in the pennant chase. Speas' tail-enders in the American association are inferior in several respects to two or three teams in the Western associatwo or three teams in the Western associa-tion, and in regard to batting, they are weak-lings as compared with either the Omahas or St. Joes. Speas' strongest man at the bat is Burns, the poet, an old Omaha player, and his average to-day is twenty points behind that of Cleveland and twenty-eight points behind that of Crooks. The Kansas Citys rank seventh in batting and seventh in fielding in the American association, and their present gait will tumble them below Louisville, where they belong. They are

way out of their class, and should bave stuck to the Western association or into the tri-state league. This year, ever, will cool their arder most wonderfully, and they'll be glad of any excuse to get out of the American association before they are

President McCormick Talks. President McCormick, of the Western as-

sociation, was in Minneapolis the other day and this is what the Star says about his visit and conversation; "J. F. McCormick, of Omaha, president of the Western association, was in the city for a few hours yesterday and spoke freely concerning the trouble in the association. He said there would be no meeting to-morrow, as he had been requested by but two clubs, St. Paui and Mil-waukee, to call one. The affairs of the asso-ciation are in good shape, all reports to the contrary notwithstanding," continued the president, "and the Western association is as well equipped and has as competent a staff of umpires as either of the older asso-ciations. Mr. Morton is a perfectly honest, capable man, and I tell you that he has turned over to me \$794, which was all of the moneys left over at the close of last season I am at loss to account for the statements which have been made relative to Morton's honesty, and his accusers may yet find themselves laid low with a boomerang of their own making.

Lewis vs McM Hen.

The wrestling match, mixed, styles, between Evan Lewis, the strangler, and Mc-Millen, the strong man, which is to come off at the Coliseum next Wednesday evening, is exciting a vast deal of interest in sporting circles. Lewis, as is well known, is one of the best wrestiers, particularly at catch-ascatch-can, and one of the most formidable all-round athletes in the world, and is an at-traction in himself. He obtained the sobriquet of "the strangler" from his terrible neck-lock, which has caused many of the best wrestlers in the country to succumb. He is a savage worker at any style, and a year or so ago broke the Jap's lag in a bout at Detroit. He is looked upon as the winner. McMulen, however, is a perfect Hercules in strength, and a mixed wrestler of the firstlass, and will be able to keep the strangler busy The match is for a purse of \$300, hung up by the Coliseum management.

Among the Omaha Wheelmen. Che by one they fall. The captain now rides a "donkey" (safety) and thinks it the best road machine for all-around use. The club mileage for July was 1,62134 miles, making a total up to date of 6,89034 miles, not so very bad considering the rainy

weather. It is said there is not one L. A. W. hotel in the state, and but very few members. Ne-braska compared with Kansas makes a very poor showing, and it is said there are more wheelmen in the first named state.

Next Sunday the run to Bellevue will be an all day affair; dinner to be all day affair; dinner to be ordered in ad-vance, members are requested to leave their names on the board, so as to enable the cap tain to judge how many dinners will have to

Run to Glenwood to-day to start 6 a. m. sharp. This is one of the prettiest runs in this locality and should bring out a great many of the members, not alone for the ride, but the cordial reception which is always awaiting one at the other end of the road.

James Josephi, who has just returned from his lowa tour, says: "There is no greater joy than to take the road on a bright morning and go forth with no other object in view than to spend a happy day, wandering at sweet will in the pure air and sunshine, the sauntering pace, the mad-cap coast, the speeding over level, sand-papered roads, the quiet roadside pauses, all contribute to make a day so spent one to live in memory."

It's Only a Bluff. Secretary Sam Morton of the Western association, has signified his intention of re signing, and has asked President McCormick to call a meeting of the association ir order that he may do so immediately.

Miscellaneous Sports. Bass are rising to the fly at Lake Manawa

n a lively way. The Hardie-Morgan bicycle combination The Eck's female bicycle team has scat-

ered to the four winds. The Lindsay-Daly glove contest will probably come off on the evening of August 8. Frank Parmelee and Charlie Budd will at-

tend the Leadville shooting tournament next The Omaha Gun club have sent a man up into the northern part of the state to spot violators of the chicken law. Dr. Edward Weatherby, whitem backer of

Lottie Stanley, is still in the Bluffs exerting himself to get on a regatta at Lake Manawa. C. W. Williams informed a Minneapolis

reporter that hereafter the service fee of Axtell will be \$1,000, which is double the highest fee ever before charged for a trotting

Even money is being bet on the Lindsay-Daly fight. Lindsay has gone into training and expresses confidence in his ability to do the St. Louisan.

What has come over the spirit of the dreams of the Omaha Rifle club! Their regular shoots have been abandoned and it is rarely that even a remnant of the members assemble for practice.

A meeting of the Western association of base ball clubs will be held at Minneapolis to-day. President McCormick, Secretary Brandt and Dr. H. A. Worley will be in attendance from this city.

Prof. A. H. Kasten, who won the recent horseback wrestle at the Coliseum, attempted to stop a rival instructor, named Tom Morton, in the manly art at Kansas City the other evening in six rounds, but got knocked out himself.

Bass and croppies are taking the fly at all the adjacent lakes and many fair baskets are being made. Dr. H. A. Worley captured nineteen pounds of bass at Manawa yesterday afternoon, using the "professor"

Charlie McCormick, the well-known breeder of fine horses, has purchased a 300-acre farm in the Kentucky blue grass re-gion, and will carry on a stock farm there. Marye Beardsley will assume the manage-

The Lake Manawa regatta, in which Hamm, Gaudaur. Teemer and Hosmer were to take part, and which was fixed for August 25, has probably fallen through with Hamm, the manager of the affair, has not been heard from for a month.

Manager Jack Prince, of the Coliseum, says he will have the champion polo club of the west. The organization of the proposed league is progressing most promisingly, and by the 1st of October the teams will all have een signed and ready to open the season. Everybody wants to see a match between Kilrain and Jackson, and it will probably be made as soon as Peter returns from England, and possibly sooner. The California club offers a purse of \$7.000, and the winner will be able to double that sum in the betting. The Baltimore man should be a favorite.

The city of Omaha is afflicted with an alleged species of gentlemanly sports should be extirpated root and branch. are dead beats and puny fakirs of the worst possible breed, and do more to injure and detract from all legitimate sport than any dozen other causes that can be possibly

The lawn tennis tournament, under the The lawn tenns tournament, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A., will open up on Wednesday. August 7, at the Y. M. C. A. Athletic park, Twenty second and Harney streets. All the lawn tennis clubs in the city have been challenged by the Y. M. C. A. club, and some spirited contests are prom-

The Pat Killen combination showed at Spokane Falis, Wash, July 23, to a good house. The usual offer of \$100 was made to house. The usual offer of \$100 was made to any one who would stand four rounds in front of Killen, and Tom Fraser, a 236-pound man, who claims to be the champion wrestler of Canada, accepted. Killen went right at his man and knecked him down twice in the first round, and three times in the second, and in the third a nasty upper cut landed on the Cannuck's jaw, which rendered him oblivious to his surroundings for over thirty seconds.

Below is a list of American champions Below is a list of American champions from 1841 to the present time: Tom Hyer, from 1841 to retirement, about 1850; Yankee Sullivan, from Hyer's retirement to 1853; John Morrissey, from 1853 to retirement, 1057; John C. Heenan, from Morrissey's retirement to his own retirement, about 1863; Joe Coburn, from Heenan's retirement to his own first retirement, about 1864; Hill Davis, from Coburn's retirement to May 16, 1865; Joe, Aubust 28, 29 and 30; Denver, September 13, 14 and 15. In addition to these there are two games to be played here that

in same year; Bill Davis, from Dunne's re-tirement to September 19, 1895; Jimmy Elhott claimed the title also in 1865 and 1868, but the question was never settled. Mike McCool, from Sept. 19, 1866, to July 15, 1869; Tom Allen, from July 15, 1869, to May 10, 1870; Jem Mace, from May 18, 1870, until retirement; Tom Allen, from Mace's retirement to September 7, 1876; Joe Goss, from September 7, 1878, to June 1, 1889; Paddy Ryan, from June 1, 1880, to February 7, 1882; John L. Sullivan, from February 7, 1882, until forfeit to Kilrain, 1887; Jake Kilrain, from Sullivan's forfeit until July 8, 1839; John L. Sullivan, present champion.

Flashes from the Diamond. Joe Herr has been released by Milwaukee. Jack Sneed is laid up with a badty sprained

Billy Traffley is captaining the Prohibiionists. Pittsburg regrets that she ever let

Kuell go. Old Pete Hotaling is doing some fine sac ifice bitting.

Milwaukee has yet to win its first game rom Omaha Davies, Milwaukee's star twirler, is cer-

Jack Messett is putting up a good game at hird for Denver. Ted Kennedy is pitching fairly good ball for Des Moines. George Shock is playing a brilliant sbort

ield for Milwaukee. Billy Krieg of the St. Joes, is copping out good many home runs.

McAleer actually muffed a fly last Tueslay—his first of the season. The Milwaukees will be here Thursday for hree games with the Demons.

Sioux City is hard up for pitchers, and has corrowed Brigham, of Minneapolis. Pitcher Anderson, formerly of the St Paul's, has been released by Detroit. Omaha will close the season at Milwaukee with games on September 27, 23 and 29.

Darby O'Brien makes more wild pitches Annis, of last year's Omaha, mourns the ess of a sister, who died on Sunday last. Catcher Earle is said to be one of the nest economical young players in the pro-

St. Paul will probably have a new ark next year. The present ground is far oo small.

Catcher Cal Broughton has developed more good young pitchers than any other minor Rudolph Kemmler of the St. Pauls last eason, is catching for the Columbus, O., American team.

Omaha leads the Western association in batting, base running and fielding, and in the race for the flag to boot. Nobody need be worried, Nichols will not e sold at any price, at least not until after

the close of the season. Harry Quin, of Milwaukee, would like to Sam Morton's position, but, Mr. Quin, you must be disappointed.

There remains but twenty-two more games o be played upon the home grounds, and hen the season's over. Joe Crotty is as good a catcher as there is a this association. He is also quite a hitter

There is hardly a question but that the local management will sell a number of their locst players at the close of the season. Shellhasse, of the St. Joes, is developing into a first-class backstop. He is also a gentlemanly fellow, and a good all round player.

and a very promising general player.

Eddie Gienn, of the Corn Huskers, is slowly recovering from the fearful injuries received in a collision with Short-Stop Burks

Long legged Jantzen of the Minnies, is leading them all up there in home runs and three-baggers. In fact Joe Miller is the only one who leads him with the stick. Manager Seeley is after Sprague, the Cleveland twirler. Burdick, too, is being alked of, but what use could be made of the

latter man is hard to tell.

The Omahas double discount any team in base running in the Western association, in fact they have stolen more bases than any professional team in the country. Duryea is Cincinnati's main-stay, so far as

their pitching strength is concerned, while Holiday is the kingpin of the whole team. They are both Western association gradu-

Jake Beckley has fallen off in his batting on account of his injured eye. He is one of the biggest hitters in the profession, how-ever, and will pick up fast once in condition Command of the ball is the one essential feature necessary above all others to a suc-cessful pitcher this season. A pitcher who

"can put 'em over" is a winner nine out of Umpire Clarke is to be succeeded by Herman Doescher. Doescher is a first-class umpire, but one of the hardest men to get along

games probably. Singular that no club has yet scooped in Catcher Billy Holbert, of the Mets. Here's a man that would be a tower of strength to any minor leavue club, and to young pitchers

prove invaluable. Omaha should sigu Hol The Milwaukee players complain that Shock kicks too much—at his own men. What's come over Shock? When he was with the Washingtons it was a rare thing for him to open his face on any occasion,

save meal times. Following are the batting averages of the Omahas up to and including yesterday's game: Crooks, 355; Cleveland, 345; Nagle, 330; Walsh, 328; Canavan, 310; Cooney, 300; Willis, 300; Strauss, 260; Andrews, 255; Clarke, 250; Nichols, 190.

Joe Quinn takes his lay-off very hard. The If his work at Boston's short-field has not been satisfactory he can hardly be blamed, as he never made any pretensions to being a short-stop, but always contended that his home position was second base.

The reporters will tackle the advertising solicitors at the ball park this afternoon, and good solicitors should apply at once for posi-tions on The Ber, Republican and Herald. Carl Smith will do the reportorial twirling, He says he can stand on his hands and pitch good enough ball with his feet to shut out the advertisers.

Jimmy Wolf is no longer captain of the Louisvilles. Danny Shannan reigns in his stead. Shannan has shown far more talent for the position than any man among the Colonels. He has been the coacher of the team this season, and the spokesman on most occasions. It is thought that he will fill the bill satisfactorily.

Duke, Minneapolis' crack pitcher, had a tough experience up in St. Paul the other day. It was in the first inning, when eighteen men went to bat, four were hit by the bail, one got his base on balls, and the rest hit for a total of thirteen bases, piling up fourteen runs. This was enough even for the Duke of Minnesota, and Manager Morton allowed him to go and lay down. allowed him to go and lay down.

The Kanses City team has been a sore disappointment this season. It surprised the base ball world at the outset by whipping everything that came along, from the champion Browns down, and of late has caused by just as much surprise by being larruped by everbody, from the Louisvilles to the top-notch teams of the association, And yet President Speas says the Western association teams are made up of school children. Wont Speas ever run out of gall?

A number of Sioux City's leading citizens have come to the rescue of the Corn Huskers and on Saturday a meeting was held at which \$5,100 was subscribed and nearly that under hore promised to strengthen the team and put it in first-class shape. In consequence, all pronositions to sell the Sioux City membership of the Western base ball association were withdrawn and the club will be carried through the season. Tim Hurst was the finest umpire in the

Tim Hurst was the finest umpire in the Southern league and his success was due to his pugilistic abilities. When a player kicked Hurst would say: "Now you don't get over \$100 a month. I won't take your money, but I'll kick the face off you if you don't shut up." They say Hurst umpired scores of games without a kick. One night he umpired a prize fight in New Orleans, and the mill ended in a row. Hurst was badly used up, but he was at work the next day, nevertheless.

Following will be found the balance of the

A vest pocket edition of the horse has been foaled in Hartford City, Ind. The mother is a two-year-old Shetland pony, owned by Harry B. Smith, president of the Exchange bank. The colt is nine inches along the back, stands six hands in height, and is lively as a cricket. A small dog, owned by Isaac Gorts, and a large one were seen swimming in Brown's pond, at Rondout, N. Y., the other afternoon. They came together and began fighting. Soon the smaller animal began to weaken, when its antagonist caught it back of the ears and held it under water until it was drowned.

have been transferred from Des Moines, and

St. Paul, Milwaukee, St. Joe, Denver and Des Moines signed the call for a meeting of the Western association, to be held at St. Paul to-day, for the purpose of dispesing of Secretary Morion. In case of Morion's retirement, Dr. H. A. Worley, of this city, will be an applicant for the position, and a first-class secretary he would undoubtedly be. The doctor is an exclusivation has a ball patron. The Neglected Homestead of the Patriot President.

RETROSPECTIVE REFLECTIONS.

Historic Relics-An Interesting but Much Neglected Spot-Domestic Utensils of the Lincoln Famtly-Old Abe's Songs.

Old Home of Abraham Lincoln. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., July 81 .- [Special

to THE BEE. ]-No stranger or visitor to the capital of Illinois ever fails to make a visit to the old fashioned frame house which twenty-nine years ago was the home of Abraham Lincoln. There seems to be something about the place which causes the beholder to stop and contemplate the great changes which have occurred since the owner resided in the modest looking dwelling, and when he made his own garden and milked his own cow. During the past few years the property holders owning homes in the locality where the old Lincoln homestead stands have torn their old abodes to the ground and in their places erected costly and most elaborate dwellings.

This march of improvement has made the Lincoln place stand out more conspicuous than ever before, and so unpretentious it is that no one need have the house pointed out to him. It was until quite recently that the

property was owned by Minister Robert T. Lincoln, but less than a year ago he donated the place to the state of Illinois, and during all this time and a longer perion, not a stroke of the hammer, or the painter's brush, have added to the much-needed improvements of the place. Those in a position to know say that the house was con-structed about fifty years ago, but was never a well-built edifice in the first place. Lincoln moved into the house after he had established a fair law practice, and after living on the property for some time he built an addition making in all two rooms, one for a dining room, and the other for a sleeping chamber. These were about all the improvements made by Mr. Lincoln during his ownership, and when he was elected president, or a short time before, the house received a coat of paint. At least half a dozen families have resided in the homesteads since the days of the Lincolns, and it was rented for a small price with the understanding that the tenants would keep up the repairs, and it is safe to say that in some instances they failed to do so. The present occupant of the premises is a gentleman named Oldroyd, who has spent considerable time in gathering together relies relating to the earlier period of Lincoln's life, as well as mementoes connected with his career when a candidate and after he

was elected to the presidency. Mr. Oldroyd has displayed the great est taste in the arrangement of his collection, and in the family sitting-room, the dining-room and kitchen variou articles are on exhibition and which are viewed with no small degree of interest by the visitor. In pleasant weather the front door always stands open and as you enter you are met at the threshold by some member of the Oldroyd family, who have no aso) that a in saying (until a short time ago) that a admission fee is charged. pay, of course, and about the first thing you do is to stumble over an old-fash ioned rocking-chair which stands in

the middle of the hallway.

The family sitting room is rather small, or at least it has that appearance, for the reason, no doubt, it is crowded with so many relics of the Lincoln famly. Look atthe walls, they are covered with poster picturesand campaign music of the memorial days of '60. There are Lincoln and Hamlin marches, Old Abe's songs about rail splitting and running flat boats, surveying instruments, neck yokes, suits of common crothing, plain looking tables and chairs, a few books, numerous letters in Lincoln's hand writing, an old melodeon, a pair of boots, a shot gun, Lincoln's old law office desk, ink stand and penholders. There are copies of the leading newspapers published when the campaign was the hottest, and hundreds of campaign song books piled upon the old fashioned mantle piece. There is a portion of the flag which was torn from the box at Ford's theater by Wilkes Booth, and the entire flag which the citizens of Springfield placed upon Lincoln's house after he was nominated for president. There is also to be seen an old bible and a hymn book and a few law books, the first the great pres-

dent ever purchased. Passing into the dining room there is the same old table, a plain, two-leaved table, but in a good state of preserva-There stands five or six chairs. some of which need repairing, while the others are still good. An old-fashoned clock ticks upon the shelf, while a cooling breeze fans the same window curtains used in Lincoln's time. In the kitchen you see the same old cooking stove with a large crack extending across the entire top; there are the tongs, the shovel, and the small wood box, just as they were left when Lincoln started for Washington in '61. A couple of sleeping rooms are in about the same condition as when the family resided in the house, while the remaining portion of the house is devoted to the use and

habitation of the Oldroyd family. Since the donation of the property to the state the custom of charging an admission fee is done away with and all visitors are now admitted free. Mr Oldroyd makes a good custodian and the state pays him a salary and gives him a habitation without paying rent. While your correspondent was in the of the timbers of the structure, and he discovered many of them in a bad state of decay. The beams, sills, and rafters replacing, while the weather boarding is about to drop off. The entire property must sooner or later be repaired or it will not be long before the old home of Abraham Lincoln will be

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