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ney. Lincoln is the most central city, and Mr. John Lathrop of Omaha, offers to co-operate with the committee. The Lincoln club has five dirt courts, all in fine condition and enclosed with a high wire fence, and a club house with a shower bath, and a few more grounds, furnish balls, provide a custodian and otherwise entertain the visitors. An effort will be made at the tournament to organize a state association.

The Wind Up. The final game of the hand ball contest between Hyman and Burke, of South Omaha, and Kirby and Kilgallon, of this city, will take place this afternoon at Burke's hand ball court, South Omaha, beginning at 3 o'clock, sharp. After the match game has been played, the contest for the championship of the western hand ball championship, presented by Dominick Hart, of this city.

Questions and Answers. Would you kindly inform me through THE BEE the names of all the players in the Western association, and oblige—Constant Reader, Greeley Center, Neb. Ans.—Can't give you the names of each individual, but they range anywhere from thirteen to one thousand years old. Kid Nichols is the shortest in the association, and Ezra Sutton was one thousand years of age day before yesterday.

Will you kindly inform me through THE BEE the dimensions of a hand ball infield, and tennis court.—R. E. Sunderland, Omaha. Ans.—Thirty yards square. A tennis court is 78 feet long and 27 feet wide. Will you please state in query column of Sunday's BEE, first what constitutes a selling race, or why so called, also the nature of a handicap—Track, South Omaha. Ans.—A selling race is a race in which the winning horse is sold upon the track to the highest bidder. Owners, however, must fix a value on their entries before the race; for instance, Mr. Smith enters a horse at \$2,000, and Mr. Jones one at \$1,000, the judges will then handicap Smith accordingly, making him carry say 120 pounds and Jones 114. If the horse brings more than \$2,000, the judge that sum is divided, one-half going to the association and one-half to the second horse. A handicap race is a race in which the horses are handicapped by additional weight according to their past performances.

Can players in a league club re-act at the beginning of a season with any club they choose?—H. H. Horner, Blair, Neb. Ans.—If they are not under contract with some club, they can. Will you please state in Sunday's BEE which one of the West—League teams Bob Droeber played last season? Hotel Barnum, Nebraska City. Ans.—Bob has been kidding you. Please answer the following in Sunday's sporting column: How old is Kid Nichols? How long has he been with the Omahans? Where did he play last year? Who has the best record, Nichols or Clark?—Big Four, Nebraska City. Ans.—Twenty-two. Two months and a half. Kansas City. It is a standoff. A and B are shaking poker dice, A throws two aces. B bets he can beat two aces. He throws and draws two aces. Does A win or is it a draw?—A. A. Council Bluffs. Ans.—A draw. A draws two aces, which is better than B's two aces. If a man bats out of order, is hit by the pitcher and sent to his base, and the mistake is not noticed until he is out—George Young, Stanton, Neb. Ans.—He is out if the umpire declares him out, but legally he is out, and any competent umpire would so decide.

Please answer the following in Sunday's BEE: Is a base runner out in making first, if the first baseman crosses the line between home and first with the ball in his hand? Has a captain the right to change pitchers in an unfinished inning?—The Boys, Harvard, Neb. Ans.—He must either touch the runner or first bag. Not unless the opposing captain consents to the change. What player in the country has made the most home runs in a single game this season?—Harry E. Brasley, Burchard. Ans.—Jack Crooks, four. Please inform me what is the longest throw of a ball in record. Did Crane ever throw a ball 136 yards?—James Connel. Ans.—One hundred thirty-three yards, two feet and seven inches, which is Ed Crane's throw.

Miscellaneous Sports. The sporting editor of THE BEE is indebted to Richard K. Fox for copies of the London Sportsman and Times, containing accounts of the late Sullivan-Kilrain battle and editorial comments thereon. There is nothing new relative to the Lindsay-Daley fight, other than the report that it was off has been verified by Lindsay's action in discontinuing training. It would have been a darling old mill, and there is much disappointment among the short-haired. Ralph Temple, of Chicago, met the best of British bicyclists Saturday, August 3, and gave them all a good beating in a ten-mile race for the professional championship of England. The race was run on the Hyattston grounds, Leighton, and the principal competitors were Temple, Howell, Robb, Hawker, Woodall, English, Allard, James and Lee.

There is no denying it, but Willie Carroll, Messert and Nichols are fast ball players as there are in the Western association. Their 100-yard race at the ball park last Thursday attracted tens of thousands. They all covered the distance in 11 seconds, with the exception of Messert, who was three-quarters of a second behind, owing to his bad start. This has been the best amateur race for the professional championship of England. The race was run on the Hyattston grounds, Leighton, and the principal competitors were Temple, Howell, Robb, Hawker, Woodall, English, Allard, James and Lee.

Up and down as being bagged in goodly numbers all about the city within a radius of ten miles. They appeared in unusually large numbers, and in some places in extraordinary fine condition. Every meadow and every pasture land has had its three or four frocks of this delicious midsummer game bird. Prairie chickens are being mercilessly slaughtered, and by the time the open season begins the shooting will be measure in dead. Oh, well, sportsmen can rest content after the birds have been exterminated the legislature will pass stringent protective laws. That has been the lesson taught by the older eastern states.

Ring or yellow perch are biting voraciously at Lake Manawa. Kinsey Crooks made a record for the day, catching two hours' fish on Thursday afternoons. The yellow perch is a fine table fish, is served readily after being taken. No amount of ice, however, will keep it fresh longer than twenty-four hours, and in twelve hours out of water, even, they become soft and flabby, and consequently unpalatable. They are regular cannibals, and in the height of the season, can be pulled out as fast as the angler can throw in one bundle them. "Skip" Dundy is once fishing in Spirit Lake. Tobe Broderick has severed his connection with Nat Brown's stables. The Harlan-Morgan cycle combination are riding at the fair at San Bernardino, California. Eastern racing associations have begun to put into force the most effectual means to stanch pool rooms. They may result in sending more people to the tracks, but there are not a few who hold to the opinion that the pool rooms stimulate an interest that redounds to the ultimate good of the turf.

last was one of the most enjoyable runs of the season. There was a big turn out and the trip was made without an accident of any kind. The proposed regatta at Lake Manawa is beginning to assume definite shape, and it is settled that it will take place the latter part of this month. Hamon, Teemed, and sur, Hosmer and possibly Hanlon and Peterson have agreed to come, and a deposit has already been made binding them to be there. The time is set for Sunday, August 23. There will be one and possibly two days' racing. The Lincoln wheelmen will repay the Fourth of July visit of the Omaha bikers by going to Omaha to take part in a series of fair week. The boys may wheel it one way, although the route between Ashland and Omaha has ten miles of sand and twenty miles of hills.

The lacrosse players of Lincoln are already planning for a picked team to make a tour of Canada next season. The favorite run Lincoln bicyclists is to Ashland, making a round trip of nearly sixty miles. Their longest run is to Beatrice and back, over ninety miles. Flashes from the Diamond. Klusman has signed with Quincy. E. O. Connell is playing first for Burlington. Pitcher Duke was Pitcher Duck last season. Tom Nagle is hitting the ball hard and timely. Pitcher Emmerke has been released by Milwaukee. Sioux City has signed Bobby Black, of Wilkesbarre. Burdick has struck a great gait with the Iron Huffers. Outfielder Annis, late of Worcester, has signed with Hartford. Sioux City and Minneapolis are having a hot fight for third place. Sioux City will drop about \$5,000 this season. No wonder they are sick. Sioux City is again foundering in the sixteen and liable to quit any day. There will be a great game at the local park to-day, St. Paul vs. Omaha. McAleer is suffering from a sprained ankle, received in trying to steal second. Sioux City has released Tom Hanrahan, Reddy's brother, without a trial. Sprague, of Cleveland, did not make a very good record in the International. Long is back at Kansas City's short field, Alford having been shifted to second base. Clinke will again test the strength of his good right arm against the Apostles to-day. Young Prosser, formerly of the Omahans, is said to be the fastest runner of the Texas league.

The next annual meeting of the Western association will be watched with much interest. If Tuckerman had a good reliable arm he would be a great pitcher. He is a heavy ball player. Tobeau, of Cleveland, is a good, sure hitter, and is most confident when there are men on base. Milwaukee has made Houston an offer for the speedy pitcher, McCoy. He is the best of the Texas twirlers. The Minneapolis club has released the ex-St. Louis pitcher, Davlin. He claims a balance of salary due and threatens suit. Morrison leads the Minneapolis team in batting with an average of .340. He has made eleven homers in the sixteen games. Joe Quinn is a native of Sydney, Australia, where his father was managing editor of the News, of that city, some twenty years ago. The Omahans will play in Kansas City, this state, on the 30th, and down in that country they want to bet even on the pets of the town.

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HARRISON'S FATHER'S BODY.

It Was Found in the Dissecting Room by His Son.

GHOULS IN THE GRAVE-YARD.

How the Remains of John Scott Harrison Escaped the Scalpel of Cincinnati Medical Students—A Horrible Discovery.

Rescued From Deilement. CINCINNATI, O., August 15.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The eventful life of President Benjamin Harrison never had a more startling incident than I am about to recall. It occurred while he was a United States senator from the state of Indiana, but though it caused considerable of a sensation in Cincinnati and Indianapolis at the time, I find that many intelligent people in other parts of the country never heard of it, or else their memory of it is like that of a half-forgotten dream. As a historical event of startling though ghastly interest it is worthy of narration. Though it horrified the community in which it occurred at the time, it ultimately resulted in public good, for it was the cause of the passage by the Ohio legislature of a law turned over to the medical colleges of the state, for dissection, the unclaimed bodies of all paupers who die in its public institutions and hospitals.

The father of the present chief magistrate was Hon. John Scott Harrison. He was a little above the average height and, as I remember him, slender and almost gaunt in appearance. At the time I write of his hair and his beard, the latter long and patriarchal in appearance, were as white as the surf. As the son of "old Tippecanoe" he was a noted man in Ohio, and he once represented the Second Ohio district in congress, and his name was mentioned in 1856 as a candidate for the presidency in the convention of the American party, which eventually placed Bell and Everett in the field. Mr. Harrison was not a natural politician, however. He loved quiet and seclusion more than he did turmoil and strife, and he passed most of his days on the little farm at North Bend, O., which had been bequeathed by his father, who was the ninth president of the United States. So modest was he in his ways that the last days of his life were passed in semi-obscure, and when the papers of Cincinnati announced his death many were incredulous, and thought he had been permitted to pass away without greater public and official honors and emoluments than had been accorded him. His funeral oration was delivered by the Rev. Horace Bushnell, the blind North Bend minister, and was a memorable and eloquent tribute to the merits of the worthy dead.

President Harrison was interred in a little brick tomb about two-thirds the size of Grant's, on the side of a knoll overlooking the North Bend of the Ohio river, about eighteen miles below the city of Cincinnati, within plain view of the famous old log cabin which was so conspicuous a feature of the ever memorable "Hard Ticker" campaign of 1840, and near this tomb the grave of his honored son was dug. Mr. Harrison's fatal malady was a puzzle to his physicians, who asked his family for permission to make an autopsy on his remains, but the request was denied. Medical science, thus baffled, determined to

ascertain by foul means what it could not by fair. Cincinnati contains a number of medical colleges, and twelve years ago its grave robbers were not only among the most enterprising and demonstrative, but the most unscrupulous as well. They had been tutored by one Cunningham, "old Cunny," he was called, and the criminal records of the city show that he did not hesitate at murder when "subjected" and would go to any lengths by what they considered "legitimate" means. They were particularly active about this time, and the Harrison family, fearing their depositions, had the new grave vaulted over in the middle of the night. When the coffin containing the remains was lowered into it, a heavy slab of stone, requiring the united efforts of several strong men to handle, was laid on top of the casket. Then cement, to the depth of four or five feet, was poured on top of the slab, after which the earth was rounded over it like an ordinary grave. Nor was this all; in addition to the cemetery, two extra watchers were hired each of them being required to do twelve hours of duty every week, on duty at the grave.

GUARD DUTY AT THE GRAVE, and the intention was to keep up this guard for thirty days. Notwithstanding all these precautions, the ground had hardly settled on the grave before the watcher, who certainly had been derelict, found one morning that the grave of a man named August Devins, not half a dozen yards from that of Mr. Harrison, had been rifled during the night. Mr. Devins had been a friend of Mr. Harrison's, and the brother of the present president, and also of George Eaton, a grandson of John Scott Harrison. The first train from the city brought the morning newspapers, containing a paragraph stating that the night previous a body had been dug out through the alley between Pine and Race and Longworth and Sixth streets, and that something white, presumably a body, had been taken out of it into the back of the Ohio medical college, which faces on Sixth street. They instantly telegraphed Senator Harrison at Indianapolis, and the following day, May 30, 1878, he met them in Cincinnati. Having quietly obtained the necessary search warrant, Mr. John Harrison, and his companions, having with them Colonel Tom Snelbaker, one of the most determined men that ever lived, and Constables Walter Lacy and Cullen, proceeded to the Ohio medical college. They were not very cordially received by the janitor, one Marshall, though he professed to be willing that they should make a search, he, under pretense of having nothing in the college officials, managed to slip away for several minutes. The party searched all over the college for Mr. Devins' remains. They closely inspected the horrors of the dissecting room and of the "dead room," in which the "material" for the

SCAPE OF THE EMBRYO PHYSICIAN was prepared. They saw nothing of the object of their search, and were descending to the street, when Colonel Snelbaker's attention was accidentally attracted by a door in a boarded-up shaft, looking like a closet, or elevator well. The door was locked and the janitor said that the key was lost. "All right," responded the colonel, "then I'll kick it in." Before he could do so the key was found and the door was opened. The shaft was a closed one, and was dark as

pitch, but by peering in Snelbaker saw that a thick rope was suspended in it from above. The rope seemed taut, and the colonel getting one of the party to hold the left end, leaned over and took hold of it with his right hand. "There's something heavy on the end," said he; "let's see what it is." The dead room was just upstairs, and the party returned to it. They found that the rope hung from a windlass. Willing hands turned this, and the awful mystery began descending. Nearer and nearer it came, and at last, in the semi-darkness,

A DANGLING OBJECT WAS SEEN slowly rotating at the end of the rope. A still closer view showed that it was the body of a man, naked except the head and shoulders. The thieves had robbed it of its grave clothes, and only the tattered remains of a dirty shirt covered the head to conceal its features. All present, except the janitor, were unused to such scenes. "Mr. Harrison gave the body a hasty glance. As he turned away he said with a sigh, "It is not Mr. Devins' body. He died of consumption and his body had been much more emaciated than this one." He was about to seek the street and purer air when he was urged to make assurance doubly sure by looking at the face of the corpse which was still covered.

"You'd better look at it," said Colonel Snelbaker, "for you may be mistaken, and you will never forgive yourself if you allow any doubtful point to pass." "It is hardly necessary," replied Mr. Harrison, "but since you insist upon it, I will." As he spoke the trap door of the well was closed as the body was lowered upon it. As the head fell forward blood flowed from an incision in the forehead. Mr. Harrison removed the cloth, and the features of the dead man were revealed. They were those of an old man. The silver white hair had been closely and hurriedly cut off at the back of the neck, and what had been a long beard was shorn off equally about an inch below the chin. Suddenly

MR. HARRISON GREW PALE, the cloth (dropped from his nerveless hand. "It's father," he gasped, and he sank almost unconscious into the arms of one of his attendants. It was then that the present chief magistrate had been taken to preserve the body of his father from the sacrilegious hands of the grave robbing ghouls, but he had obtained possession of it, and but for their greed in also robbing Devins' grave, no doubt the son of one of our American presidents and the father of another would have become the victim of the sacrilegious knife of science.

As soon as Mr. Harrison recovered from the first shock of his terrible discovery he had the remains of his father recoined and removed to the establishment of a leading undertaker. Not two hours after his ghastly find his brother, Carter Harrison, arrived in the city with the news that John Scott Harrison's grave had been robbed. He was about to begin a search for his father's remains, when he was informed that they had been found. Senator Harrison arrived on the first train from Indianapolis, and was shocked beyond measure at the outrages his father's body had received. Janitor Marshall and his brother-in-law were arrested and detectives were employed to ferret out the grave robbers. The latter were unsuccessful, for though the identity of the robbers is an open police secret in Cincinnati, or was at the time, there was no proof of their guilt which could convict them. The janitor and his relatives were released, and the remains of John Scott Harrison were reinterred in the grave they had been taken from, and were guarded by friends until beyond the use of grave robbing ghouls or their patrons.

The most popular liniment is the old reliable, Dr. J. H. McLean's Volcanic Oil Liniment. IMPETRIES. Inquire—"How does your protracted meeting prosper, parson?" Parson—"Oh, well, there's a great awakening at the close of every sermon." St. Peter—"I do not recognize you. What is that bundle under your arm?" Mortal—"Only the earth." St. Peter—"Walk right in, Mr. Gould!" A concise prayer said to have been offered by an earnest New England deacon was as follows: "Lord, give us grace to know Thy will and grace to do it." "Yes," said the minister, "but after his sentence had been pronounced, 'the law does not yet release its grip on you.'" "No," was the reply; "it holds me with the firmness of conviction." Unwelcome Arrivals—St. Peter—"Halt! New Spirit—'Can't I come in?'" St. Peter—"I'd rather you wouldn't. You are just out of college, and we don't want any advice about running the universe."

Found Money in the Fish. Rhode Weimar, of Shelbyville, Ind., caught a three-pound black bass the other day and found in it a silver quarter. A Maine Potato Blight. A Maine paper has discovered that many of the alleged new potatoes that people are buying and eating nowadays are not new at all, and have not been since a year ago. Some fellow has discovered a way of making old potatoes look new by soaking them in a preparation that makes the rough, outer skin peel off, and leaves only a smooth inner skin like that of a new potato. Minister to Johnny, who is digging worms for bait—"Johnny, don't you know that it is wrong for you to do an work except work necessarily on the Sabbath?" Johnny—"Necessity! Ain't this necessity? How's a feller to do any fishin' if he don't have bait?" A Geneva clergyman, two of whose sons had returned home from the war, on Friday last took for the subject of his text the prodigal son, and now his congregation is a good deal richer for which son the fattened calf was killed.

CONNUBIALITIES. A man of seventy-six married a young girl of fifteen down in the everglades of Florida last week. A young lady in Wheeling claims to have refused forty offers of marriage during the past year. A Reading youth has an unscrupulous record as a rejected suitor. He has been rejected seventeen times by the same girl. A runaway match in Iowa was stopped by the white-tree of the wagon breaking, although the late father of the girl to rescue her in the nick of time. It is said of a Canadian mother who died the other day: "She was a nice wife, a fond mother and a managed affair as to her husband's girl before any other female in the neighborhood could even get a B. C." Miss Stella Cox, of Washington, D. C., has been elected to the Corps of Belle Etoile, and has married Nathaniel Patterson, a full-blooded Seneca Indian of the Cuttawagus reservation, New York. The ceremony was performed by Justice Parker, of Vermont, N. Y.

An amusing marriage took place in Elberston, Ga., the other day. A couple came into the court house to be married. A new justice was called in. He had no form and improvised a ceremony. He first ordered the couple to be married, and then he stood staring awhile, he asked the groom these questions: "Will you stick to this woman through thick and thin, up and down, right and left, in sickness and in health, and have other wife but her? If you will, you may have her for a wife." Similar questions being put to the woman, and affirmative answers having been given, he pronounced them husband and wife. To tone up the system and stimulate the appetite, take Angostura Bitters. Dr. J. G. B. Siegert & Sons, sole manufacturers. Ask your druggist. The Proposed Bridge Struts Road. The first great link in the chain of all rail communication between America and Europe, the little crossing of Behring Straits, would, it is said, be no more formidable than that of the English channel. The engineer for the government of British Columbia says that the route could be built for less money per mile than the Canadian Pacific cost. The first section of it would run through the famous Kartaon valley, a superb agricultural and cattle raising region. The climate would be just what to be on this line than on the Northern and Canadian Pacific.

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