ball Gossip. MOVEMENTS OF THE WHEELMEN

The Gun and Trap-September Races -Amateur Information-Miscellaneous Sports and Questions Answered.

Now it is whispered about in knowing base bull circles that steps have already been taken looking toward a thorough and complete reorgangation of the whole Western association next season. The prospect is one, too, which if brought to a successful issue will strengthen this body a hundredfold and give it the standing in the baseball world to which it is justly entitled. The idea of the Western playing second fiddle to such a rag-tag and bob-tail institution as the American association is something "dat make de monk sick," and it is reasonable to anticipate that the present season will bring to an end all such sheer numeuse. To think that such cities as constitute the Western association have, ever since it has been in existence, been contributing to the support of the American, and the National league too, is semething that I should think would drive such old time scarced base ball manipulators and moguls as Dave Rowe and Sam Morton insane. I don't know about Sam Morton, either, because it has always been the writer's opinion that Sam is only acting as Spalding's western agent, and has always been on that potentate's salary list. But as the the story goes, however, this new move is to remove many of the life sapping barnacles that have so long clung to western association, and to metamorphose it into a self-assertive, self-defensive sel-sus-taining pody, a body that will show no fear nor favor, other than that provided for in the national agreement, to either of the other bodies who claim a distinctive superiority solely on account of priority of existence.

No Bench Warmers This Year.

The Omaha management has broken away this season from the old permicious habit of carrying expensive and useless extra men. During the last two years she carried a burden in the shape of a brigade of high-priced bench-warmers sufficient to have crushed the life out of any organization, and it was from this very cause that Omaha has never made any money out of her ball team. Manager Leonard, in this regard, has shown himself to be a man of the soundest economical ideas, and if the season was anything like either of the former in point of interest, there would be something to jingle in the coffers of the club at the end of the race. As quickly as it has been demonstrated that any certain it has been demonstrated that any certain member of the team could not be advantageously utilized. Leonard has promptly let him out. Among those who have been set adrift since the
opening of the senson are Bays, Sommers,
McCounell, Thayre, Hines, Collins, Martin,
Urquahart, Sowders, Strauss, Kittle and
Phalen. These releases were all advisable,
with the possible execution of Pitcher Sox. with the possible exception of Pitcher Sow ders. The team now is sadly in need of twirl ing talent. Clarke is being severely worked, for the first time in two years, however, and is the team's only stay, as Fagin is practically worthless. He is not only alarmingly erratic, but plays as if he had no interest whatever in the team's success. Sowders was his su-perior any day in the week, and it is difficult to imagine why he was disposed of and Fagin retained. Again, Secretary Brandt claims that Martin, a wooden-headed kid who attempted to fill the box for Omaha on several occasions, is a wonder. Why didn't he keep him: But, as The Bee has remarked on several occasions heretofore, it requires at least a modicum of brains to play ball, just as it does to saw wood or plow corn.

How Baseball Has Declined.

As conclusive proof that the brotherhood war against the National league has all but killed the great national game for this senson at least, the daily press all over the country has been interviewing the dealers in baseball and sporting goods, and from all sources the reports show that hardly a third as many baseball goods has been sold this year as was sold last year. In order that just how the trade has effected here Tue Bas man dropped into Dunmire & Cross sporting goods he yesterday and inquired about the "Basebull goods," repeated M

"Baseball goods," repeated Mr. Dunmire, paratively speaking, and two-thirds of our season's stock will have to be carried over. There are no calls for bats or balls, or masks, protectors, gloves, or in fact, any of the paraphermalia that belongs to the game and there has not been since the opening of the season. Last season we sold piles of baseball goods, in fact they constituted our chief

How about other sporting goods, have they fallen off at a like catio?

"No indeed. Every other line of sporting goods has enjoyed a bigger run than ever, and I suppose will about even up matters. The sheeters have been particularly active. New gun clubs have been organized and equipped and there never was a livelier demand for gunning goods than just now. We are selling ammunitions and guns, shooting rigs and helping tackle and the like at a rate that surpasses anything of the kind in many seasons.

"About lawn tennis—the eastern papers re-port big sales in tennis goods, foot balls, croquet, racket and other similar articles and say that these games have supplanted base-ball to a large extent.

"I know that is true, and we have enjoyed a good trade in these goods, but the hunters and fishermen are particularly lively in the west this season. O yes, there is no doubt that this is an off year in baseball."

A Man for the Emergency.

It may appear a little bit gally and presumptuous to offer a manager of Frank Leonard's capacity a little advice about handling his team, but there are a great number of people in Omaha to whom it is a source of considerable wonderment that he does not use Willis more frequently in the box. The teams are rounding into the last quarter now, proven himself quite a power as a twirler the few times he has been called upon this season, especially so against the strong teams of Milwaukee and Minneapolis, and one or two of the other toams are mything but familiar with his de-livery. Why not try him oftener! Clarke, who is batting as hard as any man on the team, and who is a good man to have in any game, can fill Willis' place in center field very acceptably and then be there for substitution in case the opposing team should get outo Tit too hard. A game lost with Willis in the box will cost no more than a game lost behind Count Fagin. Put him in and let him pullout a few more games for you

Wait Until They're Hatched.

Up in Milwankee, so tremendous is the cranial swelling of the so called magnates, they are making an endeavor to get up an excitement over a proposed series of championship games between the winners of the Western and American associations after the close of the regular season. They are counting on the pennant to a dead certain and are waxing preternaturally anxious to measure strength with the American association champions as a test of the relative strength of the two bodies. That is what they advance as the cause of their anxiety for scries, but the true cause is that they are fairly crazy to get into the American association, and want to demonstrate that they are fully able to hold up their end in any class. There is no doubt of the Milwaukees ability to hold up their end with the winners of the American association or the league either for that matter, but the reason that a demonstrate for their angle of the contract of the contrac sen they advance for their anxiety for such a series is where they display their nerve, and their eackling before the egg is laid is another g that makes them silly in all men's eyes, ach a series is prayed it is more likely that thing that mules them sill the Kansas Citys will represent this associa-tion, rather than the swellhead Brewers.

Reddy's Lecture on Himself. "I can't realize what is the difficulty with my hitting," remarked Reddy Hanra-'em out to line "I used very satisfactory regularity, my good-eye seems to have

gone wrong. I don't go after wide ones either. and when I cut loose you may depend on i that the ball is over the pan. I am not discouraged, however, for everything comes to a man who walts, if is nothing more than a base on balls. I can't keep on hitting over and under, and one of these fine days I'll The Usual Breezy Weekly Grist of Basebegin to smash her such wells between the eyes and on the nose as will proclaim that General Hanrahan is himself again."

Wants to Get Up on the Lines

Like Tom Loftus, Manager Leonard is in favor of the adoption of a rule by the national agreement clubs that will pormit the manager of a team to couch his men from the bench. He goes further, and would like to see the manager authorized to go upon the

lines and direct his men. "It is too often the case." he argues, "with certain headstrong players to disregard the commands and advice of a fellow player, under the impression that their judgment is superior to his, or as is more frequently a fact, out of pure spite. With the manager on the lines giving his orders it would be different. No player would dare disregard his directions do the fear of having a slice lopped off of his monthly salary. Again, it is not always a player who is actively engaged in the game who makes the best coscher. A voice from the grand stand or the bleachers many a time prevents an out, and many a time coaches in a run. The manager is responsi-ble for the team's play, why not let him direct it! He is even more interested than a player. He is more vigilant and watches the corners closer, as that is all he has to do. It is like locking the stable after the horse has been stolen to tell a player how the play ought to have been made, when he comes in to the bench, and it never fails to annoy, provoice and disgruntle him. But if he follows the orders of the manager, and then the play results disastrously, the player cannot be reprimanded, as the fault will be with the manager.

Des Moines' Dismal Failure. Probably the biggest failure ever scored by

a base ball club was that of Des Moines this season, and if the Western association knows her business she will hereafter let the great prohibition metropolis severely alone. Owing to the lack of interest shown in the team at home, Macullar's aggregation has proved no attraction at all, and the attendance to see them play everywhere has been wofully meagre. With the possible exception of about four cames not enough people passed through the Des Moines gates to pay the policemes, gate tenders and ground employes, let alone the guarantee and fairly salaried players. This, too, in the face of the fact that the Leam struck a winning streak in the early weeks of he season, and put up a game musurplissed u the association. They, too, have the best grounds in the association and other conveniences not enjoyed by the other clubs, But the city seems hoodooed so far as the game is concerned, and has proven a dead failure in all the term implies. A city league is now supplying the little band of faithful cranks that still remain with their run at 15 and 10 cents a head. Lincoln cannot well fail to pan out twofold better than Des Moines, and the transfer will hurt no one. So Differently Alike.

Two of Omahas heavlest hitters have very decided peculiarities. Cleveland, whose stick work of late has been simply magnificent, is the bugaboo of all pitchers. They know they cannot fool Grover. He wont go after the wide ones, or those over his head or grazing the plate, and they know they have to put them over or give him his base. His eye is a "good one" indeed, and it is a rare thing for him to strike out. He is not only a sure hitler, but a hard one, and as a conse-quence one of the best men on the team today. In direct contrariety to Elmer is Joe Walsh. There's another dandy with the club for you. But strange as it may seem Joe but seldom smashes a real good ball, one that comes squarely over, but on the other hand, makes most of his shot-like drives on wide ones or high ones, or what would certainly be a "ball" if he would let it alone. There is no one knowledgeous enough to coach Joe when at the bat. He knows his business better than any one else, and instruction at such a time is inadvisable. Walsh is a free hitter, and he can knock a home run out of a ball that he has to stand on his tip toes for, or a three bagger out of one a foot from the plate just as easy as he can on one that splits the pan. When Joe strikes out you can bet that the ball went right over the plate.

The Omahas will make a strenuous effort to beat both Denver and Sloux City out in the race, and her chances in this respect are good. No team is playing any better ball than Omaha, and with the addition of another fairly good pitcher, she should win fully two-thirds of her remaining games both at home and abroad. Fourth place in ordinary seasons does not mean a very flattering position for a team that was as ambitious and promising as the Black Sox were in the opening weeks, but fourth place this year will be in such close proximity to the leaders that it will not prove so disappoint-ing after all. Six or eight consecutive victories will now boost the Omahas right up with the hounds, and she will then be en-abled to keep them in full cry until the goal is reached. We must have two out of three from St. Paul, Minneapolis and Milwaukee on our next northern trie, and then hooray for big crowds for the finishing games on the home grounds. Are the Black Sox equal to such a spurif With one more pitcher, echo

Right Off the Bat.

The adherents of the National league have had reason to feel jubilant the past two weeks. Ever since the league teams made their second trip east the aggregate attendance at their games has been far in excess of the attendance at Brotherhood contests. This state of affairs suggests the thought that while gratifying to league adherents it is far from comforting to the backers of the follow ors of the revolt. It is an old saying that he who laughs last laughs best, and from all ap-pearances it now seems that the parent or-ganization of the National league would have a chance to do the "ha-haing" next fall at the expense of the opposition.

The Next Games at Home. Next Wednesday Powell's aggregation of big, brawny Corn Huskers will battle for supremacy with the Black Sox at the local park. It is to be hoped that a new era will mark these games, and that while at home the Omahas will regain the ground lost abroad Noteam in the Western or American associations, either, for that matter, has any license to beat the Omahas. They are strong in-dividually, but there is a screw loose some-where, and their boasted team work fails to issert itself against such teams as Kausas City and Milwaukee. Manager Leonard wil endeavor, though, to line 'em up again, and if he takes three straight from the Corn Pal-ace gang, all the late defeats will be forgiven.

Right Off the Bat. Catcher Billy Earle is capturing the Tacoma

cranks. Omaha plays in Denver today, with Clarke in the box.

President McCormick expects to have new pitcher here in time for next Sunday gam "Peek-a-Boo Boozer" Veach is back on the

coast playing with the California state The Millers have the honor of being the only club to shut out the Cowooys this

Herman Long is fourth of all the Nationa lengue teams, while our own Cooney leads the If so many clubs are after Pitcher Hudson

for heaven's sake why don't some one of them sign him! Gunson of the Cowboys went to bat seven times in two games at Kansas City against Minneapolis and made seven hits. Minneapolis lost eight straight games en

her recent trip and tumbled from first to third place. She will climb again, how-Milwaukee boasts of their attendance. Can

they average 2,000 to a game for every game played on the home grounds as Minneapolis Killen is quite a pitcher, but the best end of the battery was left in Grand Rapids. If there ever was a wonder Catcher McMahon

"Smith, of Kansas City," is the title of a

The Kansas City Blues have taken up a new fad. They think it brings luck to go up-on the fleid in uniforms of as many colors as

were used by the tailor who made Joseph's coat. Fact! O, my! What a roast Clark did get in Kansas City last week. However, every player who works hard on fereign grounds must expect to incur the displeasure of the ocal fans,

When a home player is spiked or run into by a visiting base-runner the local papers call it "dirty" playing. If the home players do the spiking it is an accident. Do you see how the thing works!

No baseball writer in the country gets up a brighter column than Ren Mulford of the Cincinnati Times-Star. He has a knack of getting hold of news as is news that is the envy of all his brother acribes. Elmer Foster and "Moxie" Hengle, the two

Minneapolis players suspended by Morton, are playing with the Houghtons, which be-longs to the Upper Peninsula league. This league is not a party to any agreement. Clinkers Fagin, in one of the recent Minne olls games at association park, sent Twohey to base on balls every time he faced him, and in the score Twohey was not credited with a single time at the bat and yet he made a run. Charley Snyder hustled Oriver Patriou Cassins Tebena out of the game at

one day last week. The players directors-manuscrs captains may fire the old Red Stocking, but while he is in harness he will allow no one to make a monkey out of him.— Ren Mulford, Times-Star. What a lot of old base ball hums and stiffs will take a little quiet stroll into oblivion this fall. Deacon Jim White will lead the procession. The Deacon has been on the turf for twenty-two coasecutive years, and is baid and toothless, and must go on account of extreme sentity alone. Jim O'Rourke, Jack Rowe, George Gore, Ned Williamson, Brouthers, and a dozen others are passe and must step back for the younger bloods.

There are few pitchers, if any, who have surpassed Dad Clarke's record. His first year as a professional club was with the Ner-wich club, of the Central New York state eague. In June of that year I saw him retire the Oneidas of that league without a safe his and but twenty-six men were at bat in nine full innings. But one man reached first base and he did so on balls (which was not counted as a time at bat during that season), and Clarke caught him off the bag, I think, before a ball was pitched. If any one has beaten this record I have failed to see it.

Interesting Amateur Gossip. Bradford of the Nonpariels is a great little

Parcival will hereafter do the catching for

Etyling is not playing with the Crane com-Scharret will cover third for Nebraska City he balance of the season. Russ McKelvey will cover third for the Musee team in today's game.

Blair has a great pitcher in Well baum and a good first baseman in Russell. Stephenson of the Bluffs will probably

wirl for the Crane Company team. Rustin of the Crane company team puts up a great third base but is weak at the bat. Miller, short stop of the City Steams, is the est base runner in any of the Nebraska teams. Flannigan and Creighton won most all their games while on their trip to Deadwood, Dak Moller, pitcher for Nebraska City, bas an offer from Lead City, Dak., but will not ac

Missouri Valley and the Nebraska City teams will probably pray at Missouri Valley today

The Shamrocks play the Eighteenth street Stars today for \$10 a side on the Metz Bros. grounds. Thompson,' third basemen of the Nebraska

lity team, has been released and rejoined the Eden Musees, Nelson of the Crane company has the naking of a good player. He is covering short for them. Everybody go out today and see a good

game. These are good teams and put up a first-class game of ball. Geist and Parcell will be the battery today

for the City Steams, and Flannagan and Creighton for the Musees.

Only one home run hit this season has been secured off Pitcher Hart of the Ste³ms, and that by Lacey of Blair.

Blair has signed Lee of Sterling, Ill., for eft field. They will probably sign Third Baseman Patterson of the Steams. left field. Spud Farrish intends to challenge the Dmahas if he wins today's game with the City Steams. Soud is full of mud!

Carrigan of the Crane company team is a worker for his side, but he should learn that neessaat kicking will never win a game. Lacey, the catcher, has signed with Blair. In his first appearance with them last Sunday he made a two-bagger and a home-run off

Patterson, change pitcher of the City Steams, was at Spenandouh five days this week. He is playing a great game and as a base runner is away up. The City Steams have challenged the Biair

team for a game for \$50 a side and all the gate receipts. They are not satisfied with their defeat of last Sunday. Hart and Linanan, battery of the City Steams, left Thursday with the Stanton

(Neb.) ball club for a trip to the Black Hills They will be gone about three weeks. Council Bluffs does not seem able to get up much of a team. The Edga-Musees walked on them to the tune of 26 to 14 at Manawa ast Sunday. The Bluffs have won one game

McAuliffe has returned from Golden, Col., and will cover second again for his old team, the City Steams. He is a good batter and an elegant base runner and will strengthen the team considerably.

this year.

Primrose and West's minstrels team play the Eden Musees at the park Tuesday, August 19. The minsteel boys have a great team. defeated one of the best Iowa state league teams last week.

Mr. Gibson of Blair may be a good farmer, but as an umpire is a dead failure. Omaha teams look out for him. In a recent game with the Crane company team Baldwin of the Crane company made a clear home run over the fence and was called out at the home plate by this same Gibson.

Chadron, Neb., has a great team, which have not been defeated but a couple of times this season. Bittenger of Omaha is playing with them. Omaha will have some amateur teams next season. The Freaks and City Steams will both be out stronger than

The City Steams and the Eden Musees play at the local park Sunday afternoon at 3:30. This will be a great game, as the clubs have it in for each other and both say they are bound towin. The Musees are composed of A. No. 1 players, mostly old City Steam men, while the City Steams will have out their strongest

The September Races

The Omaha city races will be held Septem ber 2, 3 and 4, at the fair grounds, during the progress of the fair and exhibition. Great preparations are being made for a splendid ist of attractions for the speed ring, and the management is counting on three days of splendid sport. The programme is as follows:

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 2ND.
Trotting, Foals of 1888, mile heats, best 2 Trotting, 2:30 class, mile heats, best 3 in 5 Running, one talle dash WEDNESDAR SEPTEMBER URD.

Trotting. Poals of 1887, mile heats, best 3 in 5
Trotting, 2:35 class, mile heats, best 3 in 5
Trotting, 2:30 class, mile heats, best 3 in 5
Running, mile and repeat
THURSDAY SEPTEMBR 4TH.

Trotting, Pouls of 1886, mile heats, best 3 in 5.

Trotting, 2:28 class, mile heuts, best 3 in 5 255

Running, half mile and repeat. 100

Entries close August 39. All purses four moneys, 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent, Entrance fee 10 per cent of purse. Running races to be governed by the American racing rules, entries therein to close at 6 o'clock on the evening preceding the race, unless otherwise and ng preceding the race, unless otherwise an-nounced.

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Records made after August 15, 1800, will not be a bar to entries in the foregoing races.

The American trotting association rules to govern, with the following exceptions: Any borse distancing the field, or any part thereof, is entitled io one money only. s entitled to one money only.

Trotting purses divided, 50, 25, 15 and 10 per ent; running purses divided, 60, 36 and 10 per ent. Raves that cannot be called by 4 o'clock p.m. of the last day of the week allotted to such member may be declared off, and the entrance money therein refunded.

The Omaha Weekly Shoot. The Omaina gun club's regular weekly shoot

day was fine and the shooting good, as the

score attests:

Captain Emerson's Run Card. Captain Emerson, of the Omaha Wheel club, has issued the following run card, for

the balance of the present mouth. This morning, to start from the club house at 0 a, m, sharp, to Park's mills and return, a

listance of sixteen miles. On the 20th, 7:30 p. m., to Council Bluffs

and return, ten miles.

The 24th, morning 10 sharp, blind run, eighteen miles. Afternoon, 3 sharp, Fairmount Park and return, twelve miles.

The 27th, 7:30 p. m. South Omaha, ten miles. The 31st, 8 a. m., Bellevue and return, twenty-two miles.

Apollo Club Notes.

Jack Kastman has sold his racer and says at intends quitting the business. The called run for today is Florence in the norming and Manawa in the afternoon, The run to Bellevue last Surday was made by several of the boys and a general good time was had.

Flescher made a quarter of a mile in St. Louis while training, in thirty-eight seconds, and on a poor track at that. A thief entered Lon Flescher's room in the

Mound City Friday night and absquatulated with all his cash and smedals he has won at the different tournaments. Flescher is at St Louis training hard for the coming tournament there. In a letter from him he says the boys are all riding very

swift, but their track is very poor for fast The club uniforms will probably be here by next week. They are blue Norfolk coats, black pants and stockings and black caps, with a red star in the top, these being in the club colors,

The Apollo and Omaha wheel clubs made the ran to Lake Manawa one night last week and returned together. There were at least fifty wheelmen in line. They made a very pretty showing. Before the season is over they expect to make several joint runs.

Whisperings from the Wheel. Ed Smith reports dry times west of Lin-

Run to Park's mills today. Leave club Perrigo has a dark horse in traming. Look

out for him. He is a winner. Mr. Fred Carroth will attend the division neet at St. Paul the 15th and 16th.

Mittauer is the boy that can keep them in line, as last Sugday's run attests. Perrigo leaves Wednesday for the League of American Whoolmen most at Niagara.

How would Fred Mathews do for chief consul! He's all right. Nebraska needs one E it is reported that Pixley has a road race on with Healy of South Omuha for a cup best two in three. The run to Manawa last Sunday was all

right and the return home was a corker, thirty-nine wheels in line, making a procession twe blocks long. Every one is hustling for the tournament,

Prizes are coming in from all sides. All the manufacturers have responded. Omaha mer-chants are doing the handsome. Keep up the training, boys, and don't lose

all you have gained now. You will need all your muscle as there will be some good ones here from outside the city. Look out for Grand Island and Plattsmouth Lieutenant Mittauer's call for today's road run to Parks Mills, 9 a. m., sixteen miles; roads are as smooth as asphalt. The members need no other indecement to insure a

large and congenial crowd. The three-man club is having its regular runs. Prof. Perrigo wishes it distinctly understood that it is still the three-man club, and that they do not want to infringe on any club's name. Their banquetlast sight shows club's name. Their banq they are still in the ring.

Frank and George Alleck and Ed Neodemus de the round ten from Fremont to Omaha it Sunday. Frank Alleck is developing hast Sunday. Frank Alleck is developing into a strong rider. After riding thirty miles he turned in and scorched all the scorch out of the Omaha wheel club would-be scorchers

The League of American wheelmen has is sued another neat programme for its eleventh annual meet, which is to take place at Niagara Falls on the 25th, 26th and 27th inst The programme gives all information as to details and is particularly valuable to visiting wheelmen. It describes the roads around the Falls and tells the different points of interest which should be visited.

It is to be noped that this will be the initial step to bring the wneelmen of the city to-gether irrespective of club differences or petty jealousy and promote fraternal feeling, as well as cycling interest. With our up-wards of two hunored riders in Omaha half that number could get together say once a week, make some of the many pleasant runs about the city and make a fine showing.

The business relating to the September tournament is progressing very favorably. The prize committee is doing good work and lots of it and promise one of the finest list of prizes ever given in a western race. F.C. Matthews, the genial secretary of the tournament committee, is in correspondence with a number of fast riders in the cast, and Omaha will see the fastest races ever seen in the state.

It is ramored in wheel circles that G.O. resucceo will turn his back on Omaha in a couples of months and make his future home in Portland, Ore. In Francisco the wicel club will lose one of its oldest members and one of its most active riders, and it is hoped he will reconsider his intention. But if he must go the best wishes of the club will go with him, and if he ever returns he will find the latch-string hanging out and a rousing welcome awaiting him.

Speaking of the number of Omaha wheelmen it seems strange that with the Fremont. Lincoln and Lexington clubs, as well as a number of other good cycling towns in the state, and the many unattached riders, com-bined with our own, we can only beast eighty-six L. A. W. members in Nebraska. While the local consuls throughout the state don't seem to be doing much rustling. Omaha too is rather quiet in this respect and can count her league membles in the twenties. It is to be hoped that the remedy will suggest itself to the proper authorities and the application

be prompt and effective.

What a nice procession the boys made on their ride to lake Manawa last Sunday. The roads were delightful, and although upwards of thirty wheelmen were crowded together on the narrow road, no falls were taken. Os-car Epeacter got himself and wheel tangled up in about two rods of tire tape, and Harry Smith almost cut a horse in half with the front whoel of his "firsy untarned," but no one was hurt. One noticeable fea-ture was the number of saftles out; of the cutire number almost half had safety mounts, and the procession looked verry attractive coming down Broadway in single file, a safety and ordinary alternately-

Miscellaneous Local Sports. Intelligence has been received from the mountains to the effect that Dr. Galbraith, who is off with the Dandy grizzly bear expedition has scored the first bear. He run it into a narrow camon, and backing it up between two nuge bounders, he actually talked it to death. It was an old dam and weighed 1755 pounds. The upland plover are still lingering in the

pastures and large bags are being made daily by tocal gunners. Some unusually large black bass were taken out at Horseshoe lake during the past week, one whopper, caught by H. T. Milier, weighing four and three-fourths pounds. Woodchuck are affording good shooting at

Honey Creek and Onawa, and green and blue wing teal have began to drop in in isolated Some of the finest field shots of the state are to be found in the city of Grand Island. Messrs Harrison and Reynard are two who can hold their own with the best in the land.

Questions and Answers. Will you please give me the title of some good reliable book on bird dog training, and where can I purchase the same!—Field Shot, Grand Island. Ans.-There is no better than "Training

curlew and ployer.

ten-stanza poem which the Kansas City Star took place on Dunmire & Cross' grounds vs. Breaking," which can be ordered of the prints on its editorial page dedicated to across the river vesterday afternoon. The Forest and Stream Publishing Co. 318 Broad. across the river yesterday afternoon. The Forest and Stream Publishing Co., 318 Broadway, N. Y. It is a practical and successful guide for amateur dog trainers; its teachings will enable you in handling a dog ac-

cording to his nature, Will you please state in Sunday's Ber and Will you have solved by the body of the puglistic champion of America and did he not wrest the title from Jimmy Elliott, the fighter killed by Jere Dunn in Chicago eight or ten years ago! Do you think Sullivan and Jackson will ever meet in the ring! What has come over the fighters, there there they all guit!—Old Timer, the ring! What has come over the fighters, anyway: have they all quit!-Old Timer,

North Platte.
Aus. - Dwyer was the champlen from May 9,1879 to '81. He won the belt from Elliott, beating him in twelve rounds in twelve minutes, in Canada on the date above mentioned. There is no prospect of a meeting between Sullivan and Jackson. Pugilism is a played out sport in this country, and it is the hope of all respectable people that it will never see a revival.

Will you please define the term amateur, and settle a dispute and a wager |- Profes sional, Omaha.

Ans,-An amateur is one who does not enter is an open competition, or for either a stake, public or admission money or entrance fce, or compete with or against professionals for any sort of a prize; who has never taught, pursued or assisted in the pursuit of athletic exercises us a means of livelihood; whose membership of any athletic club was not brought about or does not continue because of any mutual agreement or understanding, expressed or implied, whereby his becoming or entinging a member of such club would be of any pecuaiary benefit to him whatever, direct or indirect; and who has never been employed at any occupation involving the standing of athletic records with betting and

What was the distance Sam Patch jumper over Genesce Falls and was killed! What is the heighth of the suspension bridge at Niag-ara at the point where Lawrence Donovan, the ball player jumped from?—Owen C. C., Council Bluffs,

Ans.-Eighty-six feet. One hundred and ninety-five feet.

Did Kansas City sign Elmer Smith as a pitcher or a fielder! Where did he everpitch and what is his record!—Third Base, city. Aus.-As a fielder. Smith pitched for Cinclanati in '87-8, and had a record equal to that of any twirler in the country. His arm went lame during the season of '88 and Cincinnati let him out and Kansas City signed him especially for his hitting and fielding ability.

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Even garters have gauze bows in hot A pearl fish with gold head and tail serves is a scarf pin.

Bluck ribbons with gold fleur-de-lis are often used instead of bows. A new song entitled "A Reverie" was composed by Mrs. Henry T. Spooner, a Boston society woman.

There never was a woman yet who didn't ong to tell some other woman just how she ought to do up her hair, Gold thimbles are covered with minute daisles in relief instead of being penetrated with the usual needle holes. It is rumored that the passengers on the

Pennsylvania limited are to be attended by ladies' maids in place of colored porters. All the "swellest" floral decorations made in London during the season were the work of two lady florists, Mrs. Norton and Mrs. A portrait on ivory of Mrs. Premont in her

youth, a value! memento of General Fre-mont's, was placed on his breast at his death Few Indies consider that they carry some forty or fifty miles of hair on their heads; the

fair haired may even have to dress seventy miles of threads of gold every morning. The report of the Massachusetts bureau of labor statistics shows that in 1875 there were nineteen branches of industry in which we men were not employed, in 1885 there were

An niventory of the wardrose of Queen

Elizabeth, made in the year 1600, shows that "Queen Bess" had 90 robes, 126 skirts, 260 gowns, 136 "fore parts," 125 pettieoats, 27 tans, 96 cloaks, 83 safeguards, 85 doublets and A pretty sewing apron is made of a large silk handlarchief or square of silk twenty-seven inches in size. The pointed bib is formed by gathering the square across one corner under a ribbon belt. Thence the rest

of it falls in a deep-pointed apron front. All who are possessed of fine tortoise shell ornaments or combs will be glad to know that they can be easily cleaned and polished by dipping them first in spirits of wine and rab-bing them thoroughly, polishing them afterward with a little bismuth applied with a

A wonderful wedding dress was recently made up in Russia for the daughter of a great Russian artist. It is of regulation white satin, but on the satin are innumerable little pictures, chiefly allogorical, painted by her father's artist friends. What may be its value in years to come?

The empress of Germany is an accomplished needlewemme, and has always embroidered the crothes of her children. As Princess-William she heard the little princes say their prayers every night, but now she has so many other duties to perform she is obliged to leave them to their attendants. Gum chewing and its effects have been sub-

cted to a scientific examination with the

makes the assertion that in this process "the

masseter muscles which more the law are ab-normally developed, and the futty substance which produces fair, plump checks is deteri-Lade Haberton, the English dress reformer has sanctioned a new sort of dress for tennis, bouting, shooting and outdoor wear generally It looks like an ordinary dress, but inside the foundation is closed at the hem, forming a

kind of divided skirt, which does away with the wearing of petticoats. One of the handsome belles of Columbus, O.,
Miss Kittle Thurman, granddaughter of the "Old Roman," ex-Senator Thurman. is described as a pronounced brunette and she has about her much of that individuality which characterize the daughters of Judge Thurman, one of whom Mrs. McCormack, resides on Long Island.

Many parents are apt to consider their daughters worth their weight in gold, but a Scotch gentleman estimated his two daughters' value at even a higher rate than this, bequenthing to each her weight in £1 notes. The elder seems to have been thinner than her state, for she got only £51,300, while the younger received £57,344.

This is how Lady Florence Dixle takes exercise. Since childhood she has always been an early riser. Straight from her bed she plunges into a cold tub, and emerges therefrom warm and glowing; she feels the blood coursing through her veins, and the rade bealth which a good circulation always en-genders. The cold bath she never neglects; summer or winter she welcomes it. Then, before breakfast, a sharp walk, or perhaps a quarter of a mile's quick run, or a two-mile course at a slower pace or a gallop across country on horseback. Any of these gives an appetite for breakfast. Later on she uses the dumb bells or Indian clubs, or frequents thogymnasium. In all athletic sports—row-ing, riding cricket, lawn tennis, etc.—she is at home, and, some say, is a first-class hand.

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A Dusting Machine.

A genius with a profound thought mill has taken up the subject of dusting and sweeping by means of suction draughts. He has a perambulating machine which, by means of fans and hydraulic pressure, gets a draught through a spiral hose, with a nozzle shaped at its terminus like the tromble end of a trombone. He starts up a grand racket on the carpet till the dust flies, then turns on this blizzard machine, and a Mr. George Trachuck and the sporting editor are up on the Loup reveiling among the condensed cyclone is immediately precipitated. He moves the hose end round and wherever the cloud of dust arises the suction of his mechanism draws it, and it immediately goes "up the spout, so to speak. This is one of the curiosities of the patent office.

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THE ASSOCIATION AVERAGES.

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THE BEE'S monthly averages of the Western association that are herewith given show many interesting features.

There are fifteen players in the league who have batting averages of 300 or over. Sloux City has 1, St. Paul 2, Denver 1, Milwaukee 4, Minneapolis 3, Des Moines 1, Omaha 2, Kansas City 1. Slebel, the Sion's Citys pitcher, leads the hitting with 868, and Mains, a St. Paul twirler, is second, with 360. Curtis of Deaver, however, who has played nearly four times as many games as Siebel and nearly twice as many as Mains, is third, with 338

Duke of Minneapolis leads the pitching talest as far as averaged carned runs per game is concerned. Thornton of Milwankee leads when the percentage of first base hits to times at bat by appearnts is considered. Every man who has taken part in fifteen games is given a batting and fielding record, and every pitcher who has pitched in ten pames gets an average. Minneapolis leads the clubs in batting and Milwankee is a close second, white Sioux City is at the tail. Mil-waukee is fied with Des Moines for the highwather is the dwith Des Mones for the high-est fielding place, and Kansas City is last. Urquhart of Omaha leads the catchers, Scauras of Kansas City the first basemen, O'Brien of St. Paul the second basemen, Miller of Misnenpolis the third basemen. Walsh of Ornaha the short stops, Glenn of Sioux City the left fielders, Krieg of Mil-wankee the center fielders and Strauss and Phelan the right fielders. The figures fol-

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