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WESTERN ASSOCIATION MATTERS.

Omaha's Nucleus for Next Year' Team-Brooklyn's Second Basemen-Stories by Jack Crooks and Poet Burns.

The Brotherhood and National league magnates did not accomplish anything at their conference in New York and the battle between the two organizations is still being waged in the newspapers. Each faction is emphatic in the declaration that "We got the best of the fight," yet both are willing and apparently anxious to avoid a continuance of the warfare. One thing is very certain, from present indications, and that is that neither side made any money during the past year and that neither the league nor the brotherhood cares to do a losing business another year, especially as, in addition to the direct financial loss resulting from such a contest, another's war would probably end in the absolute death of interest in the national game.

Another thing certain is that a continuance of the row between the Brotherhood and National league would make it impossible for any minor association to live. An agreement with both of the major organizations would be out of the question, and an agreement with either would simply make the minor leagues a lot of training schools for the league not bound in any agreement. It would be im-possible for a minor league to hold its desira-ble men and the conditions would be even worse in this respect than they were last

The managers of the Western association fell this and will not take any decided action toward another season's work until after the conference meeting of the league and brotherhood which has been postponed until Wed-

nesday, October 22.

The meeting of the Western association to have been held on October 22, has been post-poned until November 1, and if the league and brotherhood fail to effect a compromi decidedly doubtful whether or not the Western association will put a team in the field next year.

Stories About Crooks Jack Crooks, the hustling second baseman of the Columbus club, is what the jokers of the profession call a "soft mark" for their little "kids," says the Cincinnati Enquirer. Creeks has a good opinion of himself, and it is through this feeling that the gang has been able to work him. Last winter he became a member of Comiskey's California team, and in so doing fell into the hands of the greatest aggregation of jokers that ever gave a victim

the norrors. Simply by telling him that several league magnates were after him, Comiskey induced him to run his tongue out a foot in making a record against Clarkson, the Boston pitcher. Thinking that the league emissaries were in the grand stand watching him, Crooks fairly tore up the sods covering the ground. He made three long hits, each for three bases, coached like a calliope, and ran bases for several of the gang, who, being in with the play, suddealy became lame. After the game he re-fused to take off his uniform, and for an hour laid around the hotel office expecting to meet somebody with a league contract. Several days later, while at Colorado Springs, he was again jobbed. It was in the dining room of a highly fashionable hotel that the deed was done. Seated at the table

men who were traveling for pleasure. Crooks' table companion was Comiskey, who was ripe for some fresh "kid" to work on the young fellow. Noticing that the English-men ordered a pot of tea each, a happy idea struck him and he said: 'It's pretty tough that a fellow can't smoke

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"I should say it was," returned Crooks, "I should say it was, anxious to please his captain.
"It's all style, anyhow, and I don't see why—hello! Why those two English dudes

ack there are smoking cigarettes! Where are they " demanded Crooks, "Back there," over Crocks' head. said Comiskey, pointing Twisting in his chair, the latter saw the

steam from the ten rots rising in the air, and jumping at the suggested conclusion that it came from burning cigarettes, rapped out:
"I'll bed——d if I don't smoke myself. I ust as good as them fine-haired blokes. Have a cigar ! Saying this he pulled out two extremely

vile Mexican cigars, one of which he passed to Comiskey. The latter appeared to be wrathfully indignant, and getting up told Crooks to go ahead while he went out and saw the proprietor. Lighting the weed the deluded second baseman puffed angrily away, stopping only to spitefully blow volumes of the sickening smoke over his shoulder to-ward the Englishmen, at the same time muttering: "Cigarettes, hey-well!"
The terrible odor soon disgusted the gen-

tlemen, and, criling the head waiter, they pointed out Crooks, saying: "Th' vile thing is making us beastly sick, y'know." Two minutes later the angry proprietor had Crooks in the corridor making things hot for him. He ordered the suprised smoker and the rest of the club out of the house, and it was not until the joke was explained that he weakened and allowed them to remain Crooks never became aware of the fact that he had been jobbed.

Poet Burns' Story.

Burns of the Kansas Citys tells a good story-Jim often tells a good story. He says that while he was a member of the Oshkosh club some years ago it was owned by Senator Sawyer, the lumber king. Sawyer put \$20,000 in to boom the town, and, by the way, it won the pennant and paid no attention to it. One day, however, he concluded to take his wife out to see a game. Both were interested. The pitchers were being hit hard, there were many long flies caught, and they enjoyed it. Finally, however, an idea occurred to Mrs. Sawyer. "Senator," she sald, "that is not fair; they put only three men away out in the field and let all the rest stand around the diamond. They make those three men work too bard. You must see the manager and tell him to scatter his men out." her idea excellent, and the next day he hunted up the manager. "You seem to win all right," said he, "but I don't like the way you place your men. I want you after this to scatter them out more. Put more in the outfield and don't have them all standing about the pitcher."

The Kaw City Situation. The Kansas City correspondent of the

Sporting Times furnishes some interesting Western association news. He says: The all absorbing question out here now is what kind of baseball is Kansas City going to see next year. We have about finished talking about the pennant race of 1890 and are now looking forward to the pennant race of 1891. All the local players say that Kansa City will be in the Western association next season and so it looks. But this time last year would any one have believed for an instant that Kansas City would be in the Western association the next season? President Speas says Western association. Manager Manning says the same, and I am inclined to think that Western association it was going to be, but—nobody knows it for a fact, just yet. There is no way of guessing at what is going to happen in the baseball world and nothing would surprise me. I look for a Western association.

I look for a Western association, a prob-

able member of the National league and a Western association with Sioux City, Lin-coln and probably Denver eliminated and eastern towns in their places. I am sure of one thing, that Kansas City is going to have a team strong enough to keep up its own end in whatever league it may be, and I think that the exhibition games that have be ranged with St. Louis and probably games that have been arville and Brooklyn will show this to be true

Manning had intended to take that team to Sincinnati, but the sale of the team to the brotherhood effectually prevents this.

By the way, that deal has started the gos sips here and set the guessers of our future movements at sea.

The season's Sunday games have been such

remarkably successful games in the way of crowds, that the league would have to offer big attractions to get Kansas City in it. But the major leagues, as they are called, have a strong attraction for us, and if the American association is bulwarked up, I believe it would have a wonderful fascination for Kan-sas City. The present circuit, though, is not of the kind of build to draw.

Here is a league that is frequently spoken Kansas City, Omaha, Minne polis, St. Paul, Milwaukee, and three these towns: Detroit, Grand Rapids, dianapolis, Columbus, Louisville and Toledo A good strong league could be formed out of them. The western contingent would go in with a hurrah.

Brandt on the Stuation.

Secretary Brandt of the Omaha club is in for a top-notch team next season for Omaha. "We were crippled during the past season," he said, "both in the pitcher's box and at sec ond base. With the condition of baseball we did not feel like investing heavily to fill these places with high-class men and we were unfortunate in our efforts to get men of lesser note to fill the places of such successes as Kid Nichols and Jack Crooks. We will go at it differently another season. In the first place we are going to have a good second baseman if we have to trade half of the men on our reserve list and give a healthy bonus besides. We are also going after one more first class pitcher. I say one more because we have several now. Dad Clarge will be all right after a winter's rest, and I expect to see him pitch great ball another year. Eiteljorg showed up well at the close of the season and we expect him to do wor of the season and ders next year. 'Tit' Willis will be pitched regularly and one more good man added to this tric of twirlers will place us all right as far as pitching talent is concerned. Behind the bat we will have Urquahart, Stenzel and Newman, and they will be out of sight. They are all good, nervy back-stops, fair base run pers and can all hit the leather with the best them. O'Connor may and may not cover first bag and Cleveland occupies the same re lation to third. Hanrahan and Moran will not wear Omaha uniforms, in all probability. Joe Walsh will cover short stop's territor and Canavan and Works will be outfielders, with a third man to be selected yet.

"Of course," continued the secretary, these plans are based on the supposition that Omaha will have a team in the field next year. While we may probably be in it, still we may not. The war between the league and brotherhood must be settled in some satisfactory manner or we won't go into another season's losing business. salaries must be scaled in the Western asso ciation so that we can stand some show of quitting ahead, or even at least. Give us these conditions and the Omaha management will put a home team in the field that will be in the fight from start to finish."

About Dogs and Guns.

Although quail shooting is reported excellent in many of the adjoining counties, the warm weather deters many sportsmen from ndulging in their favorite pastime. Hunters who made a practice of shooting on Sundays will have to travel some this year for game, as the farmers whose ranges are within easy distance of this city have posted signs on their fences warning gunners off

The hunters brought this order of affairs

upon themselves by reckless shooting. The farmers have become tired and disgusted with the rowdy class of hunters who do not hesitate when among cattle or poultry to blaze away regardless of consequences.

An old sportsman, who has saved many valuable dogs from the boneyard, says: "Sufphur and lard, and even dry sulphur, will cure sarcoptic mange, but greater effect is obtained srom sulphur combined with alkali. The alkaline sulphur cintment used by physicians is an admirable preparation for mange. It is composed of the following ingredients and parts: Washed sulphur, 20: carbonate of potassium, 10; benzolnated lard.

65: water, 5. "Dogs are frequently the victims of skin affections, which are evidently parasitic, and yet their owners, and those with whom they consult are unable to determine just what parasites are to blame. It is well, therefore, to have the formula of an ointment which promises to be effectual in most cases. The following prescription is especially efficacious in destroying vegetable parasites, viz.: Sali-cylic acid, one and a half drachms; borax, half a drachm; balsam of Peru, one drachm; vaseline, ten drachms. This is practically a harmless preparation.

How many times have sportsmen been heard to say, "My gun don't suit me: I under or over shoot with it." If a gun shoots low the slope of the heel can be straightened with good effect. If it shoots too high the heel can be sloped more than it is, and the gun thereby caused to come up level with the eye in consequence of this alteration. But all this requires to be done with great care and judgment, as a very little shaping will make a great deal of difference in the fit of the gun It is of as much importance to a shooter that his gun should fit him as it is for it to shoot well; for, however well a gun may shoot, this good quality cannot be taken advantage of unless in the first place the gan is adapted to its user. It is impossible for the best of shots to aim correctly if his gan misfits him; how much more such a deficiency would affect a bad or even a moderate marks man may be imagined.

The balance of a gun has a great deal to do with the recoil. A badly balanced gun will recoil more than one that is well balanced, and consequently feels light in the hand; the latter will also appear of less weight. cheap guns are inferior in the matter of bal-ance, their muzzles being too heavy and strong—a sign of inferior workmanship, as the weight should be at the breech, not at the muzzle; the latter only requires to be strong enough to resist indentation. "Hub" Collins.

"Hub" Collins, the second baseman of the Brooklyn National league team, was in the city early last week visiting his mother, his brother, Harris Collins, and Mr. H. Hartman and family. Mr. Collins was on his way with his team to take part in the world's

championship series between the Louisvilles and Brooklyn's pennant winners in the American association and the National league.
"It looks like a consolidation," said Mr. Collins, speaking of the situation of baseful affairs. "Neither the league nor the brotherhood has made any money during the past year and neither is anxious for another

Collins is a top-notcher among second basemen and led the learne during the past sea-son in run-getting, with a record of 145. He began playing professional ball in Columbus Ga., in 1883 in the southern league and after wards played with Savannah. He went to the Louisville American association team in 1886 and played left field. He was sold to the Brooklyn team in 1888 and helped win the American association pennant last year and the league peament this.

Apollo Notes. Jack Prince is "doing" Denver. Perrigo has recovered from his fall. Regular business meeting of the Apollo Cycling club Monday evening.

George Beard has taken up the wheel again

The Apollos will give a "smoker" the first

and intends training for the races this winter

of November in their new club room in the Sheeley block. The boys are beginning to train for the Apollo benefit to be held Thanksgiving aftertoon and evening. There has not been very much riding done

the boys. The riding season is coming to a close very fast. The Denver cyclists have formed a union composed of professionals and amateurs They intend holding stournament soon.

There is talk of a professional race being eld here the 17th of next month. We think the public has had about enough "fakes" al where in the cast called the Barnum cycling club, after the great showman, P. T. Bar-num. This is the first club in America that

has adopted this name. At the regular meeting of the club the fol lowing members were admitted: O. S. Wood. A. Norland, L. E. Helton and Mr. Under-The club membership is swelling very fast.

The run for today is Crescent City, Ia., a distance of twenty-five miles. The boys are urged to turn out, as this is a very fine trip This was the called run for last. Sunday, bu on account of the rainy weather it was post-

Miscellaneous Sports. Cooney leads the shortstops of the country.

Newman may be played at first base next Tim Hurst will not manage the Millers next year.

Wally Andrews goes to his old home in Pittsburg in a few days. "Hoodlum" Griffith of the Milwaukee team

has brotherhood aspirations John B. Day says that there will be but one club in New York next year. "The United league is what the new body

may be called if epusolidation occurs. The annual meeting of the Western association will be held in this city on November Hy Hach, the new manager of the Minne apolis team, has signed Duke for next sea-

Elmer Smith won twenty-one out of the thirty games he pitched for Kansas City this Lots of the fans would like to see Charlie Abbey wearing an Omaha uniform next sea-

Hengle, Burdick, Harkness and Dugdale are working for the street car company in Minneapolis. The fall exhibition baseball season has been

to keep out of it.

The Brotherhood has been making over ures to Joe Walsh, but Joe's level head is not inclined that way. John Ward is going to take a team to Cubs this winter. If John would only meur the fatal enmity of the Cubans. The brotherhood pronounces the double um

dead failure everywhere. Omaha did wel

pire system a failure. The double umpires unce the brotherhood a failure. Jack Crooks has been taken out of more games this season than any man in the Amer can association, and yet Jack says he is not

The current issue of the New York Sport ing Times has an alleged picture of Elmer Foster that resembles a flathead Indian out for a hair raising holiday. The Kansas City team has beaten the Phil delphia league team's record of sixteen con secutive victories, and now leads the country

for 1890 with seventeen straight. It is very probable that Elmer Cleveland will be sold or traded by the Omaha management. Hir work for the past season was not up to his old time standard. Catcher Jantzen, the elongated backstop

the Brewers combination has a clear case of libel against the plate concerns that are circulating alleged portraits of him. Joe Waish has resumed his regular winter job as caller in the office of the Wells-Fargo express company. Agent Potter says that Walsh is out of sight in this position.

Minnehan and Hoover of Kansas City, have

them tie for the title of leading batsmen

An effort will be made at the coming meet ing of the Western association to have the percentage system adopted for next season. instead of the guarantee plan used during the

Dave Rowe is still out of a job. He has his eye on Lincoln, and friends of the capital city's welfare have requested Governor Thuyer to have the militia ready to resist any assault Davidm av attempt to make In the Boston club Nichols pitched in forty-six games, twenty-seven of which were victories. Clarkson pitched forty-four and twenty-six were victories. Gatzein's snare was forty games and twenty-three victories

Now that Cooney has signed with Chicago's League team he is no longer an object of in test to the Players' league club. He now says that it was the Boston, and not the New York players' club that approached him. The Chicago club has signed Cooney and Glenalvin, which completes the team for next

season, with the exception of Tommy Burns. who hasn't signed yet. It is said that the New York club is endeavoring to purchase Burns' release with a view to making him captain of the New York team.

"Little Nic" is not likely to be kept at short for the Kansas City Blues, judging from this ray from the Star: "Manning says that there is just one other player he wants before next year -a good young short stop. A good short stop is as hard to find as a Hebrew had carrier, and if Manning's search is successful he will call himself a lucky man.

Prof. Sheldon of the Young Men's Christian association gymnasium gave a public ex-hibition of his classes last Monday night and the boys made a very creditable appearance. A large number of spectators were present and much enthusiasm was manifest. gymnasium is now running in full blast and monthly exhibitions will be given during the fall and winter months, due notice of which will appear in this column.

Latham seems to have fallen right back into orotherhood ways again. The Cincinnati Commercial Gazette says: "Umpire Sheridan would make a good running mate for 'Sloppy' McDermott and Strief. He was way off in his decisions yesterday, and Lath made several vigorous kicks. Once L threw down his bat, and approaching Sheri-dan said: 'Whoever deluded you with the idea that you were an umpire! I think you are the worst imitation I ever saw.

Mrs. Mercer, manicure, 404 Bee bldg. Marvelous Growth of a Washington Town.

The United States census and assessment folls tell a wonderful story of the progress of the northwest. Probably the most notable example is that of Fairhaven, Wash, the Puget sound terminus of the Great Northern railway. June I, when it was precisely year old, the national census gave it 4. the assessor's valuation was a fraction less than \$8,000,000, while the real value of the property created in one year was found to be a round \$20,000,000. During this first year three lines of railroad, aggregating nearly 100 niles, were built by local capital at a cast of \$2,000,000, without floating a dollar's worth o bonds or incurring any debt. Ten miles of streets were graded and paved at a cost of \$600,000. Electric lights, gas, waterworks, paid fire department, model churches, schools, and other public improvements were made, altogether costing \$1,000,000; and the marvelous part of it is that Fairhaven has no debt bonded or otherwise and has \$50,000 in the treasury. It has one coal vein thirty eight feet thick, said to be the largest vein of pure coaking coal in the world, and ten lumber mills in the vicinity have a total capacity of 300,000,000 feet per annum. Its harbor is de-scribed as the finest on the Pacific coast, and the Great Northern railway is establishing great shipping interests there. It now boasts of 6,000 people, and is probably the richest city of its size in the union. Its magic growth is mainly accounted for by its superior location, its vast wealth in cost from and timber and the indomitable pluck of its projectors and citizens.

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IMPLETIES.

We suppose a man who rents a sitting in church is more pewer than he who sponges his seat.

Minister—You ought to whip your boy for fishing on the Sabbath. Deacon—I intend to, sir, but I thought I'dlet him clean them first. O"You were dissatisfied with your paster some months ago!" "Yes," "Has be re-signed yet!" "No; but the congregation is." I cannot praise the doctor's eyes,

I never saw his glance divine For when he prays he shuts his eyes.

And when he preaches he shuts mine.

"Is this a poor parish?" inquired the tranger. "Well," replied the deacon, "the stranger. parish is rather poor at present, but the min-ister is engaged to a rich widow, and we are very hopeful." "Charity, my dear breddern kivers a mol-

titude ob sins, but ef yo gib one cent to an organ grinder's money it done entitle yo to go around wid a smile on yo face as if yo wu ez innercent ob sin ez a two-day's old baby. Parson Prosy (who has brought the archict to see about repairing the church)-There's a good deal of dry rot in the south gallery, Mr. Gable. Gable—Jess so, parson; and there's a good deal also in both pave and

"There has evidently been a misapprehension," stated the minister after the collection for the heathen had been taken up. "arnong certain members of this congregation concerning the heathen's costume. I will state that they do not wear pants."

Banks - As I was walking along Park row the other day, I saw a picture vender who was offering for sale the photos of Talmare and John L. Sullivan. Wasn't that a ridical trial of the same trial of and John L. Sullivan. Wasn't that a ridic ulous combination! Clanks - I don't thinkso. Both of them make a business of knocking the devil out of people

A Sunday school teacher, after relating to her class of small boys the story of how Moses obtained water from a rock in the wilderness by striking it with his staff, said:
"Now Johnny, suppose we are all traveling in a desert and our good minister was to strike a rock with his caue, do you think we would get water from the stone!" "Naw," said Johnny, "we'd get soup."

During the sermon he underscored In the hymnal here and there a word, Then unto her be gave a book-She took it, with a grateful look, And read at last this tender line : Loved one, I pray that Thou wilt be mine— Wilt Thou forever my poor life bless? She turned—and gently whispered, "Yes," The metre was bad, but she understood That he had done the best he could.

Dr. Birney cures catarrh, Bee bldg

Russia's Coal Deposits.

If the calculations of Prof. Mendeleeff are to be trusted, Russia possesses the richest coal deposits in the world. The superficial area of the coal fields in the Donetz basin alone amounts to about 30,000 square kilometres. If the capacity of these deposits is put at 50,000,000 pounds per square kilometer (one pound being about thirty-six pounds avoirdu-pols), the total supply of coal is stated to be equal to the world's present consump-tion for fifty years. Moreover, this only refers to the superficial beds and not to the deeperdenosits, which have not yet been explored, but which promise still greater riches.

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Railways in Japan. In the matter of railways Japan appears to be going ahead tolerably fast. Considerably over one thousand miles are already in operation, while an equal quantity are under construction or surveyed, and will be open within a year or two from now. The projected railways exceed 700 miles in length, with a capital exceeding £6,000,000.

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