NOVEMBER GRIST OF SPORTS.

Prospects for a Reorganization of the Western Association.

THE CHAMPIONS AT THE TRAP.

A Big Bykers' Bace-Davis and Woods -Joe Walsh Talks-Wheel Notes-Local Sporting Squibs and Questions Answered.



HERE is a growing impatience among local base ball patrons to know whether Omahahas a show for professional ball next season or not, and while it is perfectly safe to say that she has, and a good show at that, it would be

impolitic to attempt to give further information at the time. The average crank is probably aware that this is a momentous era in the history of the great national game, and until the coming meetings of the National leagne and various minor organizations, all statements of future movements must be taken with a good deal of allowance, for in the main they must be unstable, unreliable and visonary. There are many matters of gravest importance involving the future elevation or decline of the pastime to be at-tended to, chief among which is the senseless strife being waged between the two older bodies. If pence is not patched up this win-zer the uninteresting, unprofitable and unsatisfactory experience of the past two seasons will be gone through with again, and it is a question just how much more of this sort of a thing the game can stand. The people are about gormandized, and with a general weakening on the part of the reputable supporters of the sport, it will drift into the hands of irresponsible montebanks and gamblers, and then it is a long farewell to the great sport. A cessation in this unseemly turmoil is absolutely essential to the prolonged life of the game, and until this comes the Western association, as well as the other lesser organizations, might as well hang their harps on the weeping willows. And in this longed for dawn of peace the ball player himself is the element to be the least considered. They are a sorry lot at the best. Reckless, irresponsible, improvident, unappreciative and ungrateful, and there are but precious few of them above going back on their pledged word or jumping a contract. They do not want peace, for with the coming of this the preposterous salaries they have been receiving would likely strink to dimensions commensurate with their actual worth and the services they render. There are but few

a club or the wrecking of an association, just so they can wrap their clamps around a little extra stuff, to descend to their parlance. Omaha had a brilliant exemplification of this numerous stripe of ball players in Dan Shannon the past summer. But to revert to the original proposition of this screed. Is Omaha to have a professional ball club next season or not! Yes, I am au-thorized to answer, if the west has an association of any considerable magnitude or importance, Omaha will be in it beyond cavil or dispute. But a western as-sociation hangs upon the contingency of peace or war between the major organiza-tions. That is a truth beyond controvertion. Such an association could not live if unpro-tected by some inviolable mutual compact with the older, stronger and wealthier bodies. Otherwise she would be a prey for both. But this seems to be pretty well understood by the parties likely to take hold of the venture in the event of favorable auspices, and it

would be but supererogatory to expatiate

ball players of the day with the perpetuation of the game in view. They want money, the more of it the better, and they little care the source whence it comes. They wot nothing if even that, about the ruination of

upon it here and at this time. A meeting of the last sad remnants of the Western association will be called for at Minneapolis on the 25th of this month, at which the situation will be thorough into and discussed, with the view of re-organinto and discussed, with the view of re-organization and discussed, with the six any possible warizing the body if there is any possible war-rant for such action in the prospects. The cities which will be represented are Omaha, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Sioux City, Kansas City, Duluth, Des Kansas City, Denver, and Moines. Denver, and Lincoln. It is not probable, however, that Denver, owing to her unfavorable geographically location, will be admitted to the association if an organization is effected, and yet she may. A number of other cities, which it is unneces-sary to name, will also be invited to have representatives present. The ball patrons of Omaba have every assurance that their interests will be ably and enthusiastically looked after, as the gentlemen who are a party to the new move are men of means and unmistakable capability and character, but whose identity are not pertinent to the case just yet awhile. The new organization, course, will be one with an economic piatform, with lower salaries and a snorter sea son, but with the first class taient available, competent teams will be gotten together, and

Joe Walsh Makes a Little Talk.

will be given just as good ball as ever be-

"In speaking about the comparative strength of the Western and American association teams the past season," remarked Short Stop Walsh down at Bandle's the other evening. "it cannot be truthfully claimed that the American had any of the bulge on our organization out here. I played in both bodies this season, and am in a fair position to speak by the card. In the first place I de not think there was as strong and even a team in the American this season as were the Omahas up to the time of the bust up July 12, and the Milwau kees, too, were very strong, and after joining the American they gave the teams of the latter organization a surprise party all along the line. In this con nection, too, the Sioux Citys must not be lost sight of, for while the Brewers found a good deal of easy prey in the American, they themselves were suckers when arrayed against the Corn Huskers, who played all around them. In fact the Sloux Citys put up as good an article of ball as was seen any-where in the country, in spite of the tough luck that followed them through the opening months of the season. In all the games they played during the entire summer, they had a good fighting chance to win, ex-cepting, say about ten games, which they lost without ever a chance to win. Most of their strength lay in Hart's wonderful pitching. He officiated in forty-three games in his team, and in but two or three of these did the hits made off of him foot up over soven, and but once did they run into double figures. He closed out the reorganized Omahas without a hit and pitched two games against the Brewers, when a lonely single was all they could get in each. That was litching, wasn't it! And then, too, Billy had a fine man to receive him, for Earle's work compares favorably with that of any catcher in the country. He even beat Charlie Zimmer's great record of catching 117 straight games, and was good for any num-ber more when the season closed a couple of weeks ago. In the early part of the season, with a badly injured hand be didn't "line 'em down" very well, but later on he did the best work of his life. Chicago was badly broken up over its loss of the series with the Huskers, while St. Louis went literally daft after she had taken five straight doses. So you see there was still another mighty strong team in the Western in addition to Omaha and Milwauke. Indeed it is an ill wind that blows no one good, as the old saying blows no one good, as the old saying goes. The meetings between Chicago and Sloux City gave Billy Harr and Billy Earle the opportunity of their lives. Their fine work brought them into deserved prominence, and both found the offers rolling in so fast that it must have given them a touch of the swelled head, get I see they are among the first to cast anchor for next season. Hart with the Chicago American club and Earle with the Bostons of the same association. Me! Oh, I have a nice offer to continuouext year with the Orioles, and I presume that is

year with the Orioles, and I presume that is where I will be found." Milwankee's Early ' quest.

It is evident that something extraordinary will needs be done next season to sustain an American association club in Milwaukee, tays the Evening Wisconsin. At the end of lest season one that was considered pros-

perous-the managers were obliged to give a note for \$3,000 to Benjamin Weil to save 'the franchise. This was followed by a 25 per cent assessment on the stock of the club, and later to an appeal to the public for \$6,000 to pay the players' salaries and meet other immediate demands on the treasury. With an expensive team and heavy milage to pay next year the Milwaukee club must look for a big attendance at the local games in order

to meet expenses.

Judging from the tenor of these remarks it will occasion no very great surprise if Milwaukee is found back in the Western association and appears of the second second.

How to Play Foot Ball. [Copyright, 1891.]

In the previous article I placed the quarterback in the division with the center, because he is so intimately connected with center work, although in the name and position be is counted with the backs. It is his duty to handle every bail which the center rusher rolls back, and he is expected to receive it under all conditions, coming fast or slow, with a bound or not, straight or crooked, for the ball is in play as soon as the center passes it and he must deliver it to a third person before a gain can be attempted. A fumble or a wild pass is a bad set back and may mean a touch-down and victory, as it did in the run which Dean, of Harvard, made in the Yate-Harvard game last year, when he broke through the Yale rush line at a most oppor-tune time and seizing the ball which had been snapped back crookedly and fumbled, made his forty-yard dash and placed the ball

down behind the Yale goal. In assuming the position for receiving the ball the quarter-back should stand as far away from the center rusher as he can and be able to give him the signal conveniently for snapping the ball. If he is careless on this point he will every now and then receive a reminder from some long-armed center rusher or guard, who will reach over and grab him before he has passed the bail. I remember seeing Victor Harding of the Harremember seeing Victor Harding of the Har-vard eleven spring headlong over the Yale center rusher and perform this very feat at an exciting point in the Yale-Harvard game of 1887. The signal for the ball to be snapped is usually given by pressing the thumb on the inside of the calf of the leg. It used to be given much higher up, but a change of place was found necessary on account of the trickery of opponents, who sometimes would reach over and give the signal before the quarter-back was in readiness. This always

esuited in either a loss of ground or the ball. The quarter-back should never give his private signal to the center rusher for the ball until the captain has given the signal for the play, and then only after he comprehends it bimself. In a well drilled eleven of course the quarter-back understands the sigcourse the quarter-back understands the sig-nal for a play the moment it is given, and yet it is not a rarething even in important games for signals to be mixed or the key numbers to be left out. In that case the quarter-back should not signal for the ball until the signal for the play is made plain or a new one given. It is now quite common to have the quarter-back give the signals for the play whether he is captain or not.

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There are three styles of passing a ball used by quarter-backs. Hodge, the well known Princeton quarter-back, was accustomed to use beth hands in passing the ball. This insured accuracy, but placed limitations are the distance it could be thrown. tions upon the distance it could be thrown. Beecher, Yale's famous quarter-back, used only one hand. In doing this he swung his arm sidewise and forward, just below the level of the shoulder, and was able to pass a ong distance with great accuracy. In his day long passes, which are now rarely even attempted on account of the superior work of the end rushers, were frequently made to the end rusher on the side of the field.

Indeed, I remember seeing such a pass made in the first foot-ball contest I ever wit-nessed. It was in the Yale-Princeton game of 1883, the year that I wombly, who was very skillful in passing, was Yale's quarter-back. I remember, too, how it thrilled me at a certain point in the game when I was expecting the ball to be passed to the haif-back, Terry, for a run. Twombly turned quickly and sent the ball full half the width of the field to the endrusher, who caught it on the run and went for forty yards down the field before he was stopped by Princeton's full back. Dean of Harvard used still another style of passing. He pitched the ball undernand with an easy natural swing of the arm. The latter style is the quickest of the three, for no time s lost in raising the arm into a position for delivering the ball.

We turn now to the two wings, which are

each made up of a tackle and an end rusher. We will consider the position of tackle first. Perhaps we can get a better idea of the style of men best suited for the posi-tion by describing star players. Of these, Gill of Yale and Cowan of Princeton stand as ideal men in this posi-tion; while Rhodes of Yale and Upton of Harvard follow closely after. In Gill and Cowan we also find perfect physical qualities for the position. Built about five feet nine inches in height, weight from 170 to 175 pounds, deep, round bodies, arms and legs very large and heavily muscled, swift runness, quick in movement, hard, sure tacklers, good blockers, while not easily blocked themselves, brilliant runners with the ball, and withal possessing an apitude for the game with almost udlimited capacity for head work, they stand unequaled in this position. Rhodes and Upton are lighter, weighing about 160 pounds, and are not so strongly put together. They are slightly quicker in their movements, possessing more flery natures, which give to their tackling, especially when interfered with, a sort of desperate brilliancy. They also were good gainers with the ball. I think that it was true of both of them it know it was true of Rhodes from playing along side of him), that they possessed unconquerable wills on the foot ball field, and never let up for a mo-

ment.
There, then, in epitome, are the qualities a fine tackle should possess. Emphasis is laid upon quickness in getting through the line, sure tackling, getting down the field on a kick, and in running with the ball.

In breaking through the line the tackle should play far enough away from the guard to insure his not getting tangled up with him, for it is his duty on nearly all occasions to go through the lines as quickly as possible for tackling. It is a constant question with him whether to go on the inside or the out-side of his opponent. That, of course, should be affected somewhat by the distance he is separated from the guard, and whether he is able to comprehend the play the opponents are about to make. If there is a probability of a play around his end, it would be exceedingly dangerous to go on the inside of his opponent, for the tackle is chief assistant of the end rusher on such a play. On the other hand, if the play is through the center, he can be of most service by going through on the inside.

The end rushers fill two of the most im portant positions of the eleven as a rule, for they have the duty of preventing the long runs of the game. It is an unusual thing for a long run to be made through the line on account of the excellent support the rushers bave behind the line; but let a rusher once get around the end with one or two interferers ahead of him, as is usually the case on such runs, and he is likely to go a long dis-tance down the field and not unusually make a touch down. For this reason the end-rusher must be a fine tackler even in the face of interference, and for the same and other reasons he should be a quick man and a fast runner. At the same time the position repuires a cautious, heady player to know when to leave his position for assisting in another part of the field, and also just how to treat his interferers so that he can takle the run-ner or give the tackle a chance to do so. I is not enough for the end rusher simply force the runner to go on the inside of him," as the coachers are constantly enjoining (for practically a run around the end may be made by blocking the end man when he plays out too far), but he should also have a hand in the tackling himself.

"Be the first man down the field on a kick" is the motto early instilled in the would-be end rusher, and to do that and to tackle his man every time is no small ac-complishment. It means long practice and much careful study of how to get the direc-tion the ball is kicked, and the best ways of approaching the man to whom the ball goes. it is a common fault for end rushers to run blindly down the field without knowing the exact direction the bail is kicked, when a ittle study of the faces and actions of the half-backs will indicate in a second whither the ball is going. Another common fault with end rushers is the failure to tackle the man who gets the ball. This results largely from overrunning him. The player with the ball simply turner to occasion at the proper from overrunning him. The player with the ball simply jumps to one side at the proper moment and lets him go by in his headlong run and then goes down the field. The one remedy is to slow up as he approaches and watch for a tackle. Care should be taken in case he falls in his own tackle to force the runner in where he will meet the other rushers now near at hand.

ers now near at hand. We have now come to the last division,

namely, the backs, consisting of two haifbacks and the full back. These stand from ten to twenty feet back of the rush line when their side has the ball. They group tnemselves at easy distances from each other and in such a way as to best assist in carrying out the play which is about to be made. They are the conveying power largely and most of the advances into the opponents' territory are made by them. For this reason men are selected to fill these positions who are quick, swift runners and at the same time are men of drahing courage. Again and again they must run headlong into the line, oftentimes only to be hurled back by the flerce rushers who plunge through the line at them. Yet, never losing courage, again and again they must come to the rally, now attacting the opponents' center by heavy plunging, now trying to make a detour around the wings, now this tactic, now that, and all in response to signals given by the captain, who is the general of the game. Some times when repeated attempts to carry the ball the requisite five yards before four days have been made have failed, the ball downs have been made have failed, the ball is passed back to the full-back for a kick and with one mighty stroke of his foot the ball goes flying far into the air toward the opponents' goal.

Which is the cest Man? Competent judges who saw Jack Davis per form last Fr day night, a week ago, by the dim and uncertain light of a number of torches, are unanimous on the score that it was the best showing he ever made in a local

ring. He had a powerful adversary, skilled in all the arts of fistic lore, of extensive experience, and although the contest was herce and vigorous from start to finish, he escaped without a scratch to tell of the savage bout he had gone through. From this they argue that in his two notable fights in San Francisco within the past year or so, and both of which, after winning, he lost, that he was purely a creature of mismanage-ment and hard luck. Particularly is this true in connection with his last fight on the coast, that with Billy Woods, the Denver man. Woods is certainly no match for Davis on anything like even terms, and while shall not attempt to harmonize this assertion with the result of their recent fight, I will add that the best of authorities agree with me on this point, and today a proposition is to be mailed, Bat Masterson of Denver, on behalf of two gentlemen of this city, offering to back Davis against Woods, for a finish contest with gloves, on the turf within fifty miles of this city, for a stake anywhere from \$500 to \$5,000, he to take his choice and name the amount and the ime he can have his man fit for the contest. Davis is ready now, and if Woods thinks he is the best man and as the inducements are as liberar as could be desired, it looks as if there were good prospects for a scrap.

The Foreign Riders to Be Here. Jack Prince, probably the champion bicyclist of the world, and who claims Omaha as his permanent abiding place, is again in the city. Jack went to New York to represent this city in the big Madison Square garden race. He would have doubtiess won the race had he not met with an accident, for up to that time he led Martin, the flual winner, by twenty-five miles. He exhibits a bad wound on his left knee as evidence of his disaster. Even after sustaining this injury he beat Howell, the English champion twice, once in a ten-mile race and once for five, which he considers a bigger victory than to have won the big race would have been. Howell and Prince had not met in a race for five years, the last time being at Springfield, Mass. when Prince came out first best by the narrow margin of one foot. At that time Jack also made the world's record for one mile. He says that all the crack foreign riders that ook part in the New York race will be seen in the Coliseum, this city, in an eight-hour-six-hour-a-day-race within the next six weeks. Such a race would certainly prove an interesting affair. It will be open to all and for the championship of America, with T. W. Eck as manager. Prince will be in T. W. Eck as manager. this race and says he i willing to pack him self to a moderate extent, as he thinks he is the champion in that sort of a trial.

Champion Elliott and Parmelee. J. A. R. Elliott of Kansas City, and the al leged champion wing shot of America, was again defeated in Chicago last week by George Klienman, killing only eighty-six birds to Klienman's ninety-one out of a hundred. The Omaha trap devotees are still clamoring for a match between Elliott and Frank Pamelee of this city. They care nothing about its being a match for the American Field's championship cup, but these two great shots pitted against each other for a easonable stake. Parmelee, it is understood, will not shoot Elliott in Kansas City, and therefore refrains from challenging him The Omaha man, however, is willing and even anxious for a whirl at the cowboy champion and would be tickled to death to receive a challenge for a match for a few hundreds. Just now Parmelee is not in his best form, but a man with his eye and nerve, and super for skill, would require but a few days prac-tice to put him in condition for the fullest test of his ability. If the match is made, it will be even money here that Parmelee wins, for there is little question but what he is the peer of any of America's so-called champions when it comes to a little controversy over the trap, for the "dough."

After Milwaukee's Curls. The Columbus Journal is trying to show that if any Association club must retire it ought to be Milwaukee instead of the Ohio city. _ It says: "It will be interesting to note how Milwaukee stands the financial racket under the 'no percentage' plan adopted by the American association. The cost of next year's team in the Cream City is not less than \$32,000 for salaries alone, not counting other expenses. It was over \$20,000 in the Western association and Canavan, Dwyer, Mains, Car-ney and Dablen have been since added. The sn'ary of Dahlen alone is \$3,500, while Pitcker Davis's has been increased from \$1,400 to \$2,800. If that city is allowed to remain in the association, it won't be the 1st of August until a cry of distress will come up from the take shore. Milwaukee is a dead rabbit town according to the unblased opin-ion of every manager or player who knows anything about the place. It is dollars to cents that the bond required will never be furnished unless Chris Von der Ahe places his name on the document. And it would be pretty hard to figure out where Chris could see himself clear in the investment. will be some wriggling in base ball circles up there before the season opens."

Around the Office Stove. Dave Rowe, it is whispered, will enlist in

the regular army, as a sutler. No. Edward, you are right, the league on't lift a leg over a little matter like that They are too magnanimous. They say down in Kansas City that Kid head is so large that it makes him

numpbacked to carry it around. The association has left Columbus, Louis ament of not knowing which is to be kicked

What has become of Old Cy Duryea, anyway! Is it possible that he has given up base ball for good and again tackled that lowa wood pile for a living! If Billy Earle caught 126 consecutive games this season, as some of the modest liars up in Sioux City say he did, he broke

all the catching records up to date, that's Manager Bob Leadley is in Detroit, where an old maiden aunt of his recently died and left him a cool \$50,000. Now, if some of Gus Schmelz's relations would die, there would

be much rejoicing all round. Manager Buckenburger of the Sioux City's will winter in Wheeling, W. Va. His wite's pa owns a bank down there and Buck will put in the inclement months clipping off and stacking up the old gentleman's cou Up in Milwaukee they have named Dahlen their next season's captain, and this

only his second year as a professional ball player. Why, the child hasn't the ability to captain himself, let alone Cushman's terrfers. Oille Beard is to have the management of the Denver club next year. He is already planning to have some Cincinnati boys on his team.—Colorado Sun. Is it possible you people way out there in Colorado arc still dreaming of next season.

Instead of signing Corney, Hutchison, Ryan and others, it is Charite Genins, Nicholson and Van Dyke of Sioux City, the big St. Louis dutchman has entrapped. It begins to look as if Von der Ahe was about to get his long merited deserts—the dinkydink.

Sam Morton of the new Chicago American association club is after Elmer Smith of the

Johnny Speas has been firing off his mouth again. He says that he dould have secured a franchise in the association for the usking. but would not accept one under the condi-tions offered. He did not want to go into a ten or twelve cinb learue, Asither would be buy out Milwaukee, Columbus nor Louis-

Milwaukee's move in signing Dahlen of Chicago was a return compliment to Anson for his having taken Vickery and Schriver from them. The Milwaukoo people vowed at the time they'd get even, and in securing Dahlen they have kept their work.—Sporting Life. If Milwaukoe is allve by the ist of next April she'll be jucky. next April she'll be lucky.

Anson is more consistent on the Sunday paiding tourists started around the world. The Sioux City managers effered the Chi-cago captain \$2,000 the other day to play their team a Sunday game. It was a big temptation at this season of the year, but the Old stan "turned it down." — Sporting Life. The Sioux City managers; \$2,000 for one game! Rats! great big Norways.

"How did Sioux City come to break the national agreement," was asked Ed Swartwood, as he stood stamping to keep warm in front of the headquarters this evening. "They didn't break it," said he quickly. "Just let me tell you how that happened. Mulcahey, one of the leading men in the club, thought he saw a change to pull out of the bought he saw a chance to pull out of the hole he was in, and as the season was over and the players free he arranged the games The players played under the co-operative plan, and while under the Sioux City club name didn't represent the Sioux City club of the Western association. I don't think the league will make a kick about that."—Pittsburg Dispatch.

The Milwaukee club has paid out the pas season \$12,000 for franchises, viz., \$6,000 to Maguire and Quinn for the Western association franchise and players and \$6,000 for the Ameri-can association franchise. This sum, with the amount they lost in the Western association. will foot up to a very comfortable sum. In the Western association the club would get but \$100, the guarantee, away from home while the visitors would earn here and carry away three times as much as they paid the local club; whereas in the American association the home team were able to pay as much as they received. The Bostons and Athletics each got over \$1,000 for their series here. Such is the rot being disseminated by a Milwankee correspondent of the Sporting Life. There wasn't \$1,000 taken in at the gate for the entire Athletic series up there; the Bostons, however, being the first to play there, and he leaders in the race, may have got off with few extra simoleous.

Sioux City, says a correspondent, will hardly see professional base ball next season. Its pennant winners, who also defeated Anson's colts and the St. Louis Browns, are scattered in every direction and signing with other clubs for next year, and a committee of citizens is hustling for funds to meet a deficit of \$1,500, with bills still coming in. Ed Swartwood will not play ball any more, being already engaged as traveling salesman for a cigar house in Pittsburg. Frank Schiebeck, who played at short, has gone to Detroit for the winter. Jee Strauss and Billy Earle have gone to Cinc'anati, Billy Early will probably catch for Boston next season, although Anson made him a handsome offer. Frank Genins is in St. Louis. Billy Hart will pitch for the new Chicago American association team next rear. He is in Cincinnati. George Meakin has signed with Kansas City. Billy Van Dyke and Parson Nicholson will join the St. Louis Browns in the spring. Parson Nich-pleon will attend to business during the win-ter being an owner of a boot and shoe store at Echo, O. Raymond and Red Ehret are still here, and have not yet signed anywhere. Billy O'Brien has gone to Kansas City for the winter.

Whisperings of the Wheel, Billy Schnell has the stuff in him for a very fast safety man. You will hear more of him next season.

Fremont should be boomed for the next meet of Nebraska division of the League of American Wheelmen. Providing the weather is at all lenient the TouristWheelmen will pedal their way to Blair, starting at 7:30 sharp. All cyclists

are invited to attend the run.

of his former speedy pedaling powers, rode the fastest balf mile at the Plattsmouth ournament, and on a safety too!

Several new members were elected to membership in the Tourist Whoelmen at their last meeting. By the way this popular road club seems to gain strengh as the seas wanes, something unusual for a road club. Who would have thought that Wallace Taylor was a "flyer." Well! just a little bit! He galloped away from his field in fine style, winning the half mile safety class race with nands down, and without a moments training

Tom and Sam Patterson did themselves proud last Sunday and they can count on the goodwill and best wishes of the Omaha boys every time. A tournament next season at Plattsmouth would draw the boys out in large numbers.

The Hampton Park track at Springfield seems to be the fastest American course of this day, judging from the records which have been made upon it, for instance quarter nile 33 1-5, half 1:06, three quarters 1:41, mile :15. two miles 4:48 4-5.

Charlie Peabody rode across the bridge over the Platte river on a Paragon safety last Sunday, a feat which has never been performed, to our knowledge, heretofore. The oridge is nearly a mile in length and like all ratiroad bridges, usually, is minus a foot board, one has to bump along over the ties which are placed about two inches apart. He made the trip without a dismount, The result of the Omana Wheel club's high five tournament which is now in progress is anxiously waited for by the club men. Below is given the standing of each player for the first thirty games: Per Cent

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E. B. Smith in the lead, Dawns second and Wolcott lowest average. Seventy games yet to be played. Willie Windle, Americal's fastest racing

man will soon sail for England to have a crack at some of the England records and while there will probably endeavour to lower | Testament says a his own record of 2:15 on the same track that | with 5,642 words.

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Kansas City's. Elmer, however, will be in no hurry to jump into abachemerican association at this particular satage of the game. There is a ball player for 130, and a gentleman, that Elmer Smith. How a

Yankee can really do.

If you had nappened to start from Plattsmouth early, Sunday morning, for the pur-pose of driving to Omaha and would have felt in no particular humor to hurry, you test in no particular humor to hurry, you would have doubtless thought as you wandered along that the entire male population of the metropolis were out awheel and all bound for many contracts. the metropolis were out awheel and all bound for one rendezvous. From 7 o'clock in the moraing until 5 o'clock in the afternoon squads of wheelmen could have been met harrying along toward the pretty little city down the river. The reason for the sudden outpouring of wheelmen was the announcement of a programme of short races under the auspices of the Plattsmouth wheelmen to be held at the driving park. The day was to be held at the driving park. The day was rather raw and chilly yet a large crowd of Omaha wheelmen went down, enjoying both ride and tournament immensely. The races were all hotly contested and interesting Among the prominent cyclists who attended were: Chief Consul Porrigo, Captain Townsend, Lieutenant Couradt and Messrs., Porterfield, McClure, Austin, Siefkin, Blakesley, Alfreds, Livesey and Peabody of the Omana Wiesel curb, Cartain Smith. the Omaha Wheel club; Captain Smith, Flescher, Taylor, Schnell, Potter, E. R. Hollon, Connoran, Burr, Mulhall and Donag hue, of the tourist wheelmen, Messrs, Hen-derson of Omaha and Koen of St. Louis, unattached. The majority returned home on the Chicago express, a few returning as they

Miscellaneous Local Sports. The Canadas, Hutchins and snow geese are dropping in along the Platte bars in large

Dan Baldwin, the Omaha strong man and seavy weight wrestler, has returned from a trip to the coast.

Dick Moore of New Orleans, a middle weight, is in the city ready for an engage-ment with Wilkes, McCoy or any other man of his weight. W. C. Ross, the Council Bluffs sprinter,

was unable to get on a race with Copple, the Bancroft man, and took down his forfeit a day or two since. Wilbur F. Knapp is managing a bicycle

school and riding track at the Mechanics' Pa-villon, San Francisco. The proposed match between Jack Wilkes of St. Louis and Tom Ryan of Chicago, which was to have been arranged for this city, is off, Ryan having signed articles to meet Howson, the Englishman.

A. J. Clarke is preparing for a big wolf chase in the sand hills in the northwest part of the state Thanksglving day. He is the owner of one of the largest and best pack of

And now the Council Bluffs Rifle club says the On aha club is afraid to meet them under established rules, and it looks to a man up a tree as if the Ceuncil Bluffs Rifle club had nit the bull's eye smack in the pupil.

The amateur bykers are talking about getting up a maten race between Will Pixley of this city and Harry Johnson of Minneapolis, to take place some time this month at the Coliseum. The two youngsters are nicely matched in size, weight, age and speed, and would undoubtedly make a great race.

Questions and Answers. SYRACUSE, Neb., Nov. 4.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: Will you please state in Sunday's Bee what has become of Firenzi and is she booked for any of the late fall meets, or has she been retired. Also give a synopsis of her record.—B. T. B.

Ans.—Firenzi will race no more. She has retired from the turf, but will be classed for all time as one of the greatest mares of the American turf. She has met and vanquished all the great horses of her time, with the single exception of Salvator, her stable com-panion. She was truly a champion, and when she is mated with Salvator the produce will be closely watched.

Henry T. and W. H. L.—No bets on the national league championship can be decided until after the pennant has been officially awarded. This will probably be done the coming week at the annual league meeting. GRAND ISLAND, Nov. 3.—To the Sporting Editor of THE REE:—How can lead be removed from the barrels of a shot gun. Enclosed you will find stamp for reply.—M. D.

Aus.—No questions in this department are answered by mail. To clean lead from gun barrels take a small piece of common window glass, pound it up five, then grind it to dust by a continued circular motion of a pestle; What nicer weather can a wheelman ask for than the past month—bright, cool and bracing. Yet how many of Omaha cyclists have taken advantage of it?

Flescher, who by the way hasn't lost a whit in the dust. Another method is, plug the breech end and fill the barrel with paraffin oit; let it stand through the night and wipe out in the morning with an ordinary cleaning rod, tow or flannel capped, when the leading will all come out at the first rub.

OMAHA, Nov. 4 .- To the Sporting Editor o UMAHA, NOV. 4.—To the Sporting Editor of THE BEE: How are standing and running broad lumps measured, heel to heel or toe to heel? Who is a first class boxing teacher in this city? What is the proper way to cut off a bull pup's tail and ears?

A SPORT. Ans,—(1) From toe to heel. (2) Jack Davis. (3) See Norling's manual.

Fred Engier and H. Bock.-You failed to make your statement clear. If Engler was playing Krug 20 to 34, and they stepped playing with the score standing 47 for Eng er and 32 for Krug, the bet is a draw, as the game was not finished.

omana. Nov. 5.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bee.—Will you kindly inform me through the columns of The Suspay Bee who holds the records of "putting up" the ten pound dumb bells and what are the records. Are dogs property in this state? If so, how long have they been considered as such? Answer and oblige an old subscriber.

Ans. -(1) The ten-pound dumb bell was put up 8,431 times in 1 hour 34 minutes by H. Hennocle professional, New York, December 13,1870. (2) Dogs are taxed, but the county atorney has decided that they are not prop-

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Words, Words. A statistician in Paris had the pa-

tience to count the number of words em-

ployed by the most celebrated writers. The works of Corneille do not contain more than 7,000 different words and those of Moliere 8,000. Shakespeare, the most fertile and varied of English authors, wrote all his tragedies and comedies with 15,000 words. and Goethe employ 20,000. "Paradise Lost" only contains 8,000, and the Old Testament says all that it has to say

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