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All That is Fresh and Interesting from the Ball Players' Realm.

NEBRASKA'S GREAT FUTURITY STAKE

Among the Punchers-The Solomons of the Turf-Athletic Swedes-Dog and Gun and Breezy Miscellany.

New YORK, Feb. 29.-To the Sporting Editor of THE BEE: The editor of Bell's Life in reviewing Tom Paddock's pugilistic career, said "his passionate temper had been his bane," and further stated that he had seen him fight a number of rounds steadily with his left, and derive great benefit by doing so, but the moment he got pinked he would instantly change to the two handed style peculiarly his own." Although Paddock began his fistic career before he was out of his teens, he was a twelve stone (168) man in bard condition to begin with and did not grow from a middle to a heavy weight, like

Harry Broome and Jem Mace.
When Tom Sayers (who was eighteen months younger than Paddock) fought Dan Collins in 1850 at ten stone (140 pounds) the fight was intercupted by a magistrate in the ninth round, and he commanded the men to stop fighting, which they did after some re-monstrance from Sayers' noisy followers, amongst whom the championship candidate (Paddock) was offensively conspicuous and vas for defying all law, order, decency and common sense, and then and there, heedless of the consequence, finishing the affair or the presumption that they had a decided ad vantage at the time of the interruption Paddock fought Bendigo the same n he little thought at that time that Savers would be the champion and beat Poulson Jones, the Tipton Slasher and himself some years afterwards (1856-58). Johnny and Harry Broome backed Pad

John y and Harry Broome backed Pad-dock in his championship fight with Bendigo, and they said he showed a great deal of fractiousness and bad temper during his training. There can be little doubt that he was a better man than Bendigo at that time and would probably have won if he had not got irritated into a foul blow by Bendy dropping. He met the Tipton Slasher in Decen per of the same year, but was over-matched. In addition to the Tipton's advantage in In addition to the Tipton's advantage in height and weight, he was decidedly the botter scienced mar. Paddock was a rusher and did not practice retreating tactics. An old ring-goer exclaimed in the first round: "It's any odds on the old man, the young 'un has got his master before him." Bell's Life said Paddock looked of the Gollah breed beside Bennigo, but small before the Tiptoa, and that Tom's yokel like feints were completely out of distance: the feints were completely out of distance; the rush that proved dangerous to Bendigo, old, stale and under twelve stone, was certain de-struction against the bulky and firm stand-ing Slasher, on account of his tact at countering, his superior length of reach, and his immense weight." When the Tipton was walking to his corner at the end of the twenty-seventh round the peppery Paddock ran after him and struck him on the back of the neck. Old Tipton turned appealingly to the referee, who at once decided in his favor. ty-two minutes.) Paddock had fterwards a chance to fight either Tipton or ones a second time and he said "He pre Jones a second time and he said "He pre-ferred Jones." (The easiest job.) And whom he again beat in an hour and a half (dune 1855). Paddock intended to retire then and "Bell's Life said he mi ht safely haue retired with glory," but he had heard that he had been matched with Sayers, Pad-dock staking £150 against £100. Sayers was overjoyed at the prospect of a whirl with Paddock, who was at the time matched with Broome, but Sayers backers positively de-clined to go on with the match until the con-test with Paddock and Broome was decided. test with Paddock and Broome was decided. Bell's Life, in speaking of Sayers afterwards, said in 1856 Sayers flew at high game and was actually matched with Paddock. The police were very busy trying to stop the Tipton Slasher and Paddock from meeting and the reporter said Tipton very prudently rested in his car while they were the stop the police. a place to meet, and he noticed among the crowd running across ploughed fields, etc., the burly figure of the copperfaced Paddock. The mill was fought

moonlight ultimately. A man drew a knife on Paddock in a saloon nim: Tom remarked to Bob Travers, the black pugilist, "Bob, he's stick-fing me," Tom and his assassin were arrested and tried next morning. Paddock after-wards forfeited £80 to the Tipton and came near having to forfeit to Sayers through letting his hasty temper get the better of him, in some words with Aleck Keene, his principal backer. He had a dangerous illness and had been in the hospital the year before ae met Sayers and was stale and no longer the vigorous fresh man he had been.

"The editor said he gained a slight advantage over Sayers in their contest sometimes, but it was very short lived, enough, however, was done to convince us that had he been the Paddock of five years previous, Tom's chances of holding his proud position would have been anything but rosy." Notwith-standing Paddock's staleness he showed all his old gameness and gained the first blood and the first knock down. Poor old Tom had the temerity, when nearly on his last legs, over two years later, to meet the gigantic Sam Hurst, and was knocked out and had his ribs broken by a right hander from the clumsy colossus in ten minutes. Hurst was mer man or blacksmith's helper beighth was six feet two and a half, his shest circumference forty-nine inches, and his usual weight in his clothes when swing-ing the sledge hammer was 260 pounds. "The Staley Bridge Infant" as he was called was cut all to ribbons and beaten into helplessness by the accomplished Jem Mace, in sight rounds, in 1861. Mace in that contest eight rounds, in 1861. Mace in that contes weighed 150 pounds. Sayers and Mace, although only middle weights, could give away lumps of weight, through their skill in dodg-

Hurst and McCoole.

The Tipton fought a draw and was beaten Charles Freeman, the American giant, ho was ten inches taller and seventy pounds who was ten inches taher and seventy pounds heavier (1842). Freeman's height was six feet ten and a haif, and his fighting weight was 252 pounds. I saw Freeman and Count set to in a theater in 1842. The giant knocked big Ben down by a left hander on his pug nose. Count placed one hand on the floor and sprang to his feet with great muscular agility like a flash. Big Ben was more company to the second secon agility like a flash. Big Ben was more com-pactly built than Freeman and thicker in proportion to his height. His knotty, curly head and short bull neck were firmly imbeded in a pair of herculean shoulders and his broad, deep chest and long, muscular limbs gave him a most formidable appearance. His heighth was six feet two and one-half inches.

ing blows, whereas both Paddock and Jones

me to grief in their contests with Tipton.

"The Tout."

Many of our readers have at various times been impressed with the idea that their judgment of the merits of certain thoroughpreds could not be very much improved upon, yet it often appears that their confi dence is decidedly rattled, to say the least, when they approach one of the numerous pert gentry who infest the race track and sool room. This class of precious ones are pool room. This class of precious ones are commonly known as "Touts" and the breadth and depth of the knowledge they claim to possess, passeth the understanding of all ordinary mortals. Confident of their own skill and cunning in unraveling the knotty question of owner and trainer in entering "How Quick" in a half-mile dash with 105 pounds up, ten pounds less than the same animal carried when he met and defeated such cracks as "Get There" and "So Slow," by ten lengths in the "chestnut stakes" of 1891, does not always secure the willing ear of the intended victim, but our Tout is, however, equal to any or all emergencies let them come from any quarter. He then under pledge of the utmost secrecy informs his patient that the rubber in the next stable has been watching the movements of his neighbors for some time past; that he (the rubber) had himself timed the horse at break of day, and of his own knowledge could swear that the triple booded and blanketed animal that flashed past his hiding place carried the remarkable weight of 140 pounds, and actually made the half mile in forty-seven seconds, really breaking the record of forty-six seconds, considering the weight carried, and that they would be in it for a "killing." To prove that he bad not tied to him he would be willing to show him just where his friend was in hiding, and the stop watch used on the interesting occasion.

If his superior knowledge does not overamonly known as"Touts" and the breadth

come the timidity of the man of wealth, Per some the limidity of the man of weatin, i ersistence gains the day, and \$10 "going coming and running all day" (as our modest
friend Jack Morrison puts it) at the comfortable odds of ten, four and two is soon inscribed on one of the nicely tinted and soroilbedecked pasteboards and safely tucked
away awaiting (and alack and alas some are still awaiting the final moment when the announcement is trumreted forth "So Slow" wins, and the time given as fifty-seven seconds. "How quick" fluishing last

in a field of ten. Now an ordinary every day business man would at once come to the conclusion that this prodigious failure would secure, at least, exemption from this particular evil for the balance of the day, but, again he appears beore him, still confident and with excuses and sympathy in such overwhelming abund ance that the tortured one instead of murdering the wrotch outright begins in a measure to believe that the Tout has been ure to believe that the Tout has been wronged and that he himself is the miserable aggressor, and to clear his conscience at once gives himself up body, soul and what is nore necessary, his purse, and the game

and the game goes merrily on.

All cases are not quite so hopeless in their results. Many of these persons have for years been regular habitues of the track and pool rooms and are quite as likely to give you a good thing as any information you might be able to secure through the more wealthy class of these averages. he more wealthy class of these experts.

They are close observers, watching carafully the position of the horses in every race, noting their ability as weight carriers over the different distances; the effect of dickey legs and bleeding nostrils on track of fast and slow degree, criticising with the eye of a judge their capabilities to battle with the judge their capabilities to battle with the slow deep dust; the sloppy hard; the pastern deep and the sticky, holding mud of the vari-ous race courses throughout the country. Many are well fitted for a more lucrative

mode of existence than the uncertainties of race tracks and pool rooms, but the fascina-tion for the thoroughbred has become too deeply rooted to be hastily torn up, and they remain a distinct and unique class, whose crowning glory is the name by which they are known the world over—the "Tout."

J. S. C. Taber.

Tit-Tattle of the Hing. What a how would have gone up from the Ryan contingent all over the country if it had been Danny Needham instead of Ryan who flunked in the great welterweight fight at New Orleans last Monday night. In the morning on the day of the contest a bulletin was sent out saying that Tommy was in the fullest flush of condition and that he had in soak for Danny one of the most thorough drubbings presumptuous pugilist ever received. This set the Chicago crowd, who were backing Ryan, tooth, mouth money and toenail to plunging and it is reasonable to suppose succeeded in placing the most of their stuff, as Needham's adherents were no

their stuff, as Needham's adherents were no scarce quantity by any means. In the meantime Needham himself, who was as strong and elastic as a piece of rubber, was the most confident and eazer individual you ever saw. He urged his friends that here was their opportunity to make a ten strike, that he couldn't possibly be in better fix and an interposition of bly be in better fix, and an interposition of providence alone could prevent him from turning the tables on Ryan. The latter's backers, too, became cognizant of Dauny's vertowering confidence, and while it have had nothing whatever to do with Ryan's onsils, it is quite certain it made a number of the fellows about his quarters exceeding y sick. And so the great fight never came off. Ryan's backers presented a physician's certificate instead of Tommy himself, and the assembled sports were compelled to find salve in an impromptu mill between Neednam and young Jack Burke, the latter provng but little better than a punching bag for the St. Paul boy.

In this city where Needham is well known and extremely popular, he was a big favorite in his match with Ryan, and the disappoint-ment at their failure to meet was of the reenest kind.

Dick Moore scored a most creditable vic-tory in defeating Paddy Cumings at Dubuque last Saturday night. The two fought a draw in St. Paul a year ago, and the consensus of opinion at the time was that Cumings of pinion at the time was that Cumings was too big and strong for Moore. Dick, however, evidently differed with these sa ants of fistic capabilities, for on Saturday night last he gave away sixteen pounds, then went in and in a fearful slogging match of sixteen rounds put the big Irishman out.

Dick Moore is in the city anxious for a contest with any man in his class in the country. Cummings, the man he defeated at try. Cummings, the man ne deleased at Dubuque Saturday night, has challenged him for a finish fight for \$250 a side and the entire gate, the fight to come off either in of four weeks Moore has accepted, but no arrafor the mill have as yet been made accepted, but no arrangements

The Black Pearl received another very thorough wholloping out in Frisco last Mon-day night. Charlle Turner, the Stockton colored pug, turned the trick. It was a trem-endous fight, however, and the Pearl was punched out of all semblance to bumanity.

Hundreds of the best judges in the country went wrong in picking Maher as a winner over Fitzsimmons last Wednesday night, but right here in Omaha the Fitzsimmons men on the night of the fight were largely in the majority, as the betting at the Diamond inlicated. Maher quit.

Billy O'Donneli of this city and Jim Daly of Burlington, Ia., fight in an ice house at Covington, this state, this evening.

The Black Pearl received the kibosh from Turner out in 'Frisco last Monday night in thus wise, says the Chronicle: "The fight thus wise, says the Chronicle: "The fight ended in the nineteenth round, and very quickly, too, for after a brief rally Turner ducked a hot left and returned the compli-ment with a heavy right on the point of the jaw which brought the Pearl to the boards. the lay there for considerably over the allot-ted ten seconds, when his friends dragged him to his corner. Turner was quite un-touched and apparently as fresh as paint, while it took the Pearl some minutes to reover and leave the ring.

The Nebraska Futurity Stake. The Nebraska Futurity Stake offered by the Syracuse, Neb., Driving Park association is the most promising turf event the state has ever been connected with. Secretary D. F. Hill writes that the entries are coming in daily. California, Kansas, Iowa, Nebraska, Colorado, Tennessee, Kentucky, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Illinois, Maine, Now York, Indiana and Massachusetts have made

York, Indiana and Massachusetts have made nominations. The following is a partial list of the horses nominated:

Messrs. Brasfield & Samnell, Lexington, Ky., nominate Bonnie McGregor, 2:13½, by gobert McGregor, 2:17½, dam Fannie V. heelock, by Reconstruction.

Alfred Calony, Forgus Falls, Minn.; Robert Red 15395, by Red Wilkes, dam Sally Brass, by Geo, Wilkes,

W. L. Barkley, South Elkhorn, Ky.; Red Chief, by Red Wilkes, dam Maud Muller, by Clark Chief.

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E. G. Chrisman, Nicholasville, Ky.; Ogdenburg, 2:28½, by Mambrine Patchen, dam by Orange Blossom, 2:26½.

L. C. Judy, Fisher, Ill.; Sopticus 16098, by Belmont 64, dam Sonnet, by Bourbon Chief 383; same dam by Edwin Forrest.

Messrs. Granam & Conley, Muir. Ky.; Constantine, 2:10½, by Wilkes Boy, 2:24, dam Kincora, by Mambrine Patchen. This grandly bred horse sold recently for \$27,000 at Brasfield's sule.

W. J. Dyer, Lancaster, Wis.; Cedarwood.

at Brasheld's sale.

W. J. Dyer, Lancaster, Wis.; Cedarwood, 2:2914, by the great Nutwood, 2:1834, dam Four Lines, dam of Wooding, 2:2614, (as a 3-year-old(; Knox, 2:2514; Happy Thought, 2:2214, and Three Lines, 2-year-old trial,

D. Cameron, Le Crescent, Minn.; Oh So 16738, by Nutwood, dam So So, 2:1734, by George Wilkes, 2:22. So So is dam of All So 2:2034, and Roaveso, 2:284, Mr. L. A. Ragsdale, Clarksville, Tenn.; Re-Election, 2:274, by Electioneer, dam Lady Russell, by Harold; second dam Miss Russell,

A. K. Guerne, Lexington, Ky.; Atfred G.,

sell.

A. K. Guerne, Lexington, Ky.; Atfred G., 2:19½, by Anteeo, 2:16½, dam Rosa B., by Speculation 928; second dam by Alexander. Dixhana stock farm, Lexington, Ky.; Acolyte 7412, record 2:21, by Onward, dam Lady Alice, by Almont 33. Acolyte is the sire of Vatican (3), 2:27½; Promoter (2), 2:28, and Position, 2:22½.

J. C. Lineman, Lima, O.; Alphonso, by Baron Wilkes, 2:18, dam the great broodmare, Alma Mater.

Dyer & Cartsr, Lancaster, Wis.; Alester 16172, by Lord Russell, dam by Alice West, 2:28, by Almont, 33.

W. K. Ord, Kingston, O.; Elbertle, by Egbert, dam Armanda, by Blackwood 74; second dam by Abdallan 15.

A. Y. Art, Knoxville, Ia.; Rex Trombone (3), 2:32, No. 12348, by Dictator 113, dam by King Rene 1778; second dam by George Wilkes.

G. N. Leavitt, Boston, Mass.; Parker Gun (2), 2:45½, by the great Jay Bird, sire of

Allerton, 2:094, dam Widow's Mite, by Waveland Chief; second dam Tansey, by George Wilkes. She is dam of Butterfly and Eagle Bird. C. M. Dunlap, Jacksonville, Ill.; Motor, 3914, by Onward, dam Grissilda, by Wil-

2:29/4, by Onward, dam Grissilda, by William Rysdyk.

Alfred Colony, Fergus Falls, Minn., has another entry in Axminister, 2:23/4, by Wilton, 2:19, dam Louisa, sister to Queen Wilkes, 2:26/4, by George Wilkes.

John Griffin, Hornellsville, N. Y., nominates two; Ashman, 2:19/4, by Sherman, 2:23/4, dam Hattie, by Andy Johnson; Horgall Wilkes, 2:27/4, by Red Wilkes, dam 2:23%, dam Hattie, by Andy Johnson, the nell Wilkes, 2:27%, by Red Wilkes, dam Lanra, by Captain Sykes; second dam Mambrins (dam of Hambrino, 2:21%, sire of Wildbrino, 2:19%; Delmarch, 2:11%, and

fourteen others.)
As this is only a very small number of nominations already received for this great Futurity stake, it will be seen that the breeders are up with the times, and intend to make the trotting horse and his get more

Didn't Like the Able Judges. Омана, March 3, 1892,-То the Sporting Editor of THE BEE: In the interests of fair play and athletics in general, I would direct your attention to the conduct of the managers and judges of the armory contest, espec alty in the mile walk event.

I am aware the managers had a deal to contend with in bringing their sports to a successful issue on so small a track, but that is no excuse for partial judgment to some, and foul play to others. In the one mile walk there was one man who was badly abused. I refer to Collier. This man took the lead from the start, and led for the first naif mile. welking strictly and fairly, whilst every other man on the track was simply running, as was admitted by the judges, who cautioned every one of them (Collier excepted) several

action of the judges to their ignorance of the laws of heel-and-toe walking or to say they were staunch, true men who would stop at nothing when their friends needed their as sistance. I take it as the former. It seems the more charitable view and for their information I will just give them a hint about the laws of cautioning. (I don't refer to the way you would know a man was running. All the judges know that last night. They couldn't but know it), when a man breaks in walking he i when a man oreass in walking he is cautioned, and should he again break he is cautioned by being stopped and turned around. Now should he repeat the offense he is ordered from the track. Now in the armory contest these laws were altogether ignored by the judges. All they seemed to know about cautioning was to say, "keep down, keep down," which every one of them said at least a dozen times to every man ex-cept Collier. But here it did not end. Col-lier had the race well in hand despite all the running, had not two of the three given him to understand on asking, that the man who ran past him for the lead (and who was subsequently awarded the race), was disqualified. Collier judged his race from this point to the end as if this man was out of the race. He naturally believed the judges, but it seems they wanted to see who would come in for the medal before they vould decide whether a man was running or not. Moreover there was one individual who assumed the whole responsibility of judging the race, and finally awarded it while the judges was at the other end of the course. Now was this fair! Or what were judges placed around the track for! I you think the judges who cautioned every man so often (Collier excepted) might if they were allowed time, have a material influence on the decision? As it was, one o them who saw the mistake attempted to mend matters consoling Collier by saying he was the only one was walked, and only made

mitherto I have only stated bare facts concerning the gross foul play to Collier. But these facts, taken into consideration with a few more little incidents, give matter. a very ugly appearance indeed. From the first the managers and judges and competitors (but I don't mind them, it was only natural on their part) were prejudiced against this man Collier. They charged him with being a professional because he walked a race (confined to amateurs) in the Coliseum. They objected to him on the ground of entering under a pseudonym, but that counts nothing when it was a scratch race. Finally they said he was not entered, but an inwestigation of the honorable secretary's manu overruled that objection. they suddenly allowed him to walk, evidently determined that that was all the good it would

support athletics. It is all very well to give a contest and charge no entry fees, but that's no excuse for dispensing with fair judgment, and I would suggest in the event of another contest coming off at the armory they would anvertise it as "a confined one winners," and not mislead the amateur ath-letes of the city (and then insuit them) by advertising it as an "open contest." Yours S. WATSON, 1322 Capitol avenue.

No Talking Back This Year. Another good change in the code of laws roverning base ball games is that fortifying the umpire against annoyance from kicking players and bull-headed captains. As he always was, he is to continue as sole and absolute judge of all plays, and in no instance, nor under any circumstances will any player be allowed to question the correctness of his decision. If any player leaves his position in the field, on the bases or bench, with the single exception of the cap tain, and he to show the playing rules only he will be fined, an arbitrary duty imposed upon the umpire. Should a manager or clut officer presume to enter the field on any occasion in dispute, the game must be given

to the opposing club.

This is undoubtedly one of the best changes that has been made in the base ball code for several years, as it relieves the spectator absolutely from the harrowing scene of an umpire surrounded by two wrangling teams during the progress of a game, and does away with all the senseless kicking that has hitherto marked all close games. Another thing, it shortens a regular contest by fully ten minutes, which is a good deal to many patrons of the game.

More Players Than Places. L. C. Krauthoff of the players' committee of the new Western league, writes that the committee has been overwhelmed with applications from ball tossers who are anxious to link their fortunes with those of the new or-ganizations this season. Friday Secretary Williams sent Mr. Krauthoff about fifty ap-plications for him to pass upon, and this lot increased the total applications to consider-

ably more than the number needed by the eight cluos. About half of the applications heretofore were from rising players in the smaller leagues, but now the players in last year's Western association are senging in their terms.

their terms.

The salaries are very moderate, considering the fancy figures they have been accustomed to, and some of the old players who have been tearing the air into shreds with their howls against the new plan are now meekiy asking Secretary Williams for quite modest salaries. Among these is Larry Twitchell, who a few weeks ago was declaring that he would never play for less than \$300 a month. Mr. Krauthoff stated yesterday that, on account of the unexpected num ber of applications, none would be received after March 1, and he advised all players who have not sent in terms to get inside before the door is closed. fore the door is closed.

Amateur Athletics.

There has been talk for some time among the athletes of the city to hold an open contest in which all amateurs might try their prowess. This has taken active form and will be held under the auspices of the Young Men's Christian association in Exposition hall March 24. The events will be:
Pole vaulting, hitch and kick, standing hop,
step and jump; putting sixteen-pound shot,
three broad jumps and standing high jump.
A number of men have already signified
their intentions of entering and it is hoped
that every club and turning society in the
city, South Omaha and Council Bluffs will
be represented. It is an all round contest
and the three first men will receive suitable
medals. Entries must be made to W. S.
Sheldon at Young Men's Christian association, or G. T. Zummerman at First National
bank, before March 18. This promises to be
the greatest athletic event of the season and
every one interested in clean athletics should
bear in mind the date. position ball March 24. The events will be:

The Swedish Athletic Club. The Swedish Athletic ctub of Omaha and South Omaha organized February 25 with forty-two members. They have rented the

second story over 1415 fFMrnam street for a spreement is adopted before taking steps to gymnasium until a more sultable location can be had. At present they are busy fixing up everything there and will be ready next week for active work. The teaching will be after Prof. Ling's system of Stockholm, Sweden. The club will incorporate shortly, and fencing will be one of the great features.

The officers will be seet features.

The officers will be selected every six months—March I and September I. Officers elected for the first term are as follows: President, Albert Sjoberg; vice president, Andrew Neyman; seefstary, Olof Brown, financial secretary, Jacob Jacobson, treasures, Charles Peterson; board of directors, Hakan Erickson, John Erickson, Ed. Green, John Charles Peterson; board of directors, Hakan Charles Peterson; board of directors, Hakan Erickson, John Erickson, Ed Green, John Benson, John Lund, Teachers—Mr. Nils Lundgren and C.

Malmberg, both from Vendes artillery of Stockholm, Sweden.

The Old Rule Stands. The attempt to change the rule on balls and strikes resulted in failure, as it should have done. The great difficulty with the men who have the moulding and manipulation of the national game in their hands is their proneness to tamper with the rules. They never seem satisfied to let well enough slone, and at each recurring annual meeting a great deal of tinkering is done. This spring it was the above mentioned rule. Some authorities thought by thus increasing the bandicap on the pitcher it would increase the batting and in turn enhance the liveliness of the game. But it was an untenable theory for it would have had just the contrary el The batsman would have had one les swipe at the ball, but an increased chance to reach his base on the pitcher's inability to put them over. This, however, would have added precious little to the excitement of the game, and it is an exceedingly gratifying thing to know that the old rule stands.

Onto the Foxy Batter.

The tricky batter has had his chances for cunning work curtailed by the recent modification of the rules. Hereafter the man at the bat will be denied the opportunity to intentionally foul a ball in order that the base runner may advance. Neither will there be any such thing as a blocked ball by reason of the same striking the batsman's club when in position. He must mind his eyes, to de seend to nautical parlance, or he will be tossed out at first on one of those so-called inintentional love taps. The new rule pro rides that a ball so delivered that it touche vides that a ball so delivered that it touches the bat of the batsman in position shall be called a batted ball and in play. Another new thing is that a ball striking a fence less than 345 feet from the home plate, entitles the batsman but to two bases only.

Mauager Rowe on the Agreement. Manager Rowe in speaking of the new ational agreement last night said:

"It is a vast improvement over Mr. Rogers caricature, and really as liberal as I expected. While the tax levied on us for pro-tection might have been a trifle lower, as i is, it is not exorbitant. In return we are to receive \$1,000 for every man the big league irafts from our ranks and they can do no drafting during the playing season. It would be nonsensical to impute to the league any hing but the most generous interest in th Western. We will rank second in point of importance, and will be treated with all the respect and liberality our position entitles us. The magnates of the big league are thorough business men and look further than day ahead."

Where Judgment is Needed. Billy Harrington, an ex-alleged base ball manager, has applied to President Williams for a position on the Wostern league's umpire staff, but President Williams ought to understand, wif he does not, that this is an era of weeding out, instead of cultivating the incompetent, the tough and the utterly no good, in the base hall watermeion patch. No Billy Harringtons are needed, and they should not allowed to break into the league in any

position under any circumstances.

President Williams, Lalso notice in one of the Columbus papers, is likely to appoint Charley Jones on the staff. This would be a mistake. Jones' eyesight is bad, and he is otherwise unfitted for the position. One hundred years or so ago he used to be a sol erable ball player, but an umpire, never The First in the Field.

Among the amateur teams in this city this season who will make it exceedingly warm for any amateur team in this state will be Hayden Bros'. club, composed of the following well known players with the positions

they will play:
Jack Carrigau, second base: Barney Hawley, right; Billy Wigman, middle; Ed. Snyder, pitcher; Charles Bowman, first base;
Dick Purceil, short stop; Ben Nelson,
nitcher; Ben Swartz, catcher; Harry Ben Swartz, catcher; Harry third base; Horace Butier, left; Egan, extra.

Hayden Bros, may well feel proud of these boys, as they are all gentlemen and first class ball players, and the club that beats them will have to more than play ball. Jack Kelly will manage the team.

Poet Burns is booked for Quincy this year. Old Joe Ardner comes back into the West

Even the great Jerry Denny wants a job in the Western. Kid Nichols, who has been wintering in-Kansas City, started for Boston yesterday. John T. Brush says he cannot see how the

Catcher Grim is being depended upon by the Louisville club to hold Meekin's cannon ball delivery. Patsey Bolivar has ordered his Forest wd to be on hand as early as one reek from Tuesday.

Guy Hecker and Bob Emslie are likely andidates on the Western's umpire list. Good men, both of them. Oliver Perry Beard, famed for his vicory in Erie's billowy bosom, has signed to cap

ain and manage the Spokane club. Georgie Bauswine, the former umpire whom McCormick smashed with his um-orella, has signed a Western league contract. Sid Farrar, the old Philadelphia first base-man, who will be seen in the Western this year, is Frank Selec's business partner in

Seattle has set up a hely howl about Pitts-burg's signing Winfield Scott Camp, the Omaha boy, but nobody seems to be paying any attention to it. Wally Fessenden has applied to President

Williams for an umpireship. The Western had one dose of Fessenden and he should be let severely alone. Billy Traffley will catch and manage the

Deadwood team this year. They are stuck on the old vet up in the hills and will set him up in business. Manager Rows says that every man on the team this year will have to let out his best licks from the start or their places will soon oe filled by capable meny

Cincinnati will carry a toad this season in Eddie Burke and Jocko Halligan, both of whom will be usek in the Western league before the season closes.

Harry Raymond is another former sup-posed luminant who has sent in his terms to this league. The whirling of time do bring sbout some funny things: Bill Hassamer, the talk ungainly outfielder of the Kansas City team in 1888, is said to have developed into one of the best short-stops on the Pacific coast.

Secretary Williams of the Western lesgue has established an office in room 12, Hayden block, Columbus, where sell communications should be addressed to him. Ed Cartwright, who was once with "der

boss," is foreman of one gang of ironworkers on the new United States warship Monter ey, now building at San Francisco. Unquestionably the smallest professional ground in the country is the park of the Min-neapolis club. It is called the "cigar box" by the players, and seems no larger

Idlejag writes a friend that he is glad to get back in the Western league, even at the cut rates. There is still a large majority of the old team waiting and longing for some-Manager Buckenberger has fitted up a

gymnasium for the Pittsburg players at the Pittsburg ball park and has installed a pugi-ist—one "Reddy" Mason—as general athletic instructor. Billy Klusman, who filled engagements as second baseman for the Boston league team, the St. Louis Browns and about all the

minor league clubs in the world, is a police-man in Cincinnati. Descen Jimmy Whitfield announces: "The Western league is progressive and does not propose to wait until the proposed national

ward making up its clubs."

There are a large number of old who, as yet have failed to tumble to the true conditition of things, and they will continue to procrastinate until the hod, the pick or the shover will be their only hope.

A St. Paul correspondent writes that Walter Wilmot positively refuses to play in Chi He is quoted as saying that he would rather plow than play with Anson, and it won't be many years before he is plowing for a livelihood altogether.

Tommy Levett, the young man who received only \$45 a game for pitching very poor ball for Omaha once upon a time, has the suits and refuses to sign with Brooklyn. Its only a bluff, however, and Tommy will be in line ere many days more clapse. Frank Shugart is a boy whose mother is

very poor. She lives near Dubois, Pa., in a modest cabin which has been brightened since Shugart began his career on the diamond. From poverty they stepped to what was surely affluence for them, says Mulford. Old Cy Sutcliffe blames all his misfortunes to one incident. When he first visited Chi-cugo he rode in on a load of hay.—Chicago Times. On, no, that isn't it. Old Cy is too smart not to know that it was his contemptible action in flocking with Shannon last July, that compassed his downfail.

Charley Jones, the old ball player and e Players' league umpire, has received an offer from Secretary Williams to umpire in the Western league. He may accept it.—Ex-change. It looks very much as if President Williams intends to distribute the bulk of his plums to that old played out Cincinnati and Columbus crowd.

Pipp, Anson's new man, was born Brighton in 1866, and has played ball for tweeve years, part of the time professionally but usually as a recreation from business cares. Pipp is 6 feet 2 inches in height, weighs 205 pounds, and would do for a statue of the perfect athlete. He is in the hard-ware business in Kalkaska.

Shoch, Carney, Campion and Griffith, all old Milwaukee players, have sent in their applications to President Williams of the Western league, and in their application each stated that he would prefer to be assirned to the Cream City, but they will take their chances with the rest and are as likely to come to Omaha as they are to go to Mil-

Brooklyn's new pitcher, Stein, is a quiet German boy of excellent habits and good disposition. Manager Ward has great faith hat Stein will prove a strong card. Bob Leadley signed him for Brooklyn.—Brooklyn Eagle. And well may Ward have faith in Stein, for he is undoubtedly one of the mos promising twiriers in the country. He did reat work here last fail.

The Kansas City club has telegraphed its ultimatum to Jimmy Manning, and if the popular player does not accept the club's terms President Speas will cast a line out for another manager. Indeed, Mr. Speas already has his eyes on another man for manager, and the event that Jimmy prefers pills to base; ball, a competent man to lead the team wil

be secured just the same. Pitcher Killen is still at variance with the Washington club on the salary question. Killen has written to President Young complaining that Washington is trying to cut own his salary \$250, but he failed to state hat he himself wanted \$500 more than had been getting. Manager Barnie says he is ready to pay him what he was getting in Milwaukee, and he must take that or warm the bench.—Washington Post. And that is more than he's worth.

State League Notes. The salary of the umpires will be \$75 per

There is an opening for an experienced manager at Fremont. A cash prize of \$500 will be given to the ennant winners, which will insure good, hard ball playing.

The league will have the National league's protection, which will prevent players from jumping to the other leagues. The Grand Island Street Railway compan will furnish that city with a park. W. A.

Rourke will manage the team. Hastings or Kearney should not fail to nter this league. The size of either place would assure a good attendance to games. The Nebraska State league has been formed with Beatrice, Fremont, Platts-mouth, Grand Island Lincoln and Norfolk. Fremont has fine grounds, centrally located, good street car accommodations, and

is one of the best drawing towns in the In case Hastings or Kearney do not put in a team Norfolk will come in. Th anxious for a membership and have the necessary funds.

The salary limit is fixed at \$550, with a guarantee of \$25 per game to each visiting team and the holiday receipts divided equally, same as in the Western. The teams will probably be managed by

Rourke, Grand Island; Coman, Fremont; Gatewood, Beatrice; Patterson, Platts; mouth; Houseworth, Lincoln, and Lockwood, Beatrice will call a meeting in regard to raising the necessary money for their grounds at once. The Motor company will

enclose the grounds, and it will, w completed, be the finest park in the state. Fremont has organized her club and elected the following officers: E. N. Morse, president; Gus Reitz, vice president, and George Hickok, secretary and treasurer. That city is more enthusiastic on base ball than they

have been in several years. The Reach ball was adopted, and the following colors for suits for the different teams were settled upon: Grand Island, blue; Fre-mont, gray; Lincoln, white; Beatrice, black Plattsmouth, blue and maroon; Norfolk, not settled upon.

Norfolk is not sure of entering the league as yet, and will not sign players for several weeks. If Hastings or Kearney enters, Nor-folk will be dropped on account of the extra traveling expenses. They have given the league ten days to consider their entering. Up to date the following players have been signed for the different teams: Lincoln, Hillis and Castone; Fremont, Finch and Pat terson; Grand Island, Hoffmaster, Rourke and Wood; Beatrice, Taylor, Gatewood, Van Arnam, Kennedy, Jones, Thompson, Edinger and Howe; Plattsmouth, Miller, Maupin and Patterson.

The different cities will use their last The different cities will use their last year's grounds, with the exception of Grand Island and Beatrice. The Grand Island Motor company has offered \$800 toward new grounds. What does the Omaha Street railway think of that? The location is settled ipon and work will be commenced on them next week.

The officers of the league are T. J. Hickey of Lincoln, president; S. C. Coman of Fre-mont, secretary and treasurer. Mr. Hickey mont, secretary and treasurer. Mr. Hickey will be found a good man for the presidency of the league, as he has had much experience in the league, being in 1890 the president of the Lincoln team. Mr. Coman will also be found a good man for secretary and treasurer, having had wide experience with ball

The work of organizing the several teams in the new state league is progressing favor-ably. Secretary Coman will forward contracts to the different clubs in a few days, when the work of signing players will begin in earnest. Soveral of the clubs have sein earnest. Soveral of the transfer as including them as soon as they receive the contracts. Plattsmouth and Beatrice are already equipped

Miscellaneous Local Sports, Wild geese have come in by thousands on the upper Missouri. Sam Hurst, the Iowa balk-line champion, is in the city in search of suckers.

Frank Keniston is the undisputed billiard champion of the state of Nebraska. Gus Icken and Carl Hoffman are out on the Henry Fry of York recently sold one of his handsomest roadsters to Mr. Pearson of Grant, this state, for \$1,000.

Billy Paxton purchased of John D. Creighon last week, a suckling, by Nutwood, dam akeland's Abdallah, for \$1,000. Will Simeral and his hammerless Lefever are up at Bancroft with the hope of making it merry for the sprigs and redheads this

Charlie Ashlager, the Oklahoma cyclone, won the six-day cycle chase at 'Frisco, beat-ing Willie Wood by half a wheel length. Jack Prince came in fourth. The Brunswick-Balke-Collender Billiard

company is making preparations for a grand bowling tournament to be held in this city the latter part of this month. G. M. Hunt of Hebron, Neb., will train his string of trotters over the Abliene, Kan., track this season. This track is being fitted for some great events this year

F. D. Dowd and Charlie Hunt have returned

quarry on the Piatte. They had a thrilling experience by being caught in an ice gorge, and escaped by the merest chance.

William Schnell of the Young Men's Christian association and Harry Mulhall of the Omaha Athletic club and Bob Burns of the Young Men's institute each won a handsome gold' medal at the Omaha Guards' athletic contest last Wednesday evening.

In a letter to the sporting editor from Ho prings, Minnie Cahn says: Since my arrival here I have met quite a number of prominent people, emong whom I might mention Inspec-tor Byrnes of New Yorn; Phil Daly, the big Saratoga sport; Buck Ewing, the prince of ball players; Jack McAuliffe, the light-weight champion; Pittsburg Phil, the race hoss plunger, and any quantity of small fry."

"Chick," H. B. Kennedy's champion Irish setter, was stolen from Mr. Kennedy's premises some ten days ago. "Chick" is undoubtedly the finest red setter owned in this city, and one of the most thoroughly broked dogs in the country. As a duck retriever it would be hard to find his equal. He was valued at \$500, and already Mr. Kennedy has expended over \$100 in the effort to recover him.

Winslow Wirkes, the sensational horse of 1890, arrived in Omaha last week from Lexington, Ky., where he had been turned out to winter. He is the fastest Nebraska bred forse, having a 4-year-old record of 2:141 which he made in the third heat of one of the most hotly contested races ever paced over the Lexington track, beating a field of agod horses. Had he not taken the prevail-ing horse disease last season he would, without a doubt, have lowered his record a few seconds. He is richly pred, being by Black Wilkes, dam by Almont (33). He is owned by Thomas Collopy of Sixteenth and Vinter

Dr. Isadore Gluck is the possessor of one of the handsomest and most valuable English setters in the west, in his white and black and tan Rabelais. He is tough and healthy, about medium sized, and when matured will weigh probably fifty-five pounds. He has dash, speed and endurance of the highest order, ranges wide, stays out at his work, quarters the ground well and points nicely. quarters the ground well and points nicely. If superb broeding has any influence in the making of a dog, Rabelais promises to be one of the finest dogs in this country. He is the grandson of the world renowned Rod-erigo. He has a double Gladstone-Count origo. He has a double Gladstone-Count Noble cross; a double Leicester-Dart cross through Clys, the dam of Coleman's London and also the dam of Twin Maud; a double cross of Llewellen's famous dog, Dan. Four Rob Roy-Jurer crosses. Three weeks ago the Blue Ridge kennels bought Autonio at the price of \$2,000. Rabelais has practically the same pedigree as Antonio, and there is no reason why he should not, if properly handled, be his equal. Rabelais was bred by J. Forder of Sterling, Ill.

Local shooters were highly clated Friday norming over the news from Chicago that Charlie Budd, alias, Chippie, of Des Moines, had defeated the conqueror of Brewer, the former champion of the world, Edward Fulford. The score was 93 to 81 out of one hun-

Following is the score:

Summary-Dead out of bounds: Budd, 8 Fulford, 10. Used second barrel: Budd, 74 Fulford, 64. Left quarterers: Budd, 45 fulford, 48. Right quarterers: Budd, 11 Fulford, 12. Drivers: Budd, 32; Fulford 31. Incomers: Budd, 12; Fulford, 9. Budd beat the eastern crack again on Fri-

two-thirds of the 100 birds were shot at. Questions and Answers.

day, Fulford throwing up the sponge before

Questions and Answers.

LITCHFIELD, Neb., March 1.—To the Sporting Editor of The Ber: To settle a wager please answer the following: In a game of fifteenball pool, ist, if any part of the cue bail when in hand is laid with any part over the line is it without or within? 2d. Has the cue ball the same privilege as the object ball?—Clarence Littielield. Ans.—(1) if less than half is over the line it s "in." (2.) It has SIOUX CITY. Ia. March 2.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bre: Will you please give in SUNDAY'S Bre a receipt for browning gun bar-

Ans.-Take I ounce of muriate tincture of unce spirits of wine. ate of mercury. If ounce of strong nitric acid once of blue stone, I quart of water. Mix well and allow to stand thirty days to amal gamate. After the oil or grease has been re moved from the barrels by lime, the mixture is laid on lightly with a sponge every ten hours. It should be scratched off with a steel wire brush night and morning until the barrels are dark enough. Then the acid is destroyed by pouring boiling water on the barrels and rubbing them until nearly cool. If the barrels are laminated stee! do not di-

ute the acid so much. OMAHA, March 3.—To the Sporting Editor of THE HEE: Will you publish in SUNDAY'S HEE how the base ball season will be opened this year, the west in the east, or the east in the west, and when will the season start?—Impa-

Ans,-(1) The schedule has not been announced as yet. (2) About April 28.

There are letters at the sporting department of THE BEE for ball players Harry Gatewood and John Patterson, and a letter for Charlie Abbey at Frank Bandle's OMAHA, March 2.—To the Sporting Editor of THE BEE: Please snswer the following ques-tion in your Sunday's issue: In a gaine of high five, twenty-one points, three parties playing: A is 24 B 18 and O 0. C bids 2, A makes low and B high, jack, game, which wins?—F. H.

Ans.-A. SOUTH OMAHA, March 2—To the Sporting Eiltor of THE BER: I know they are chestnuts, but hope you will please answer the following questions: How old is John L Sullivan, where was he born and what is his height? What was his first notable performance? Did no defeat Aif Greenfield once or twice?—Billy.

Ans.—John L. was born in Boston October 15, 1858. His first notable performance was his defeat of old Joe Goss, at Masonic hall, Boston, in the spring of 1880. He defeated Alf Greenbeld twice.

FREMONT, Neb., March 2.—To the Sporting Editor of THE BEE: Please define the pitch-er's position in Sunday's BEE and settle a dis-pute.—R. L. M. pute.—R. L. M.

Ans.—Why don't you put 10 cents in a base ball guide! Ruie eighteen says the pitcher shall take his position facing the batsman with booth feet squarely on the ground, one foot on the rear line of the "box." He must not raise either foot unless in the

act of delivering the ball, nor make more than one step in such delivery. He shall hold the ball, before the delivery, fairly in front of his body and in sight of the um-pire. When the pitcher feigus to throw the ball to a base he must resume the above po-sition and pause momentarily before deliv-ering the ball to the bat. ering the ball to the bat.

SCOTIA, Neb., March 1.—To the Sporting Editor of THE BEE: Please decide a bet by answering the following by return marl: In a game of poker the hands are heiped; A bets 83, B calis; A says two pair and Bsays no good, when A spreads down four aces. B claims A loses the pot for miscailing his hand. A claims he did not miscail his hand. Who is right?—Dolson.

Ans.—Couldn't find a stamp in your letter; however, no answers in this department are

however, no answers in this department are made by mail. Strictly speaking, A did miscall his hand, because four aces are not two pair in poker parlance. B's claim on that score is all right, but A does not lose the pot. The spreading of his hand was sil that was necessary. Miscalling hands is common enough in any game of poker, only, however, in pleasant bandiage.

SOUTH OWARA MARCH 4—To the Sportley Ed.

SOUTH OMAHA, March 4.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bre: To decide a bet would you please state in your valuable Sunnay Bre whether Jack Dempsey was ever knocked out by La Blanche, and if so how many rounds were there fought.—3 Spot.

Ans.—La Blanche knocked Dempsey out on Angust 97 1800 in 32 centred in the second of the

August 27, 1890, in 32 rounds, lasting two hours and seven minutes. Onana. March 4.—To the Sporting Editor of The heg: What's the matter with a good ath-letic contest between the Omaha athletic club, Young Men's Christian association and the Germans? Would be just the thing about this time.—Athlete.

Ans.-The three organizations ought to give a first-class exhibition, and no doubt will some time soon. Lincoln, Neb., March 4.—To the Sporting Editor of The Omana Hee: Will you please state in Sunday's Hee the amount of salary John L. Sullivan draws per week.—W. A. M.

Ans.—He is one of the proprietors of the Harrison-Sullivan combination. CEDAR BLUFFS, Neb., March 2.—To the Sport-in. Editor of THE BEE: Please answer the fol-lowing in the Sunday Issue: Did Wellington or not have Napoleon defeated before Blucher came up with his army to Waterloo?—A. B. C. Aus—No. Wellington was about retreatfrom a goose hant down at Sweavel's stone

ing and was beaten, when at about 4:15 p. m. Blueber came up with about 35,000 fresh m. Blueher came up with about 35,000 free troops, and saved the day for the English. COZAD, Neb. March 3.—To the Sporting Editor of The Hee: Will you please state in Sunday's Bet a good, reliable, all round shotsey un shell. I have been using the Quick Shotshell, manufactured by the Peters Curtridge company, Cinciunati, What do you think of It?—Ducken.

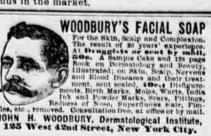
Ans, -There is no better shell in the world than Peters' Quick Shot. Stick to that and

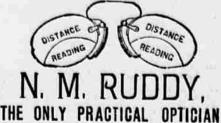
you won't go wrong. you won't go wrong.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., March 3.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: There was a species of wild duck brought in here yesterday that has occasioned a heated discussion as to its identity. It is about as large as a mailard, bill yellowish, iris deep brown, foet orango red, heat glossy brown-black, band over the eye, light grayish-brown, with ducky streaks; general color blackisa-brown: faint tinge of dark green in wings; speculum green, hiue and purpie, varying in different lights, bounded by glossy black; whole under part of wings, white. Can you name it?—Joo T. M.

Aus.—From the description of the bird, would unhesitatingly pronounce it black would unbesitatingly pronounce it black mailard, or more properly dusky or black duck. (Anas Obscura.)

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