THE WEEK'S SPORTING GRIND

The Last of the Wild Fowl and the Coming of the Jacks.

BIG GRIST FOR THE HORSEMEN

kelps from the Bleachers-The Busy Wheelmen-Jabs and Smashes-Questions and Answers and Miscellaneous Local Sports.



OOR shooting has been the rule this spring, for notwithstanding the almost unanimous expectation among sportsmen for great spend among wild fowl this spring, and notwithstanding the fact that all the conditions - plenty of

water, good feed and blustery weather-pointed to a fulfillment of these bopes, the shooting bas been poorer than for many seasons past, in fact was next to a complete and absolute failure. To be sure the birds have not all gone yet, and there may be tolerable sport in the marshes for two weeks yet, still the fact remains that the period supposed to embody the height of the season in this latitude has elapsed, and the ardent gunner has had, in a great measure, only his dreams, instead of roast mallard or canvasback, to feed upon. To be sure some the most favored have been fortunate enough to make fairly good bags, but these have only fallen to those who could spare the time to go forth, pitch their tents, and patiently wait a flight that justified the name. Sportsmen who could composedly take up their abode adjacent to some favorite "using" grounds, and remain there day and day out, until the glorious opportunity came, were all right, and had a good deal of bpasmodic shooting with its attendant ex-binarating enjoyment. But the gunner who was enabled to get out only for one or two days, renerally had his labor and expense for his pains, and the prependerance of these

with the hammerless. It was the same with geese and ducks alike the spring shooting has been an incon-tinent disappointment. The legendary Platte, famed from time immemorial as the most wonderful wild goose grounds in the world, was never visited by such hordes of gunners. But there remains but one story to tell, nineteen out of every twenty returned to their comiciliums in city, town or country, wrathful, disappointed and gooseless! Now, all this points to but one thing, and

actually returned without a bird to attest to

their prowess as hunters and their dexterity

that is that wild fowl shooting in the spring ime must cease, or year by year the sport will grow poorer and poorer, until finally the birds will almost entirely disappear from their wonted haunts. The wild pigeon, a more prolific game bird a million times byer than the wild duck ever was, has been utterly exterminated. That should teach a lesson to every honest and bonscientious sportsman. The ducks and conscientious sportsman. The ducks and goese, with the all year round ruthless alaughter, such as is practiced here, will so far as our local waters and feeding grounds are concerned, go the same way. That is in-

The spring shooting, more than any other season's work, is telling with terrible effect upon the birds. Every succeeding spring, to the observant and solicitous sportsman, this decrease becomes more and more noticeable, and louder and louder is the call for succor at the hands of the law makers.

I, myself, probably do as much shooting s the majority of sportsmen in Omaha, and the question might wall be asked. Why do I indulge in these spring forays? My answer is, simply because all the rest of the gunners do. The hanging up of a single gun would accomplish nothing, but I would hail with exceeding pleasure any enactment, could it be made general in the surrounding states, that would compel all alike to forego this spring siaughter, and give the persecuted birds an opportunity to multiply and re-

But to return to the present season. The last issue of mallards, rechead, widgeon and bluebill are in from the south, and most of them out again, still isolated burches and pairs will linger here for a couple of weeks temerity to undertake to breed here will have winged their way to the undisturbed fastnesses beyond Baffins bay. The blue The blue and green wing teal may possible afford good sport until well along in June, and often they are to be met with through the entire sum-

But there is another rare sport in store for the lover of the field and marsh. last of the winter's snows during the rem ant of this month, when the warm rains se u and the balmy breezes come up from the south, the spring migration northward of the most precious of all feathered game, the "jack snipe" (Gallinago Wilsoni) sets in, No shooting equals that of the jacks, and no mi-gratory bird is more valued by the gournets and the epicures. They are a mysterious bird and come and go with the secrecy of the and come and go with the socrecy of the winds. They move leisurely on their northern journey, by short stages of flight making innumerable halts before reaching their breeding grounds. These are located in very high latitudes. They delight in m lection for brushy spots and the outskirts of fishk woodlands. Its most favorite feeding grounds in this region, however, are on marshy meadow lands where cattle are pastured, or in the interior about fresh water springs, environed by only swamps and thickets of willow, wild rose and puckerbrush. It may most surely be found, though on pastured marshes, where it feeds in the soft, spongy soil, out up and corrugated by

e hoofs of wandering kine.

In a few more days and the delightful little scolopax will sound his thrilling "skeap" in every marsh and pasture within a radius of 100 miles, and then comes busy hours for

man and dog.

A Plea for Better Management. OMARA, April 14 .- [To the Sporting Editor of THE BEE. |-Now that there are so many athletic clubs in the city it is to be hoped that those who have a voice in the matter will take the proper steps to make their out door sports a real success, such as will give satisfaction to spectators and competitors All know how outdoor athletic sports are patronized in the east, and I venture to say that sports will be as well patropized in Omaha as anywhere if a few little things

are attended to in the management.

The first thing that is necessary is to ad vertise at least a month before the day fixed for the contest. The reason of this is, to allow the athletes to train to insure competi-Another point that must not be overlooked is that as there will be in every sport open contests, in which athletes from the erent clubs will compete, there should be a judge selected from the outside. It is usua to invite some person connected with the sporting staff of a local paper to fill that position. The prizes are also an important item. They should be various so as to suit different tastes. It is ridiculous to be giving gold medals for everything. field medals are supposed to represent championships, and it is only on this account they are thought anything about I think it would not be a bad idea for the committee to find out what would suit the la stes of the contestants best. Of course it is not necessary to ask whoever they think will win, but they can get around it easy shough if they only keep their ears open.

There are several little things like that which, if neglected, might make a meeting a

As I have said above some local sporting man of repute should be invited to judge, and he can give full instructions and direc-tions as to laving out of course, etc., and I hope those who have control of these matter will see to this, and then the athletes and people of the city may look forward to the

enjoyment that well conducted, well contested sports always afford. AMATEUR. Cushman Will Loot the League. A Pittsburg paper has this to say about proposed changes in the Milwaukee team:

Manager Cushman of the Milwaukee Western league club is very anxious to secure Maul and Berger for his team. He is willing to pay each a handsome salary. To keep within the salary limit he is determined to go on with eleven players instead of twelve, the number allowed by the Western. If he signs Maul and Berger three of the present Milwaukee players will have to go. Mr. Cushman says the three players to be fired will be the lowest salaried in the team in order to allow a larger margin for the sala-ries of the ex-Pittsburgers.—Pittsburg Commercial Garette. Will somebody please kill Cushman before he breaks up the National

The Great Pull this Week. The tug-of-war which commences at Expo-

sition hall Tuesday night, promises to be a great athletic event. The eight teams have all been getting good and ready, and as they seem to be very evenly matched, the struggles will be most intensely interesting. The heats are all limited to a 30 minutes pull, the team having the cinch on the rope at the end of that time will win the heat. This will make red hot work for the men, as they are all well aware that 30 minutes won't last forever. It will also give better satisfaction to the spectators, as they are sure to see all motions of the competitors each night. The last pull will always be over by about 10:40. The Irish team will be in better shape this

time, and the captain, Ed O'Conner, says his boys will make a hard pull sure The Scotch team is in for it and from the looks of the team Bonny Scotland will surely make a good record The Bohemians have strengthened their team by putting in heavier men. They are well known to be great pullers and their extra weightswill make them a hard team to beat. Sergeant Kinneman from the fort, captain of the American team, says he has been training his men twice a week and expects to make a hard fight for the flag. The German team is represented from South mans, and they are a fine looking team. From the record they hold it will struggle to pull them up. The Swedish team is also from South Omaha, and as the record of their nationality is well known, it is safe to say that whoever defeats them will know they have been in a tug-of-war. some Danes need very little introdution to the Omaha public. They are among the greatest pullers in the league and if they don't carry off the banner it won't be their fault. Last but not least comes the noble red warrior from the far west. This is a team of Sloux Indians. They have been at the fort about eight months and they are a healthy, husky looking lot. It is expected by a great many who think they know that the reus will prove to be the dark horse in the tourna-

The teams will all most at exposition hall at 11:30 a. m. next Tuesday and in their handsome uniforms, with the Fort Omaha band at their head will parade the city from 12 to 1. The building will be handsomely decorated with flags of all nations. There are 800 reserve seats for ladies and their escorts. Manager Prince has left nothing undone and means to give Omaha a grand athletic entertainment. The tournament is for the championship of Nebraska and the team which wins this will represent the state at the World's fair for the championship of

It is Just Like This.

It must not be imagined that ball players in the Western league are playing for "cigar money," as Kid Baldwin suggests. They have six months' contracts and are paid all the way from \$900 to \$1,400 or \$1,500. The managers get \$2,000. That is not bad pay for six months' work. Many a man slaves twelve hours a day every day in the year for a good deal less. The fellow who gets \$100 per month in these days is not doing so bad, and no one will say that playing ball is a disagreeable business. It is not time as yet the ball player. He can still live on the fat of the land.

Just a Quiet Little Pointer. The Omaha management has no occasion to experiment with players whom time has conclusively proven that no club can get along with. There are plenty of sober, deserving and respectable plarers anxious for positions, and these are the kind of men the public demand. The tourh and the luster have no more business in base ball than they have in

any other business. Chance For a Little on the Side. Jeff Bedford's "Hit Me for Fifty Dollars," has again been erected on the outfield of the local ball grounds, only this time the familiar old sign makes two propositions, \$50 to the man who bits it with a batted ball on the fly, and \$25 to the man who hits it with a

Yelps from the Bleachers How would Bob Petit fill Sprague's bro-

In Louisville they think Meekin and Grim will be one of the star batteries of the big The new beadquarters of the Minneapolis

batted ball on the roll or bound.

club are Room 231 Lumber Exchange, Minneapolis. Burkett is batting just as he did two years

ago, when he stood ninth among the league's

heavy hitters. Groundseeper Keefe evidently knows his business. Sportsman's park was never in

better shape than now. Bob Leadley says he wents no eastern leage in his. He will freeze to his position in the United States internal revenue office

at Detroit. Jack O'Connor promises to be Cleveland's

star this season. He is more active than Zimmer, besides being a better batter and base runner. The new grounds of the St. Paul bese ball

club are situated near University avenue, between Dale and St. Albans streets, and are within forty minutes' ride from Minneapolis. Pittsburg's experimental pitcher, Camp. doesn't suffer from lack of confidence. He also bats equally well right-handed or lefthanded, as they say all Omaha players do .-Pittsburg Dispatch.

Pat Tebesu is handling the Clevelands with apparent excellent judgment. Retiger and Davies, the new pitchers, are showing up well. The team, as a whole, is stronger han that of last year. Gus Schmelz is at work on a new set of

signals that is said to be the most intricate ever devised.—Ohio State Journal. He does it all with his whiskers. You can't fool us wise western guys, Mr. Rife.

Charles, or "Jack," Crooks as he is familpaul 26 years ago. His first ball experience of any note was on the St. Louis Whites the eason of '88. - Globe-Democrat,

Will Clingman, the Cincinnati player, de ciares that to his mind Louisville got in Jones a better pitcher than Cleveland has in Cuppy. He played in the same league with hese youngsters last season.

Indianapolis has been noted for the star batteries which have always brought lasting glory to the club. First it had Noisn and Flint, then McKeen and Keenan; next came Boyle and Myers, and last Rusie and Buck

Jimmy Manning has been playing with Kansas City since 1887, and next Saturday he will reach man's estate, 21 years of age, on which occasion President Speas will prent him with a nice house and lot in Kansas City-Kansas.

The base ball editor is indebted to Emil Grossman & Co. of Cleveland, O., for a copy of their "Little Casino" base ball schedule. It is the most convenient thing of the kind blished, and besides the National league schedule, contains many interesting records and much news.

All Sunday games scheduled by the West ern league for Indianapolis, will, when the National league team is away from home, be played in Cincinnati on the league grounds. Brush's western team will fill in dates left open by some of the goody-goody eastern teams, who will lay off and attend church.

Jack Sneed is now off the diamond and en gaged in ticket scalping at Columbus This pays him as well as minor league would .- Columbus Dispatch. Out this way every body is overjoyed to know that Jack is off the diamond, and that he is making \$200 or \$300 a month peddling second-hand rail-

The fact that Owens pitched for Columbu rate fact that Owens pitched for Columbus yesterday has led to the circulation of a wild and wooly varn that Hank O'Day is to be released. Not yet, Madame Rumor, not yet. Mr. O'Day's arm will be given a full, free and honest test before any thoughts of re-leasing the veterau pitcher will be enter-tained.—Columbus Dispatch.

A Chicago liquor cure concern advertises that it cured Larry Twitchell of the drinking habit, and Larry threatens to run down from Milwaukee and kick somebody's day lights out. Larry was never full but once in his life, and that was just subsequent to the

close of the Mexican war, when he happened o be caught out late one night with a lot of

South Omaha democrats. Armour, the right fielder of the Toledos, is a ball player from away back. Comiskey and Bancroft both think well of him, and the chances are that he was not sover.—Cin-league team before the season is over.—Cinknow how you figure that out, Ban. However, you big league ducks can bring about some funny things, under the national agree-ment, in base ball. See! catch! understand!

Manager Cushman of Milwaukee says: "I to not think the big league will last longer than one year. Next year I think we will ball playing league and the other against ball playing league and the other against playing Sunday. The prospects of the Westpraying Sunday Park 1 and where."-Evening Wisconsin. He can't keep still a minute.

Jack McQuade, who was classed as one of the best umpires in the league last year, was in the city last night. Mac has been "turned down" by Nick Young. Last fall be signed to umpire in the association, and that cooked his goose with Uncle Nick. This season Mc-Quade will umpire in the Western associaon and he is now on his way to Indianapolis for the opening of the season in that city next Saturday. In McQuade the new league has lost one of the fairest and best umpires that ever officiated in a game.—Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette. Well, we will take care of Jack all right here. Just think of the Bloggs, Striefs, Bauswines and Cusicks we have have had out here in the last four years. It is a wonder every crank in the west hasn't had the delirium tremens.

Elmer Smith's friends aid not forget him When he went to bat for the first time in the game be was warmly applauded. And may-be Elmer can't play the field. He made two or three nice catches and also bagged one of Pittsburg's hits. Smith called at the Com-mercial Gazette office last night. "What do I think of the Cincinnati cinb! It's by long odds the best team that ever represented the city. Comissy is a great leader and the team is a strong one in batting. It's the best city in the country for a ball player. The people here always give the player his just dues, and never fail to pull for the success of the home team. It is different in other cities. Billy Halbgan will surprise some of the league pitchers this year. He is a fine batter when he wants to be?" "Will you do any more pitching?" "Weil, I sup-pose I will some day. When the weather gets a little warmer the Pittsburg manage ment will press me into service. I don't care about pitching, for I know I would last longer as a fielder. This is my year to pitch win-ning ball, and I don't think I will prove wanting when called upon to face music."—Ban Johnson.

The Minneapolis Tribune in speaking of the Millers says: Munyan, with the St. Louis Browns, and Dixon, with the Johnstown-Gloversville club of the New York state league last season, catchers; France, with Sacramento in the California league the first half of last season, and with Tacoma in the Pacific Northwest league the remainder of the season; Swartzel, for several seasons with Kansas City, and Beatin, who played with Cleveland and Detroit in the eague, pitchers; McGuirk, of the Sacramento club, first base; Shinnick, with the Louisville, second base; Parrott, with Portpion Erie club of the New York and Pennsylvania league, short ston, and Carroll, of the Minneapolis and Lowell clubs, Newman of the Seattle club, and Katz of Grand Rapids and Kansas City, outfielders. Since the awarding of the players Manager Morton has made a request for two men to take the places of McGuirk and Katz, whom he hasn't much confidence in, and President Williams yesterday signed Milt West, or "Papa," as he is called here, and assigned him to Minneapolis. West led the Eastern association in batting last season with the unusually high percentage of .336. He played first base part of the season for Syracuse and optained a fielding average of 968 and had an average of .858 in center field. McGuirk, whose place he takes, made a fine record for himself in the California league and was one of the best coachers in the league. His averages were: Games, 134; bits, 136, batting average, .347; fielding, .967, and he stole 28 bases. If West does as good as that he will have to play ball for all he's worth. A new man will probably be signed in a few days to take the place of Katz.

On the Track and in the Stable The black stallion, Director (sire of Direct 206, pacer), was sold recently for \$75,000. Vitello, 2:15%, will pull a thirty-eight-pound suiky with pneumatic tires the coming

Over \$1,000,000 will be offered to and purses for trotters and pacers during the coming season. W. J. Mooney of Chariton, Ia., sold re-

cently the little gray pacing mare Lillie Banks, 2:22, for \$2,000. Of the twelve brothers with records better than 2:12, Nancy Hanks, 2:09, is the only one out of a great brood mare. The fast filly by Darknight, owned by William Mack of north Twentieth street,

will go to Kneebs' stable to be trained this

And what an incentive to breeders to produce a class that if not phenomenal throtters they are ready sellers for the other virtues

The fast trotting stallion Emperor, 2:1714 wned by BuBois Bros., Denver, Colo., has about recovered from his accident at Pueblo. Colo in 1890.

Mr. Woodruff of Rocklet, N. Y., will send to the World's fair the shafts the famous trotting stallion Rysdyks Hamiltonian was first harnessed to The Nebraska futurity stake to be troited 1896, closed April 1 with 310 nominations

The stallion whose get wins that stake, will nake his owner a rich man. Miss Hellin (4), owned by C. M. Buck, will be trained by "Blondy" this season. When she is right and starts look out for her, for she will trot close to .20. A fine yearling filly at the Still water farm

by Van Zundt, dame Minnie R., when taking playful run about the paddock fell and broke its fore jeg just above the knee. The once famous race horse "Dock Ed-

wards" the first one to ever trot in 2:40, died recently at the Eclipse stock farm Rosyn, N. Y., at the great age of 43 years. Apvone in town who thinks they own a fast pole team, if they can stay with Hal. McCord up Cass street to Twenty-second, may well be satisfied with what they have

Mr. Meikle, of north Twenty-second street, recently bought for a family horse a bay gaiding that looks about right. He has size, style and a presence that commends judgment in the selection.

A New England pacer has been named Swift's Dressed Beef, and one who has seen him says he is named just right, for while he s a Durham in shape, he is a Texas steet when the stampede begins. Ed DuBois of Kansas City, will act as lieutenant to R.T. Kneebs the coming season. Mr. D. is an experienced driver, is used to

riding fast and will be of valuable assistance to Kneebs with his big string. As Silver City is only a little run out from Omaha, when they give their trotting meeting this season the Omaha and Council Biuffites should take a trip there. I am sure

they will see some going worth the while The road wagon builders seem to anticipate a lively season with road riders, as they are turning out some one-man wagons that are as perfectly balanced as is possible, the weight of which will not handicap a horse

much in a brush down the ross.

In organizing the Gentlemen's driving club Omsha is doing a great thing. I hope the west will do likewise. For surcease from business cares a spin behind a perfectly gaited and grandly bred horse that has size and style, no other recreation can Notwithstanding the fauit finding that is being indulged in by very many turf writers nowadays relative to all methods of manage-

and that affair, regarding trotters they are bringing better prices all the time and more money is being put up for them to The Des Moines Driving Park association are hustling for attractions for their coming

great meeting, having arranged with C. W. Williams for Allerton to go a match race with Nancy Hanks, providing Doble is willug, and that as much as assures a go, as that is Budd's errand at all times. Mr. Kyle will train a string on the North

Omaha track. The writer saw one of them, a.g. g., go from the wire to the quarter pole very fast. When the season is more advanced and he is in condition, it will be a developed trotter that will beat him in a race. There is no friction about him and he is stout hearted.

eagerly awaiting nice weather that they may be asked to step along. "Billy" has one that should make a mark in the trotting world. This is the bt. c., Red Tolar, by Ashiand Wilkes. He is looking his best this spring, and it seems as though there was nothing in the way of his being a fast trotter.

Judging from the looks of the b. s. Ignis Fathus at the present time and will take a race horse to beat him the coming season. He has been wintered about Fight and is in the has been wintered about Fight and is in the pink of form to be beging work when the track gets right. It may somethiv occur that some of the cracks of the state need not go east of the river to find company worthy of their pest efforts. Each succeeding year

brings out its stars.

Adam Thompson will cumpaign six head of trotters and pacers the coming season. His first start will be at Danville, Hi. Mr. Thompson will travel with a perfectly equipped palace horse car. His stock are stout and hearty, and if nice wenther soon comes so that they can be shaped up, he should have a party of "bread winners" sure. Prince T. pacer, the top sawyer of the stable, is showing great speed they say. J. S. Stone of the mail carriers' force, although a good walker enjoys a ride occasion

ally, and keeps about as good a road horse as any of them. At off times he can be seen out behind a bay gelding of the Hambletonian type that can pull a road wagon about as fast as the average person cares to ride. Mr. S. is a member of the Omaha Driving club, and those in the class with Fast Mail will make a "quick run" if they beat the flag. The King Hill stock farm, near St. Jos

Mo., had their large training barns totally destroyed recently by a severe wind storm that swept it away. In the barn when the storm came up were not less than \$100,000 worth of trotting stock, including Wilkie, Russell (2:15), Aravant (2:28)(1), and Porimus (2:29). The stable men, fearing Russell the worst, had removed the stock just in time to save it. Mary Marshall (2:12%) has foaled a dark chestnut colt by Allerton (2:19%). That fellow ought to be speedy.

James Ainscow of the Model Steam laundry, has a black team of the Bashaw type that are good ones. They are guited alike, speedy and showy, and of the conformation to go the route. By the time the matineer races occur they will be in form to go in good company. If Mr. A. will review an article in the American Trotter of April 7 entitled "Putting on the Bit," he will get some good pointers on the subject. A severe bit is ruinous to a horse and the one they usually go against the hardest.

Last Saturday the merry clink of the placksmith's hammer drew attention to a farm in the Ironworks pike, where twenty head of horses were being shod preparatory o going into training. While the stallion, Director, was kept in town by temporary ameness, caused by bad shoeing in California, Mr. Creighton had built for him. Direct and James Madison, a neat stable of three stalls only, into which Director was placed with his stable companions, on his arrival at the farm last Friday.

Charles Wilson of Little Sloux farm. Silver City, Ia., as trainer and driver of Mr. Swartz's stock. Among the lot is the b. m. chestnut Wilkes, who is game and racy; also a b. c. (2) by California, by Sultan. He is said to be a cracker jack, and that he possesses phenomenal speed. Jake Wure, who last year drove the great b. s. Andrew Allison, owned by B. F. Swaggard of Sweet Springs, Mo., to his fast mark, is ilso at Silver City as trainer for a stable. Wherever he starts I would like a ticket some of them, as Jake is in the habit of rid-

ing in the front. W. B. McDonald who is authority on pacers, and who drove Buffalo Girl, one of the grand quartet of years gone by, says the dangerous one of the 15 class if he comes to the score fit, is Winslow Wilkes, the coming season. He is looking as stout and fit as can be now, and it is to be hoped a mechanic will get shold of him and that the Omaha fellow will do himself credit.

George Wilton III., by Wilton and Rich Medium V., by Happy Medium, owned by B. J. Kendall of this city, will probably be members of R. T. Kneebs string this season. They are bright stars and under the tutelage of this sagacious reinsman they will distin-guish themselves. The five-year-old possesses the same blood as the great queen Nancy Hanks.

Among the most promising horses on the place are: Mary Mac (4), 2:254; Olivet (3), 2:25, by Director, dam by Princeps; Emmie C., b. f. (2), by Florida, dam Emily by George Wilkes, full sister to Fortuna: Dianeter, a black yearling colt by Witton, dam by Governor Sprague, second dam by Mambrino Patchen; a filly by Colonel Ep's Simmons' Jack Dawson (he by Director out of a George Wilkes mare) dam and Nellie M, a bay mare four years old by Director; dam by Governor Sprague. The last is a green mare of great promise. Mr. Creighton is making extensive improvements

track. The last he is building on the most approved plans, and as soon as the weather permits many of his horses will go into active training. He has intely sold to Mr. Foster of California a bay filly, two years old, by Dark Night; dam by Black's Hambletonian, and a two-year-old bay filly by Bon nie McGregor; dam by John E. Wood, both at handsome figures. He also sold lately to G. M. Alexander of Chicago Mattie H. record 3 a full sister to Geneva S, at a good price. Lexington, Ky., Leader.

C. E. Cotton, president of the Review kite track, Syracuse, Neb., was in the city Wednesday last as a delegate to the democratic state convention. Mr. C. reports trot ting matters as very lively at Syracuse. At the track there are already over seventy trotters, and by the time the season fairly opens 150 head or more will be given preparatory work there. Among these will be the following stables: King Hill farm, St. Joseph, Mo., of which the great pacer, Wilkie Russell, 2:15, is the premier; Ed Pytes of the Humboldt stock farm, Humboldt Neb, has a big string at the track oldt, Neb., has a big string at the track which is in very good shape, all stout and hearty. Prominent among them are Robbie P. 3:23; Kate Caffrey, 2:25 at 3 years old. Both are star actors with always lots of speed. The 2-year-old, Fred P., who was a sensational yearing, is all right and the one that beats him the coming season will be put in a fast class. Gould & Miller of Fullerton, Neb., who own the great trotter and sire of trotters, Shadeiand Onward. 2:1814, will have their stable trained there. The above stallion is by Onward, who is reputable, but his cam is just right, hence the great forse that he is. I predict that he will beome one of the greatest of our sires of speed Beauchamp & Jarvis of Emporia, Kan., will be at the Review. They are owners of the perfectly bred Director colt, Instructor H., also E. W. Mosier of York, Neb., and the Walnut Grove stable. President Cotton and Secretary Hall are hustlers, and the Review track will always be an assembly ground for

Whisperings of the Wheel. Billy Snell of the Tourist racing team is riding a frolicsome Eagle now, having disposed of the famous mascot.

H. E. Taggar, W. H. Barnum and I. E. Holten were elected to membership in the Tourists at the last regular meeting. Bob Young and Harry Smith pumped their way to South Omaha Sunday morning

and say that the solid tires are still "in it. The country roads which were so rapidly assuming their wonted fine condition are again since the recent three days rain, a sticky mass of mud, so farewell to all thoughts of pleasant spins for several days Owing to the recent floods which have

suspended on the steal trust bridge in front of Perrigo's emporium. Wheelmen are still compelled to lift their mounts to the side. walk when stopping to chat with the chief The first jaunt made ever country road by local wheelmen to come to notice this season was made last Sunday afternoon by J. Henry

trickled down Dodge street work has been

Kastman, H. E. Taggar and E. R. Smith, who, mounted on century Columbias pedaled down to Believue and back. They report the roads in fine condition. The Omaha Wheel club and the Tourist Wheelmen participated in a joint run last Sunday morning, those who enjoyed the run being Messrs. Conract, Potter, Kastman, Connoran, Burr, Livesev, Taggar, Flescher, Emmerson, Perrigo, Clark and Muntefering. The destination was Council Bluffs.

Willie Pixiey gives it out cold that he will not ride this year. There's something in the wind sure when a prominent racing enthus-iast suddenly loses all interest in wheeling. There's something going to happen. Pixley will "bob up serency" at some of the meets and take off the best plums and don't you forget it.

A man mounted on a G. O. O. was seen one evening of last week flying along Six-teenth street. The sight was so uncommon that pedestrians stopped and stared after Billy Houston, trainer and driver, has his that pedestrians stopped and stared after string at the North Omeha track, and is the swiftly moving figure in speechless awe.

The during rider was the rear guard of the the Nonparella, will return in June and cover G. O. O. army which have so suddenly re-O. O. army which have so suddenly re-

reated from the field. Cupped from the Democrat (Fort Madison, [a.]: "Messrs, Pollard, Lane, Anthes, Hitch, Trenton, Deerr and Wise of the Fort Madison Cycling club expect to start on August 20 on a wheel trip to Omaha, Neb." August 20 on a wheel trip to Omaha, Neb." Tur Bre will vouch for the hospitality of the Omaha wheelmen, and visiting wheelmen will always find that "the latch string hangs

Captain Conract of the Omaha Wheel club is a hustler and one of the most enthusi-astic of the club's wheelmen, and he has determined to make wheeling the most im portant features of this season's cycling cam paign. The best runs will be picked out, and any wheelman who attends a run under his command will be assured of an enjoyable

Our "Zimmy" continues to cavert on the green sward of Merrie Hold Hingland and the the roads and streets are always lined with the curious whenever he ventures out for an airing, which is quite often, one would think from the comments which appear in the British newspapers. Zimmerman is looked upon as the representative American racing man "across the pond," which is all

Osmond, the English crack, is determined to lower Willie Windle's mile record this season to 2:14. Willie will then pull 'er down to 2:18 and thus continue the story. down to 2:18 and thus continue the story Old timers look wise and advance the opin ion that the mile will be done in something under 2:12; if not, why not! Nothing is impossible, it seems, in this age of progress, When W. S. Clark lowered the amateur When W. S. Clark lowered the amateur record to 3:1814 in January, 1880, people all over this broad universe voted it a remarka-ble performance. The youngest devotee to the "bike" can now do the distance in less time.

The man who buys a wheel this season need not long for companionship whether he is a club man or not, as three good wheel organizations extend a standing invitation to all who wish to ride with them. If he wishes all who wish to ride with them. If he wish to take a pleasant evening spin, the Young Men's Christian Association Wheel club, the Tourist Wheelmen and the Omaha Wheel club will always be giad to have him with them whenever their runs call them out. If he wishes to take a trip into the country and breathe the pure air or enjoy a good country dinner, the Tourist Wheelmen and the Omans Wheel club will gladly snow him all the beauties of cycling.

Fred Paffenrath, the genial and popular manager of Nicol's tailoring establishment, was the lucky man to draw the Overland pneumatic wheel which was so graciously presented to the Omaha Wheel club by A Perrigo, and which was raffied off at the club house the evening of the 9th. His ticket bore the number (6). One hundred and fortythree chances were sold. Mr. Paffenraff will be numbered among the wheelmen in the future and the local 'cyclists extend a hand welcome. To show his appreciation the wheelmen and the Omaha eel club in particular, Mr.

Wheel club in particular, Mr. Paffeurath issued invitations to all members of the club and their friends to meet him at the club house on the evening of the 13th and partake of his hospitality. A good time was had and everyone seemed to enjoy himself immensely.

Captain Potter of the Tourist Wheelmer has appointed his subaltern officials and his choice has been wisely made. The first lieutenancy goes to Walt Morris, this being his third term, which shows that Walt is a favorite with the clubmen. Wallace Taylor will wear the ensignia of second lieutenant. Wallace is no novice on the wheel and will make a good and energetic officer. of color sargeant has been abolished, the member having the best club mileage will carry the club's colors on parade. The bugier has not been chosen, several candidates are endeavoring to master the different sign ils and one will soon be appointed from among the crop of musicians. The contest for the handsome gold medal for best mileage commences this month and will continue until November 30. The captain has issued his called run card for the balance of the month :

April 17, Crescent city for dinner April 23, Florence, start at 7:30 p. m. . . other runs will be taken. All members of the club are requested to respond that can do 50.

Tit-Tattle of the Ring. Dick Moore fights Dick Keating at Kausas

Scotty Gordon and Bud Mills have been matched for a contest at South Omaha. The fight between Danny Daly and Smith, which was to have come off before the California Athletic club May 8, is off, and Daly will now probably make a match for this city or vicinity with Billy O'Donnell of

Jack Davis badn't much of a task to accomplish when he knock out big Jack Keefe up in Sioux City a few nights ago. The prottiest part of the fight was the \$800 Colonel Davis added to his bank account as a result of the entertainment.

Monday night Jim Hall nearly knocked out his sparring side partner, Joe Choynski at Niblo's in New York. A short half arm jab caught Joseph on the point of the chin, and he was very groggy for a moment. It was not intended, of course.

The Occidental ciub is trying to arrange a much between Jack Davis of Omaha and Billy Smith, the Australian. Davis is all right, but Smith will not sign until he sees how the match between Cardiff and Keogh at the Portland club comes out. Smith believes that Keogh will back out and that he will be given a chance at Cardiff. - 'Frisco Chronicle Bob Doobs and Tom O'Brien had their second go before the Pastime athletic cub at Frisco Thursday night. It was a rank fake, O'Brien going out in the fourth round from a light punch in the throat. Up to this time neither man had landed a blow. The two fighters were unceremoniously fired from the slub room, and neither will get a cent, although it is said they realized considerable

OMARIA, April 16.—To the Sporting Editor of THE BEE: I have duly noted Billy Dwyer's challenge published in Thursday's BEE, and I will state right here for his par ticular benefit that I am not posing as a prize fighter, but wouldn't go out of my way more than a block to avoid a contest with any man who I thought I could whip, especially if there was a prospect of getting hold of any of those long green silver certificates we read about by performing the little act. If Mr. Dwyer means business and has got the stuff to bind a a match, I'll meet him at THE BEE office tomorrow evening and talk over the matter with him. ARTHUR ROTHERY.

On Tuesday next Jack Wilkes, the St. Louis weiter weight, who won fights from both Jimmy Lindsay and Herry Gilmore before the Gate City Athletic citb, will deposit a forfeit of \$250 with Charles H. Steiger of Chicago, for a finish fight with Tom Ryan for \$500 a side and a purse of \$1,200 to be hung up by the South Omaha club. Ryan, it is said, has consented to meet Wilkes under these conditions, Wilkes not to weigh more than 145 pounds. This is what the St Louis and Chicago papers say, but I take little stock in it. A month ago, in behalf of the South Omaha club, the writer wrote to ouis Houseman, sporting editor Inter-Ocean, Chicago, and at that time Ryan's manager, embodying a much better proposition than the above, as under it the winner would have become the possessor of several more hundred dollars. To this Houseman nor Ryan paid any attention, in fact, notwithstanding that several letters prior to this had been exchanged with House man on the same subject, even the courtesy of an acknowledgement was never received. The reasonable inference was that Hyan didn't want any of Wilkes game, unless it was conducted under the auspices of the Chicsgo crowd exclusively, as all of his fights have been. The probability is that the present talk is only wind escaping from some irresponsible leak.

Animation Among the Amsteurs, Swartz will be right as home at first base. Jelien left for Fremont last week. wish him success (Nonparella.)

Lacy for a little fellow can line them out as hard as any of the big sluggers. Davis, who is to eatch for the Postoffice ine, is a first class all-round mau.

Wigman, Monaghan and Kennedy will make a good out field for the Hayden. Gadke catches Miller's curves in great shape. His throwing arm is in good shape. Bradford can play any position and make s record that is worth having as a ball player A. P. Brady would like to sign with some ed club as a second paseman. Address,

Snyder is auxious to go against the Nonparelis with a good nine like the Haydens be-C. Moriearty, the clever little fielder of

Fiynn will take his regular turn in the box this season. Tommy has some great curves in that arm Miller, of last season's Falconers, has more

speed this year than ever. He would like to run against the Nonparells. Flynn says he feels great and will surprise is friends by his work this year at 1 bag

and at the stick this season. South Omaha will have a first class club in the field. They have four first class men from one of the Chicago City league teams. The Bluffs nine have organized under the management of F. Vanderburg. For games address Nebraska Telephone company.

Omaha, Neb. F. Mahoney will be found stopping home runs in the left garden for the Nonparella. Any club wishing games address J. Maho. Any club wishing games address J. Maho ney, Flitteenth and Martha streets, Omaha,

Carrigan will make the Haydens play good ball if there is any ball playing in them. His team will be found as follows: Craighton, catcher; Snyder, pitcher; Swartz, first; Carrigau, second; Eagan, short stop: Bowies, third; Kennedy, left field; Wigman, center field; Monaghan, right field. The Postoffice nine organized last week with the following players, who will be out for the city league pennant this season: Davis, catcher: Carmell, pitcher; Hays, first: Creighton, second, G. Frank, short

ston: Tracy, right field; Cunningham, ter field; Lindsay, lett field. G. Frank is acting manager. Miscellaneous Local Sports. Dr. Richardson of Clarks, made a big kill of maliards and redheads up on P creek during the recent inclement spell D. C. Sabin of Beatrice, owner of the great stallion. Counsellor, was recently offered \$55,000 for the horse or \$10,000 for his year's service, both of which offers were declined.

"Jolly Dick," said to be the fastest horse in western Nebraska, was sold by J. W. Martin to Bert Ashmore of Lexington for The Hardin Bros., of Juniata, this state, are the proprietors of a fine kennel of St. Bernards and English mastiffs, which includes Mascot Brave, a three-fourths brother

of Great Bedivere; Mascot Royal, a special winner at the Chicago show; Mascot Grace, Barbara Allen, Kate M. and other fine ones. Onestions and Answers. [No answers by mail in this department.]

Lincoln, Neb., April II.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bre: Please explain in Sun-day's Brethe difference between boxing and sparring if any -G. E. Ferrier. Ans. - There is none. DUNLAP, I.a., April is.—To the Sporting Edi-tor of The Bex: Answer the following: When did Hogan knock John L. Sulivan down What rules was it under:—A. Pearson.

Aus.-The Hogan never lived who could knock John L. dewn. WEST POINT, Neb., April 11.-To the Sporting Editor of THE BEE: Will you please publish in next Sunday's BEE, the rules, if there are any, for laying out a half mile track;—

Ans.-Know of no regular established rules, but the following simple directions will be found useful: Draw two parallel lines 600 feet long and 452 feet 5 inches apart. Half way between the extreme ends of the two parallel lines drive a stake, then loop a wire around the stake long enough to reach to either side. Then make a true curve with the wire, putting down a stake as often as a fence post is needed. When this operation i finished at both ends of the 600-foot paralle lines the track is laid out. The inside fence will rest exactly on the line drawn, but the track must measure a half mile from the fence. The turns should be thrown up an inch to the foot. The stretches may be anywhere from forty-five to sixty feet.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb.. April 12.—To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: To decide a bet, please inform us through Sunday's sporting columns how much heavier was Fitzsiu mons than Jack Dempsey in their memorable fight at New Orleans?—O. M. and L. T. H.

Ans.—Four pounds. Dempsey tipped the beams at 147-, and Fitzsimmons at 15116. OMAHA, April 13.—To the Sporting Editor of THE BEE: Is the Bader who has been assigned to the Albany Eastern league cinb the Herman Bader who used to plough up the mud and make the dust fly, as the case might be, around the Omaha diamond.

Ans,-The same. OMAHA, April, 14.—To the Sporting Editor of THE HEE:—What is the A. A. N.'s rule for prize awarding in the novice class?—Swedish Athlete?

Aus .- The A. A. U.'s prize rule was recently amended as follows: "No prize shall be given by an individual, club, committee, association or other organization, or scribed wreaths, diplomas, banners, badges, medals, time pieces, mantel ornaments or articles of jewelry, silverware, toilet or table service. Hereafter an athlete shall be held to be a novice in each of twenty-three classes tion open to the members of two or more clubs. The winning of such a prize shall prevent his future competition as a novice in that class although his entry may have been made before he lost his standing as a novice. FREMONT. Neb., April 12.—To the Sporting Editor of THE BEE:—Will the winners of the first and second championship divisions in the Western league, play a series of games after the championship season to determine whe are the champions of the league.—Phi

Ans.-They will. HAY SPRINGS, Neb., April 8.—The Sporting Editor of THE OMAHA BEE: I write to ask you if you have any foot ball rules. If you have, please send me the price of them.—Eugene Rock.

Ans-See head of this column. Write to Spaiding Bres., Chicago. SOUTH OMAHA. Neb., April 14.—To the Sporting Editor of The Ber: Please state longest throw made with a base ball in Sunday's Ber also batted ball, and longest throw with across ball.-Dead Game Ans.-(1) 135 yards, I foot and 34 inch, Ed

(3) 444 feet, James Conaghy.

Pembroke, Can., August 13, 1890. Spectacles, Dr. Cullimore, Bee bullding.

Crane at Cincinnati, October 12.

THE THEATERS. The coming week bids fair to be an unusually pleasant one in the theatrical sense, since it brings before the Omaha public a new star and an actress who in less than one season has made a name and a reputation that places her well along in the light of legitimate delineators of the standard dramas. Miss Gale comes to Omaha fresh from a two weeks' engagement at the Baldwin theater in San Francisco, where the critics and the public accorded her the most bountiful praise. For her introduction in Omaha Miss Gale has selected some of the immortal bard's best works and a romentic drama by Maria Lovell, which will also command a front place in this list of legitmate plays. Miss Gale is a charming actress. But few people can appreciate her real beauty and the sweetness of her charac-She is modest, unostentatious and charmingly gentle.

Her first appearance on the stage was in 885 with Lawrence Barrett. Until the 1855 with Lawrence Barrett. close of last season she supported Mr. Bar-rett and was with him when he was starring countly with Mr. Booth. Several times last season she played Juliet to Mr. Barrett's Barrett's Romeo. People never weary of the heart ing story of "Homeo st," and they never seem their interest in follow varied fortunes of Rosalind 800 Juliet, following "As You Like it. These two are today the most popular of Shakespeare's plays. Another thing that pleases is that the people, and by the people is meant the theater corrs in general, seem to be constantly growing in their appreciation of quiet, but intense and artistic acting. They seem to be recovering from the unwholesome influence of the rant and passion tearing with which too many of our American meiodramas have been rendered. Miss Gaie's Omaha engagement will be a society event in every sense. Here is the repertoire for the week: 'Romeo and Juliet.'' Miss Gale as Juliet.'' Ingomar.' Miss Gale as Parthenia: "As You Like It." Miss Gale as Rosalind; 'The Lady of Lyons.'' Miss Gale as Paulice; 'Much Ado About Nothing." Miss Gale as iscatrice.

It will be very gratifying information not only to the literary people of Omaba, but to the vast reading public, with whom Will Carieton's world-wide popular poems have a place second to none, to know that he will make his first appearance in Omaha in the Young Men's Christian association hall on Friday evening next. The local manage-ment had expected to secure a larger hall for this cotertainment, believing that Mr. Carleton's popularity would insure him as audi ence of very large proportions, but both of

the theaters and Exposition hall being en gaged, the only centrally located hall remaining open on that date, which was the only open date that could be secured for Mr. Carleton, was Young Mon's Christian asso cistion hall. The reserved seat sale will open at Cinsler's drug store, 223 South Six-teenth street, on Wednesday morning next

One of the most successful engagements of be season at the Farnam Street theater was the 'O, What a Night' company four weeks ago. Their stay then was altogether too short, as the continuously large audiences showed. Manager Burgess has secured them for a return engagement and a longer stay, and they will open for a week's stand at the harman Street with a matine this afternoon. An attraction to be successful must please the people-not only those who go to the theater to laugh at anything and everything, but those who never laugh, or at least who laugh "inwardly." atter class of theater goers, "O. What a Night" is sure to prove entertaining, as they caunot help but be "inwardly convulsed" at the bright, seen wit, comical situations and brilliant ratire. Among the company are W. S. Lang and C. E. Edwards, negro and Irish comedians; Miss Mina Gennell, the great dancing souprette, and the famous English twin sisters, the sisters Leigh, in the great-est dance ever put upon the stage, called the "Delusion Dance," and several other pretty girls and funny men, making a spiendid en-tertainment. Unlike most farce comedies, "O. What a Night" has a well defined plot It deals with the adventures of two married men of rather loose morals, an indiscreet wife, a gay young bachelor, a lively actress and an amorous and albitious locksmith. It would be useless to attempt to tell the story of how the author has contrived to keep these people hiding from each other, the complications into which they are led by their own folly, or to explain the clever manner in which he finally extricates them from embarrassing situations.

Following Miss Gale at Boyd's New Theater comes Carroll Johnson, who several years ago was classed as one of the greatest minstress upon the American stage, in his new Irish comedy drama entitled, "The Gosson."

Stage Gossip. Elsa Breidt, aged 6, is a Chicago prodigy vbo plays the piano.

Miss Minnie Gale's season will close in May, and in June she will visit Europe. A dozen places of amusement in New York will have summer musical attractions. De Wolf Hopper thinks of adding "The Beggar Student" and "The Lady or the

'iger" to his repertory Bill Nye and A. P. Burbank closed their season at Pittsburg a week ago. They will be together again next season. An effort will be made to perpetuate Pat

Rooney's plays by grouping his daughter Matrie and his stepdaughter Katle in the Rooney Comedy company. Frederick Paulding will add "Romeo and Juliet," "The Fool's Revenge" and "The Romance of a Poor Young Man" to his repertory next season.

On June 23, Miss Fanny Davenport and

er husband, Melbourne McDowell sail for

Europe for the purpose of calling upon Mr

Sardou loudly for a new play. The Thalia theater on the Bowery, New York, has been leased for five years to Levy & Heine of Chicago and will be used as a Jewish theater, presenting Jewish plays. Another danger is threatening musical America. The Princess Dalgorouky, who was the morganatic wife of the late Czar Alexander II., will arrive here in several weeks

o give violin recitais. Daniel Suity says Alexander Sweet of Iexas Siftings and he will collaborate next summer on a play that will be a political satire entitled "Tammany Hall." They will work at Sully's farm in the Catskill mountains.

The Long Island sound boats which leave

New York Sunday nights afford a great meeting ground for traveling troupes. Two Sundays ago eight big companies were pas-sengers on one boat, and no fewer than 1880 actors and actresses fraternized during the George Hanlon, who has become a preacher, has not been near the theater on Sunday for

three years, and has always given a part of his earnings to charity. In San Francisco he tried to enter the Presbyterian church, but was not admitted because he was actor. Jean de Reszke recently wrote this sentinent in a Boston autograph album in French; "The voice is a great coquette, the more you think of her the further she flees from you.

But ignore her for a moment for articulation, for expression, and you immediately find her our side. Frederic Archer has organized a "select choir" of twenty-four singers in Chicago. The leading feature of their programs will e English glees and madrigals of the highest class and arrangements of Scotch and na

tional melodies. All will be sung without accompaniment. At Proctor's theater in New York, a department has been established to give practi-cal instruction in stage and dramatic work. The stage of the theater will be used, and matinees will be arranged for the appearance of pupils. Only new plays will be used, and

authors are invited to submit their works. Mrs. C. C. Campbell of Campbell's Cotion Compress Co., city of Cincinnati, Ohio, writes: "Everybody finds relief shortly after using Bradverotine for headache."

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