SPORTS FOR THE SPRING TIME

Readable Notes and Comments on the Events of the Day.

ECHOES FROM THE BIG STATE SHOOT

On the Lake and in the Field-The Pennant Chasers Ball Games for May_High School Athletes and Sports of All Kinds.



T LOOKS just now as if Ben Brush was a sure winner Derby; anyway the erting themselves place one week

next Wednesday, and when the flag falls the illustrious son of Bramble can be expected to jump to the front with Jockey Sims holding the ribbons. It will be the first hig race of the season, and will decide who shall be king of the 3-year-olds, for the hores that wine this classic event will be enty good enough to win the string of derbys which follows. Ben Brush was the 2-year-old western idol last year, and is today one of the hotiest ante-post favorites in the twenty-two years' history of the race. Despits this fact, there are a dozen or more of the sbrewdest horsemen in the country preparing other colts to dispute the blocky Brush's way to victory. While admitting his speed, his courage, his weight-carrying ability and his disregard for the condition of the track, they believe their own colts are good enough to prevent a concession of the prize before it is won. They reason in the first place that the horse that takes a railroad trip such as Brush has taken, seldom wins the race. From the days of Longfellow down there have been few exceptions to the It was true when Kingston, St. Leonards, Domino, Senator Grady and others came west. Taking the last two seasons only it was true when Clifford, Santa Anita and Ben Brush himself went east. In this same Kentucky Derby three eastern champions have come west to win it and each was in his year as strong a favorite as Ben Brush is now. But Vagrant beat Parole, and Apollo beat Runnymede, and Hindoo alone justified the confidence of his backers. The colt that is being pretty generally regarded as the favorite's most formidable competitor, is his former stable companion, Ulysses, who it seems, has developed into a grand individual, with a turn of speed that certainly justifies a good deal of the faith that is being evinced in him. While it does not neces sarily follow that a 2-year-old will repeat his performance a year later, it is not altogether bad guide to follow, as turf history shows In a majority of cases the good 2-year-old most frequently wins his oats with another year put on. The winner of an event so early in the season needs the very careful attention of his trainer, and to this fact, to-gether with the wonderful improvement in the colt, can be attributed the favor in which Ulysaes is held by the public.

My old opal-wearing friend, Joseph Bartlett Choynski, did not succeed in stopping the Hercules sailor out in Trisco last Wednes day evening in time to cop the stuff, still he gave him a most thorough drubbing. By ne gave him a most thorough drubbing. By running and clinching Sharkey was enabled to get through the get through the eight rounds and carry off the purse. In commenting upon the affair, California writers took the stand that The fact that the powers "that think they

ba" are not going to be successful this seasome of the biggest professional events that have ever taken place in this country are already booked for the coming summer. Here in Omaha, Manager Mardis of the Omaha Bicycle park, has been granted a sanction for the first week in June, and he is energetically preparing to give the Gate City one of the most thrilling professional races it has ever known. Most attractive prizes will be hung up, and a number of the best known and speedlest American racing men on hand to take a crack at them. little further on, and a detailed description of the event will be found in these columns.

Jake Gaudaur, the St. Louis carsman, bas made up his mind to cross over the drink and cross paddles with the winner of the Stanbury-Harding match, and a whole lot of people with a fondness for professional aquatics do not hesitate to declare that Jake is getting "nutty." They reason that the big Australian will row away from the Englishman like a pike before a gar and thereore would easily defeat Jake. But then a whole lot of people may be mistaken. In the first place, Staubury will have no snap with Harding, and if he does, Gaudaur is plenty good enough to give him a race at any time or place. Jake defeated him on down on the Texas coast and may be able repeat the trick, netwithstanding the antipodean's recent great showing.

Steinitz, the old world's champion, has overbauled and passed Schiffers in the big championship chess match, as, according to recently received German papers, he won the eighth and ninth games. It is thought now that he will win out, and probably has ere this. However, German experts unanimously agree that Schiffers is a very talented player and not to be trifled with by any of the so-called masters of the board.

There is a very fair prospect that horse men will see again the ex-queen of the trot-ting turf, Sunol (2:08½), in public in 1896. Robert Bonner says that the great daughter of Electioneer seemed as well and was act-ing as sound and smooth as she ever did, and, if nothing unforeseen should intervene, she will be worked, with a view to giving her a chance to again lower the trotting record, if that feat be within her powers to compass. Sunol's record of 2:08% was made in 1891, to the old fashioned high-wheel sulky, and was not beaten until Nancy Hanks did it in 1892, hitched to the pneumatic Mr. Bonner believes that the mile of Mauf S in 2.98%, on a regulation track, to the old style sulky, is the greatest of trotting performances, and he points to the fact no other has yet trotted a mile that fast under similar conditions. Sunol, after she had been bought and shed under Mr. Benner's direction, trotted the Stockton kite-shaped track in 20844 in 1891. Sunol is now 10 years old, and, while she was necessarily kept keyed up to a high pitch by Maryin from her constituted. pitch by Marvin from her sensational 2-year-old form until she retired with the world's record, she was never severely and exhaustively campaigned. The ex-champion will be given a chance to get into form at Mr. Bon-ner's track at Tarrytown, under her former trainer, Charles Marvin, and is already at

Manager Paxton has made considerable Manager Paxton has made considerable change in the track at the state fair grounds and will have it in almost perfect shape long before the June meeting. In order to keep up with the march of progress, he is having the whole stretch tiled, a method that has been found to be very efficacious on numerous first-class tracks during damp weather in getting rid of the water. This weather in getting rid of the water. This system will in time be extended around the entire course. The work that is now going on at the grounds does not interfere with the work of the horses, and there is a raft of the mark. The outer half of the track is kept in constant first-class shape for the morning workouts, during which the ecene is very interesting, with flying bikes and moving steeds. As is usual in the spring, the interest of the trainers and rail-birds are in the old horses with records, and the newly elected president. Lincoln, and the newly elected president, George Rogers of that city, is firm in the intention to bring about some sort of arrangement that will be more sat/sfactory to the state shooters. If he does this he can consider the interest of the trainers and rail-birds are in the old horses with records, and the newly elected president, George Rogers of that city, is firm in the intention to bring about some sort of arrangement that will be more sat/sfactory to the state shooters. If he does this he can consider the interest of the trainers and rail-birds are in the old horses with records, and every one that essays a mile has from two to half a dozen watches pulled on him.

Mannger Paxton is counting on a big meet in June. Among the late arrivals on the grounds was B. Hyde of Detroit, with his stable of good ones, which includes Billy

The local shooters were much elated Thursport. Post 2:22 as a 2-year-old, by Winslow day over the success of Charlie Curtis, as-Wilkes, and another Nebraska-brod horse.

Packet, by Pactolus, 2:284, but which mark he can beat to death this year. Our old cap race for the championship cup donated

Budd Doble says that all the recently published rumors as to his retirement from the turf were largely in error, and quite un-suthorized. For partly business, but more largely private, reasons he decided to with-draw from the trotting turf this year, but further than that he has no definite plane In a few weeks he, with his family, will sail for Europe, to be gove until autumn. Mr. Doble has large mining interests in the west, and these are occupying his time now, and probably will do so in the future, out have no direct bearing on his European

Budd Doble has been longer a prom inent figure of the trotting turf than any other man living, and at one time in his turf interests he was a partner of Jay Gonid. The way that came about is an in-teresting story. Away back in the early seventies, in the palmiest days of Buffalo-park, one race day Jay Gould, "Jim" Fisk and George 'Half were the judges. The noted Judge Fullerton was the favorite, but Derby; anyway the bookles are not exerting themselves to lay against him a stallon in his first race—there was a sensation, and the result was that Jay Gould, at any price. The historic event takes and he was later given to Doble to train and named Jay Gould, under which name he became famous, and retired unbeaten.

Horace S. Fogel, the well known and pop-lar sporting editor of the Philadelphia Public Ledger, is receiving congratulations on the enlargement of his department of the staid, old Quaker journal. The Ledger has recently increased its dimensions to twentywo pages, and "the department of sports and college news" has had its space nearly doubled, now printing more sporting news than any other Philadelphia paper, and as much as any other paper in the east. Mr. Fogel is one of the veteran followers of the national league, is a recognized horse critic, and in college sports has made his name an authority throughout the east. He has given especial attention to foot ball and rowing, and has done not a little to bring up the athletic teams of the University of Pennsylvania to their present high standard.

the one fillip needed to revive last year's boom in athletics comes very opportunely just as followers of the sport were beginning to fear the completion of the Olympic games would exhaust the international schedule for the season. The New York Athletic club has caused much excitement in athletic circles by its avowed intention of bringing eight of the most noted athletes in the world together in an international tourney. stars are Bacon, Bredin, Snaw and Bradley of England and Conness, Kilpatrick, Chase and Wefers of this country. The idea is to put these two quartets in a race or eries of races against each other. The probabilities are strong that this project will be brought to a successful issue. If this so, lovers of high-class sport can prepare themselves for a matchless treat.

I am in constant receipt of letters from beginners in all kinds of sports, but just now bicycle has a tremendous call, inquiring for information and directions on training, and in response I will say to them collect-ively that, while there is a lot of rot being printed about training, the following advic-to aspiring young athletes, or old ones either from Dr. Sargeant, is about the thing. He

The best method of training is a matter of very recent investigation. The moders idea of training is to put the body under the influence of all the agents which will contribute to health and strength. These agents are diet, sleep, bathing, proper clothing and exercise. Exercise should be de-termined by each man's physical powers. There should be resistance to overco weak parts should first be trained. The heart and lungs in particular should be stimulated. Rest should precede every period of exercise. Exercise should be of a composite fair, California writers took the stand that his choyoski has deteriorated, and that his smashes are not of the catapultic order they were in the old days of the 'Frisco ring, and that he needs a good long rest.

alarming effect of overtraining is that the vital organs, but its results are much exaggerated. The proportion of athletes inthat he needs a good long rest. had the slightest cardiac trouble. Exercise like the tug-of-war are the most injurious. son in blotting out the professional racer is being halled with satisfaction by both riders and the public. The big bike manufacturers evidently bit off a trifle more than they could comfortably masticate, and ercises should be taken before the age of 18. No tight clothing should be worn; perspiration should be stimulated, and there spiration should be stimulated, and there such a man likes to tell the youngsters how such a man likes to tell the youngsters how such a man likes to tell the youngsters how place in this country are fore the time for exercising."

AT THE TRAP AND IN THE FIELD.



NDISPUTABLY the late state shoot was a success, yet while this is so, it was not the success the management had hoped and planned, and it is doubtful whether another state shoot will ever be carried out on the same lines that

to the world, is a sort of an anomaly bard to understand, especially by that class of shooters erroneously called amateurs. It has got to be the fashion with the gentr of the trap to dub every man who canno trot along and knock out a score up in the ninetles regularly as a dub. At the same time, however, the man who shoots for money at a 50 per cent gait is as much of a professional as the one who goes him 45 per

ent higher.
At the late shoot a large majority of the expert shots of the country were here, and as a consequence the state shooters were scared off, and they had good cause to be. To attempt to compete with such men as J. A. R. Elliott, Rollo O. Heikes, Fred Gilbert, Frank Parmelee, Charlie Grim, Tom Marshal and Charlie Budd takes a good deal of assurance on the part of the man in a class several degrees lower than that in which these gentlemen hold sway, and ouce more it has been forcibly demonstrated that an effective handicap system is absolutely necessary before such a tournament as the one just closed can be made a satisfactory and unqualified success.

The only thing radically wrong with such a tournament as the one just closed is call-ing it a state shoot. That is obviously wrong. It was simply a grand, big tournament, open to the world, there being but three bona fide state events on the entire four days' card. A state shoot should be a state shoot and nothing else, and when the management branches out on the broad basis of a national affair it cannot consistently adhere this title. I must add, however, that it can never be hoped to make such a splendid success as was achieved last week out of a state shoot, with state shooters alone. It requires the cracks of the country to assure this-the men who follow the game for a living, and take part in every event on the program when physically able. No set of so-called amateurs will assemble together and burn up their money on long chances for four days in ouccession. They will shoot in one event, and if they do well will try it again. But let them fall down and quit outside the money, and you will find that they will tax their think-tanks vigorously before entering again. The history of such shoots is that they dwindle and dwindle until an the final day there isn't a corporal's guard left to compete for honor or money. The big profess'onal alone are the successful ones, and they are the only affairs in which managers can afford to take a chance. The state shoot is all right, if conducted as such, but what Omaha wants each year is a big national turrnament in which any and every shot in the country can take part, and where one man is accorded the same privileges and prerogatives as another, exactly as the shoot just closed was conducted.

The annual shoot for 1897 will be held at Lincoln, and the newly elected president, George Rogers of that city, is firm in the in-

friend Bocock, formerly of this city, has Mr. by the E. C. Powder company, and with a of a lot of miners and professional who handicap of ten birds succeeded in tieing with Colonel Schmidt of Atlantic, Ia. In the shoot-off he won out handily.

Twenty thousand speckled trout fry were danted in Long Pine river, this state, some on days ago, and the prospects are that the tream will become a famous one among local inglers within the next half-dozen years, the big batch of fry planted here a year igo are now from four to five inches in length, and thriving famously. Some time during May the fish commission will make still another consignment for Long Pine, to include something like 30,000 of the rainbow

With the advance of warm weather fishing paraphernal a is becoming more and more in demand, and both of the local houses are disposing of more than the usual quantity of tackle. Everything points to a splendid season, especially at the favorite Minnesota resorts, and had it not have been for the wholesale seining that has been carried on in nearby local waters, we would have had plenty of fine sport right at our very door. Mr. Ed Krug, who is one of Omaha's most enthusiastic angiers, is now endeavoring to bring the conscienceless scamps who have bring the conscienceless scamps who have been robbing the waters of Cut-Off lake all winter to justice. He is on the right track and it is hoped will succeed in making an example of these fellows.

Ed. W. Hamilton, the sporting host of the Ed. W. Hamilton, the sporting nost of the canvanha k marshes, in Dauel county, will go up into Minnesota next month for a sup-ply of game fish for Crosent and Blue lakes, in his neighborhood. This will lakes, in his neighborhood. This will entail considerable expense and labor. Mr. Hamilton is in correspondence with parties in the country above mentioned and is deserv-ing of every praise at the hands of sportsmen. To give an idea of the task the gentlemen has cut out for himself, it is but necessary to state the only way the fish he has bargained for can be kept alive in transit is in small cans. Unless the water can be changed frequently, it must be aerated almost continually by dipping up and pouring back in small quantities. As the water gets old this must be done without intermission day and night.

While the jack shooting has been exceedingly stender in this immediate vicinity, some tolerable good kills have been made down in the Wanbuncey country and over in Iowa, round about the old Saw Tooth marshes. A couple of Bluffs sportsmen were at the latter point on Tuesday last, and in a day's shooting pagged over one hundred birds,

emonstrated that he is in the first rank of American trap shooters, will attend the big E. C. tournament at Guttenberg park, New Jersey, May 5, 6, 7, and 8. In addition to \$2,000 offered as added money to the purses, the company will give a silver trophy symbolic of the title of champion clay-bird hot of America. While the wild pigeon is considered about

e good as extinct, they are still occasionally been in small numbers in various localities. we hundred and over were seen on March last, at Mechanicsburg, O., and on March a flock of several thousand were seen traveling south over the same place. They are still found in limited numbers in the Indian Territory and throughout the adja cent states. An occasional bunch is reported from Pennsylvania and western New York. Were they as numerous now as formerly, steps to kill them off would have to be taken. locks of millions have been seen. Each pigeon required nearly a pint of food a day, or five bushels a year, and a hundred mil-lion of them would require five hundred mil-lion bushels of food a year. This is in ordance with estimates made by Audubon There would not be and other naturalists. nough wood nuts to feed them, so they would to to the cornfields, and then good-by to The sportsman mourns, but the farmer has good reason to rejoice. A young lad of 14 wants to know how he

can convince his mother that a gun does not invariably kill the boy who uses it. I might refer him to Dr. Van Ness or Will Simeral, but I won't, but will simply say that to turn a boy loose with a gun would be like giving a baby a hammer and a stick of dynamite, but in every place is to be found some one who is thoroughly familiar with firearms, having been a hunter for years. Nearly always such guns ought to be handled, telling them of the deaths and mainings due to corelessness and ignorance, and of the pleasures of being careful and skillful. With such a man no boy would be in danger even with a loaded gun in his hands. Nor does it take long for the axioms of gun users to become a part of the

ov's learning. It might be well to pay the local sportsman a small sum, and he would gradly take the ingster with sperting blood to the fields, to flush and shoot the pointed bird or kill the hopping rabbit. A good many boys have en injured by trying to hunt alone secretly and even killed, because they did not have proper training. Many a 14-year-old has killed a deer, and there are 10-year-olds a-plenty who break pigeons at the trap in a way surptising to older shooters,

The challenge thrown down by the Council Bluffs Gun club to shoot the Omaha club a series of live-bird team races has been accepted, but as yet the dates for these ev have not been fixed upon. As the Bluffs oportsmen will hereafter use Parmelee's park for their weekly shoots, all these matches will be shot there.

PAXTON HOTEL, April 25 .- To the Sporting Editor of The Bee: Our visit to the Omaha tournament was an event not soon to be forgotten. The management is cer-tainly to be congratulated on the splendid success it has attained. The park, so easy of access from the city, will, in a year or two, be second to the finest shooting park in the United States, viz., Washington park shooting grounds in Kansas City, Mo., where the Missouri State Field and Gun association tournament will be held May 19 to 23, inclusive. Two thousand five hundred dollars in gold and prizes will be added, and the much mooted question of live bird champion-ship of the United States will be cettled, as \$1,000 in gold is guaranteed, and the most valuable, as well as the handsomest, cover given for any shooting event will with the title of champion. extend a cordial invitation to all Omaha shooters to be with us, and will say to Brother Parmelce that if he wins the great Interstate event he will have to shoot race of his life.

G. M. WALDEN, President Missouri State Field and Gun Ae-

Foot Ball in the Mountains. The university club's foot ball team will organize during the present month for a trip to Butte, Mont., on the Fourth of July under the management of that clever, allround athletic, Frank Crawford. While this seems to the denizens of the Missouri valley as a strange time to play foot ball, yet the same trip was taken by the club last Fourth and a most enjoyable time was had, and a good game of ball played.

makes it agreeable for the players as well as the large crowd of spectators which is sure be at the game. Butte is one of the best, if not the best, foot ball towns west of the Mississipp, as all the managers have to do is to arrange a game and the people are sure to turn out in quantities sufficient to pay all expenses and to leave a good sum in

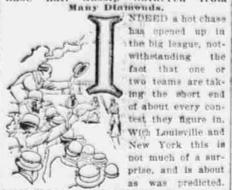
The Butte management is reported to have had \$5,000 in the treasury before they un-dertook the coast trip, being the first of the year and for this they have been criti-cised and called a money-making club, but what club would not like to be that much ahead at any stage of the game.

The Butte team is also charged with being composed of professional and to have hired the best players from all the clubs which have visited them. This is wrong What the Butte team has done is to try to induce these good players to come to Butte, but not by hiring them, but simply finding them some profitable employment, and as them some profitable employment, and as the wages are very high there they have in this way been able to secure about whom they pleased, until at present, under the management of George McMillan, formerly of Leland-Stanford, and with James Hooper of the University of Michigan, as captain, they have the best team west of the Mississippi, not baring Denver.

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simply lived in Butte to play foot hall.

WITH THE PENNANT CHASERS, Base Ball Gossip Sathered from Many Diamonds NUEED a hot chase



Louisville's aggregation of youngeters require easoning, while Freedman's gang of malontents and disturbers have had too much of the article. Before the season opened there was a pretty general warning cry up to watch Philadelphia, and the first week's work justifies this ante-season adnonition. They are playing grand ball, and it would be an emphatic gratification to the line of old guard cranks all over the country to see them keep it up until the flag is nailed. As for Cleveland and Baltimore, it is quite evident that they are not going t prove the bete noir to the was apprehended in some localities. While they will, of course, stack up in formidable shape when they once get the kinks out is unquestionable, but that they will have a valkover in the race is far from probable. Boston, Brooklyn, Chicago, and even Washington, will be found eccounts pretty hard to crack, to say nothing of Buckerino Ew ng's Queen City erew and the Von der Ahea. The Western league and Western appoclation have just started, and it would be uninteresting to undertake to comment on their work or chances. While the Western league looks like a winner, the association starts out on a road that is rocky and dreary in-deed. If all the clubs manage to see the glorious Fourth they will be lucky, indeed.

that will not be at all pleasing to players who like to see big, fat batting averages opposite their names. President Young says that, "in regard to scoring sacrifice bits a loser examination of section I of the scor-ng rules will disclose that sacrifice hits are not exempted from being charged as times at bat. A separate column should be provided for them in tabulated scores." The section referred to above is a part of rule 71, and reads: "The first item in the tabuated score, after the player's name and usition, shall be the number of times he as been at bat during the game. The time ir times when the player has been sort to base by being hit by a pitched ball, by the pitcher's illegal delivery, or by a base on bal's, shall not be included in this column."

The rule further provides that the fourth olumn in the tabulated score shall be se side for sacrifice hits.

President Young has rendered a decision

Although the above rule has been on the ooks since the bunt hit was penalized—and erhaps before-it is not generally recogscorers, nized by scorers, says Zuber in the Times-Star. In Cincinnati as well as a other citica a palpable sacrifice hit on which a runner was advanced a base and in which the batsman was put out was not credited as a time at bat. President Young's unofficial announcement of the proper construction of rule 70 will have the effect of puzzling the scorers, many of whom will not see Mr. Young's statement, and therefore will continue to score a sacrifican not being a time at bat. Players' aver ages will not be uniform if there is any change made on the strength of Mr. Young's opinion. The president of the league would do well to notify official scorers in the varius cities at once of the mistake under which they have been laboring, in order that coring may be uniform, and no players suffer because of the desire of official scorers to be strictly up to date.

Omaha will have its full mete of base ball during the month of May, as Manager Lysle I. Abbott of the University club has about completed arrangements for eleven or twelve games to be played with the best college teams from the neighboring states. Three games will be played with the University of Nebraska May 2, and probably the 15th and 16th. The Nebraska team is said to be exceptionally strong this season. and under the management of Will Hayard is practicing hard every afternoon or the campus at Lincoln.

Falls City thinks that she has gathered an aggregation of stars together which will be in the lead of all Nebraska teams before the end of the season. There is only one local player on the team, so the manager writes, and he is the great Jack Towle, who was Cornell's star center fielder for four years, and also headed the batting list during that time. The rest of the players have been secured from the Western association and the Southern league. This aggregation will be here on May 9, and they have al-ready declared themselves on the game. The Detroit league team has consented to step over and try to redeem themselves for the game last year, when they barely won out in the tenth inning in the game with ur boys.

The State university of Iowa will send a

team from Iowa City for two games on the 22d and 23d of May, and Grinnell will be here on June 5 and 6, while a game is ar-ranged with the State Agricultural college of Ames. Ia., for which the date has not been set. For Decoration day and the day before the Rush Medical college team from Chicago has been booked for three games, and as they have an exceptionally strong college team the University club boys are liable to lose some of the numerous locks which some of the members possess. From the above program it is evident that Omaha will have plenty of good base ball during May and that the University club is trying to arrange games that will please its patrons is patent to all.

Monte Cross is playing a better short for St. Louis than Fred Ely ever did, and, mirable dictu, Ely is playing a better short for Pitteburg than Cross ever did.

Dan Brouthers is doing for Philadelphia just what she hired him for-lamming 'em

Dr. Pond promises to develop into a tower of strength for the Orioles. He made a holy show out of the hard-hitting Brooklyns the other day.

The Metz brothers team is being through a rigid course of training, and will give the Universities a lot of trouble yet before the season is over.

SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF, Council Bluffs, April 24.—To the Base Ball Editor of The Bee: We want to challenge any club in Omaha to play our deaf mute club on Saturthe same trip was taken by the club last Fourth and a most enjoyable time was had, and a good game of ball played.

The chances are more than even for a Base Ball Editor of The Bee: Our team having defeated all confers last year, claims, makes it surrecessly for the players. and is ready to demonstrate the fact that it is the champion of the Eikhorn valley. Any clubs desiring games please state what terms they can offer. We play an Indian club here on May I, and I think, from all accounts, I have discovered a catcher for Ted Sullivan's New Haven pitcher. The man in question is a full-blooded Sloux, never wears a glove, says "the ball is too soft," generally practices with a crequet ball, weighs 215 pounds and is six feet tail.

> Amateur base ball clubs in this city and Amateur base ball cruss in this city and throughout the state will be furnished with The Bee's Ideal score card by calling at of addressing this office. The Bee has always devoted a great deal of space to amateur sports of all kinds, and will continue to do

Jack Haskell is umpiring the Des Moines Rockford games, and his troubles have just

"Yale" Murphy was only four-flushing when he said he intended to retire from base ball. He is with the Bangor, Me.,

The above is written to counteract the impression gained from some of the eastern also as the home of Thos. Slater, whose adjournals that the Butte team was composed vertisement appears on page 11.

BEFORE AND AFTER TAKING

Tales Told by Those Who Visited Schlatter the Healer.

SOME OPINIONS CONCERNING HIS POWERS

Members of the Omaha Contingent Differ in Regard to the Alleged Cures Performed by the Man from the Mountains.

Last winter when the Schlatter craze was on, many people journeyed from this city to Denver to meet the New Mexican healer. The halt, the lame and the blind went out there, hoping that by buying a blessed handherchief or by grasping the hands of Francis Schlatter they would be cured of their aches and Ills. When these people returned most of them declared that if not cured they had seen benefited. In order to ascertain whether or not the cures were permanent, a number of the Schlatter patients have been inerviewed during the past week. James Taylor, residing at 4328 North Portith street, in discussing his cure, said: "I

cratched around and raised enough money to pay my fare to Denver at the time when Schlatter was at the zenith of his glory. I hung round for four hours, standing out in a blustering snow storm. At last my fend hopes were realized, for the long-haired fel-low from the mountains came out, gave me the glad hand, mumbled comething, and I passed on. I felt that I was cured of inmnia, poverty, glanders, corns, septicaer eningitie, endocarditis and an inclination to commit homicide. Returning home I told by wife the glad news, and together laughed and cried. For two weeks I felt like a new man, but one by one my old all-ments returned and in less than a month I was as much of an invalid as ever, notwithstanding the fact that I slept with one of the blessed handkerchiefs wrapped around my neck every night. So far as the Schlatter cure was concerned, it was a delusion and

Mrs. Stephenson, wife of James Stephen. son, will not say that she considers Schlat-ter a fraud, but she is positive that she derived no benefit from his treatment was told while in Denver," said Mrs. said Mrs. Ste henson, "that if I purchased a ticket which would entitle me to a place in the long line which formed daily before Schlatter that I ould forfeit all benefits from his treatment. hether this was a mere superstition or a secry advanced by the faith healers, I can-ot say. It was very largely believed by Schlatter's followers at any rate. I at ength lost patience and purchased my turn a a line of 500 applicants, and resolved to ut the matter to the test. It proved true may case, for his antidote for rhoumatism, chich was said to be so efficacious to hunreds, proved a dismal failure. I returned to Smaha in the same conditon in which I had LAYS IT TO THE CLIMATE.

"Mogy," tae king of the newsboys, and newn to almost everyone who has ever ngered at Fifteenth and Farnam street ore than once, is one of those who sought elief from his worldly ills at the hands of chlatter. Mogy had always been troubled with a game leg, and he thought since chlatter was healing everyone else he would ake a crack at the miraculous cure himself He secured transportation to Denver without difficulty, and, placing his first lieutenant in charge of his boot-blacking and news-paper industries, went to call on Schlatter. He found to his great sorrow on arriving in Denver that the great physician had just de camped for parts unknown. "Megy" was owncast. Here he was far away from home without much money, only to find Schlatter missing. "Mogy" knew he could sell papers with the best of them, even if he did have a lame leg, and for the next two days was busy plying his trade on the streets of Den-ver. At the end of the second day he had \$16 in his inside pocket. He thought he would go after Schlatter, but as no tidings of the whereabouts of the latter could be learned, "Mogy" reluctantly gave up this

He had money to spare, however, so he purchased several handkerchiefs that were said to have been blessed by "the divine healer." He placed these about his leg and says that he soon noticed a most wonderful hange. He declares that n is injured member had always been quite As soon as he laid the handkerchie on it the limb began to grow warm. And this was not all. He had never been able to move his leg freely. Gradually the free while he could move his leg as well as he had ever done before. This improvement was only temporary, however, and all signs of it disappeared soon after "Mogy's" return

Omaha.

The warmth, on the other hand, has re-nained with the limb. The latter, which Mogy" insists was always cold before the application of the handkerchief, is as warm day as any other portion of his body. In reply to a question as to whether he thought the change was due to the presence of the Schlatter-blessed handkerchiefe, "Mogy" re-plied: "Nit. I think the climate out der had more to do wid it dan all de hankichefs."

FAITH IN THE HEALER. A. C. Redmon, a baggageman at the union lepot, is a firm believer in the efficacy of the Denver divine's power to heal. He has a little daughter, Eva. who, when quite young, was afflicted with diphtheria. The sickness permanently injured her hearing and affected her threat to such an extent that speech was nearly impossible. Last November Redmon took his daughter to Schlatter for treatment, and he says a wonderful cure was effected. The benefits wonderful cure was effected. The benefits, though not permanent in toto, have proven largely so, and Mr. Redmon considers the child in a fair way to complete recovery.

R. T. Powers, conductor of the Union R. T. Powers, conductor of the Union Pacific Overland, seldom refers to Schlatter and his wondrous cures, even to his most intimate friends. His experience in this line has been peculiar. Among the many things which lend a charm to Mr. Powers' personality none in the past have been more prominent than a pair of thick, goldrimmed glasses through which he is wont to beam in a kindly manner upon his friends. This, however, proved inconvenient to Mr. Powers when he had occasion to read fine print, and he decided to test the healing virtues of Schiatter's methods. Upon leaving Omaha he was commissioned by the mother of an afflicted girl, residing near Eleventh and Pierce streats, to procure for her a handkerchief, blessed by the Denverdivine. This was to be used in reducing a large swelling on the neck of the child. large swelling on the neck of the child. The magnetic fluid is said to have permeated the person of Powers like an electric shock as he leaned against Alderman Ford's fersee and shook hands with the prophet. Spectacles were cast aside, the handkerchief duly blessed, and another miracle was re-corded to the credit of Schlatter. Upon the return trip to this city the happy railroad man gave proof of his restored powers by reading station signs at long distances, while nonparell and minion type at short range was a picnic. At Grand Island, so the jokers will have it, the handkerchief imbued with healing virtues mysteriously disappeared and the conductor, in a quandary, and not wishing to disappoint his patient at home, replaced the article at a country dry goods store. Arriving in Omaha, Mr. Powers, in store. Arriving in Omaha, Mr. Powers, in attempting to read a telegram, was surprised to find that his newly acquired cure had taken upon itself wings. Burnishing up the discarded glasses, he hastily betook himself to the rear of the station house in order to read his instructions and at the same time avoid the suspicion that would naturally arise in the minds of the confidence of his former statements. The handdants of his former statements. The hand kerchief, however, was duly delivered, an so, and managers and scorers will govern themselves accordingly. The Bee wants the scores of every amateur game played in this city or state.

Among the most remarkable cures which is said to have produced lasting benefits to the recipient is that of R. R. Sutherland, local division superintendent of the Union Pacific. Nearly two years ago Mr. Sutherland was in-jured in a railroad wreck in which his spine became affected. The injuries caused his bearing and eyes to grow defective. Upon one visit of only two minutes' duration to Schlatter he says both his vision and hears ing were completely restored. There has been so change in Mr. Sutherland's condition

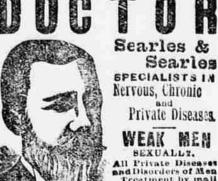
up to the present time and he is firmly of the opinion that the cure is permanent. also recounts two other cures as wonderful as his own case. Henry Boeticher, section foreman of the Union Pacific at Gardner station, was afflicted with rheumatism so badly that he was obliged to be carried to the train upon leaving home in order to visit Schlatter. One contact with the Denver healer was sufficient to place him upon his feet in perfect health and he had no return of his former affliction up to the present time. H. L. McMeans, sta-tion agent of the Union Pacific at Grand Island, who was treated by Schlatter for al-most total deatness, reports that he was much benefited by the healer and that al-though his cure is not complete he thinks the partial restoration of his sense of hear-Test is an enthusiast on the

ject of the Denver healer and contends that the benefits he derived were not of a fleeting character.

have been troubled for a great years," said Mr. Test, "with my threat, which at times made speech nearly an im-possibility, and have also been a trifle hard of hearing. At the solicitation of friends who had received treatment at the hands of Schlatter, I decided to test his powers. When I reached Denver and succeeded in getting a osition in the line of sufferers before Alde man Ford's cottage, I confess I was not very sanguine of a cure at the hands of the kocalled Messiah, but the moment he placed my hand between his own I realized that he was a man who possessed a large amount of animal magnetism. The current passing from his body to my own was strong enough to be easily felt and continued during the entire interval of contact.

"My power of speech was much improved and has remained so to the present day. My hearing was likewise improved, but the re-sults in the occord instance have not been as lasting as in the first. One of the re-markable cures I witnessed while in Denver was that of J. B. Hanly of Ellsworth, Kan-He was in the rame line in which I stood. Hanly was afflicted with a form of hip disease, usually considered very difficult to cure He walked upon crutches and had, I understood, been afflicted in this manner for a number of years. He threw away his crutches upon leaving Schlatter and I have heard that his cure proved permanent."

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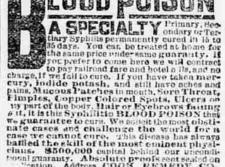


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