## THE OMAHA DAILY BEE: SUNDAY, MARCH 27, 1898.

In another week the members of the branch of the playing season with as much patience as possible. The only news matter that is banging fire is the acquisition of a first baseman that will fill Tucker's shoes, and although there is nothing to say at this time beyond what has already been said in that connection, it is expected that a definite announcement will be promulgated in a few days. Aside from this point the Omaha team is the exceedient shape and is now much nearer

being ready to play ball than the other Western league teams. Every report that comes from the men is encouraging and there in no doubt that Manager O'Brien has got together a team that will sustain the honor of the city. All the men are taking good care of themselves and are not waiting until their pay begins to get into condition. Bat Masterson was in town the other day on his way east and he brought a most encouraging report of Eustace and Roat, whom he saw at Hot Springs. Masterson says that both men are in the pink of condition. Reat's arm promises to be all right and Eustace is as fit to play ball as any man that ever stepped into a diamond. If this is the case, Omaha's infield will be all right for these two in good condition with McKinney and a first class first baseman will certainly make a combination that will make infield hits pretty scarce.

As a matter of fact, Manager O'Brien is entitled to no little credit for getting to-gether so strong a team. It is very nearly an impossibility to organize a new team that winning ball in such rapid company as the Western league, but there is every reason to believe that Manager O'Brien has succeeded in doing it. Aside from the vacancy on first base, the team is stronger than at least two of the other Western league teams, and there is no reason why it should not win a fair proportion of the games from the start. None of them have any better backstop than "Pop" McCauley and Fisher. Hemming and Hagerman constitute as good a trio of pitchers as there is in the league. The infield will be fully as strong as the average and we are sure of at least two good, hard hitting outfielders. The team is above the average in batting and Manager O'Brien has a string to pull that will very shortly when the team shows up in practice. Alto-gether, the Omaha public has every reason to congratulate itself and it should recipro-cate by giving the management a patronage sufficiently liberal to warrant the efforts that have been made to give the city a team that repair any weakness that may be apparent

# The improvements at the Ames Avenue park are progressing rapidly and in a few days more the grounds will be enclosed and the diamond will be ready for practice. The grounds look bigger than ever since they have been staked off and if the game is not played for all it is worth it will not be for lack of room. The diamond and outfield are fast getting into shape under the big roller and before the end of the week the fence will be up and the carpenters will be at work on the grand stand.

In common with other managers, Manager O'Brien is just now undergoing the ante-season leg-pulling process induced by the fact that the festive ball player has long ago wasted his substance and spends his time in writing for chunks of advance money to tide him over until the ghost begins to walk

CETTINC READY FOR PLAY
Base Ball Men Eagerly Anticipate the Coming Susson.
CMAHA TEAM WILL SOON BEGIN PRACTICE
Mannger O'Brien Has a Likely Lot to Start Work with and Hass. Prospect of Making it Better.
Th another week the members of the Omaha tase ball team will report for duty and from that time until the season opens they will be in active training. In the meantime
Woods, left field and pitcher; Hernon, Zearfoss, Warren and Criger, State Concoran, Shortstop; Irwin, third base; Methers, Science and Mahaffy pitchers; Better, Concoran, Shortstop; Irwin, third base; Methers, State Work, with and Hass, Brospect of Making it Better.

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extra. Philadelphia-Orth, Donohue, Wheeler, Philadelphia-Orth, Donohue, Wheeler, Philadelphia-Orth, Dongleby and Jimeson, Bernhardt, Murphy, Duggleby and Jimeson, pitchers; "Jack" Boyle, McFarlaid, Boyle, McFarlaid, Bernhardt, Murphy, Dugley, McFarlaid, Douglass, Fisher, Fox and Stallings, catch-ers: Lajole, Abbatichio, Nash, Childs, Elberfield, M. Cross, infielders; Delehanty, Cooley, Thompson, Flick and Tate, outfield-

Cooley, Thompson, Filck and Tate, outfield-ers. St. Louis-Sugden, Clements and Clifford, catchers; Sudhoff, Danlels, Coleman, Taylor, Göpatrick, Esper, Hugey and Carsey, pitch-ers; Laily, first base; Crooks and Houseman, second base; L. Cross and Hall, shortstop; Donnelly, third base; Turner, Dowd, Genins, Holmes and Harley, outfielders. Washington-McGuire, Farrell and Snyder, catchers; Amole, Bresnahan, Mercer, Swain, Coniff, Dimeen and Donovan, pitchers; Doyle, first base; Heitz, second base; Lehay, third base; Wrigley, shortstop; Gettman, Brown, Selbach and McHale, outfielders; Casey, Wagner and White, extras.

### Popups.

St. Joe has a new ball park which will include a quarter mile bleycle track.

It is unofficially stated that "Lazy Bill" Datilen will captain the Chicago team. Pitcher George E. Waddell, shifted by Louisville to Detroit, has accepted the latter club's terms.

Manager Sullivan of Dubuque expects get George Brown from Hanlon to head his pitching corps. Burlington has secured Third Baseman

Delehanty from the Paterson, N. J., club in exchange for Pitcher Coons.

Your old friend, Bobby Langsford, cently released by Toledo, has found a haven with New Orleans in the Southern league. Bob White of Burlington has signed with Atlanta, on the ground that no Burlington contract had been tendered him by March 1. If Second Baseman O'Brien is awarded to Syracuse by President Pat Powers that club will have two O'Briens-and both John J's. The Minneapolis club has given Pitcher

The uniforms of the Omaha club have been selected and will be ready for use in due season. They will be gray with red trimmings and stockings.

"Count" Campau, who will captain Gus Schmelz's Millers this year, is in New Or-leans following the races, as usual. Campau will play right garden as of yore. "Adonis" Terry will only pitch in home games for Milwaukee this year. He has a billiard parlor and proposes to attend to that while the team is out of town.

Charley Cushman picks Reidy as the com ing star twirler of the Western league. That is a little hard luck for Reldy, as "Cush" hasn't been picking winners for quite a while. Indianapolis has signed an amateur who is credited with winning every game he pitched lions and marcs in sight during the last last season. Judging by previous experiences three years, and they are now trying to buy with phenoms, it would not be surprising if Stamboul, 2:07%, the former champion of Brewer and Gilbert were the only ones who he evened things up by losing them all this trotting champions and the present cham-Eustace is still at Hot Springs and is get-ting in better shape than he has been before in some time. If he keeps up his present bablis he will be plenty fast enough and if Decker is secured the Omaha infield will be as strong as could be desired. pion of the show ring. His owner, E. H. Harriman, has been saked within a few days to price the horse for export, but the stately style and extreme speed which the foreigners so much admire are also appreciated by the New York horseman, and it will cost to take him across the Atlantic a good deal A new Pacific coast league has been formed with eight good towns in the procession. It is a significant fact that nearly every base ball organization that ever existed is in line this year in one form or another and any num-ber of new leagues are in the field. more money than European buyers have yet paid for any trotter in America. Stamboul has twice been sold for upward of \$40,000, and he was the first trotter that ever changed hands for \$50,000. The continued export of trotters of the highest class has lately led to talk about They are already rapping against Tommy Tucker in Brooklyn. In Chance had a lot of friends who did not like to see him superseded and they are making it as disagreeable for Tucker as possible. Meantime La Chance is being received in St. Louis as a better man Pat Wright's Peoria team sizes up as fol-lows: Roach, Talbot, Redmond, McGinnity and Blincoe, pitchers; Sage, Cadagan and Quinn catchers; Wright, first base; Truby, second base; Burke, third base; Oswald, short-stop; Seisler, Chambers, Gallagter and Con-mor suitaid than Tommy. their purchases are usually the best and fastest trotters among the offerings. They buy no pacers, the sidewheelers being looked

extend an interest in it among the high schools of this terirtory that shall result in the upbuilding of the sport among the high echools of the west. Harvard and the University of Pennsyl vania have definitely decided to play their annual foot ball game this year on November 5, which will create some surprise in the college world, as it is an unexpected departure from the usual custom of playing on the Saturday before Thankagiving day. on the Saturday before Thanksgiving day. As Yale and Princeton have arranged to play on November 12 and Harvard and Yale on November 19, it looks as though Princeton and Harvard will not play after all. That will leave only one big game for Princeton. unless negotiaticos for a battle with University of Pennsylvania are opened the ween now and next fall. With Harvard and Yale both playing two hard games, there is

no reason why Princeton and old Penn should not do the same. A meeting be-tween the latter rivals would draw a large crowd. There appears to be no reason why the Princeton Faculty Athletic committee still adheres to the edict issued in 1894, imnediately after the memorable game at Tren-

Captain Kelly of the Princeton eleven. meanwhile, has openly advocated the ar-rangement of a game, especially in view of the failure of the Tigers to renew relations with Harvard. According to authentic reports, Princeton will meet Cornell at home on October 22, and will probably play the

strong Brown university team on November , one week before the battle with Yale. A game with the Carlisle Indians may be arranged for October 29, though nothing definite has been decided upon. With such a schedule in effect the Tigers' foot ball season would wind up on the unusually early date of November 12, which would not be generally approved by Princetonians. Captain Kelly's suggestion, therefore, that a game should be arranged with the University of Ponnsylvania, to be played either on November 19 or Thanksgiving day, is meeting with a great deal of support from alumni and independuates who believe that such a conest is needed in the interest of sport.

Frank Morse, one of the most famous alfbacks who ever wore the orange and black, expresses himself as decided y in favor of a renewal of foot ball games with Prensylvania. "I thick Princeton and Pennsyl-vania should come together by all means." said Morse. "People do not care to be

harassed by constant and prolonged blokerings in college sport. Very naturally there are red tape and diplomacy connected with t, but there can be too much of them. College sport is the representative sport of America. More than any other branch it reaches the Henley idea, for those who en-gage in it receive only glory, not money. It is such sport in which Americans take a leep interest, and they do not like too much red tape and diplomacy exercised in arranging contests. With colleges governed by the same rules there should be little hesitation is coming together to settle the ouestion of superiority. Under the came rules as to eligibility of players, there is no reason why Princeton should not meet Pennsylvania again. With time and age

imits placed on contestants, ceither versity would have any advantage. It would be a case of youth against youth, and not of youth against man.' The New York Sun throws this dainty little bouquet at Briggs, the 128-pound oarsman who stroked Cornell to victory last year: 'The news that Briggs will stroke the Cor-

ell 'varsity crew again this year has boomed he stock of Courtney's eight among cowing men who saw Briggs in the shell at Pough-keepsie last year. That this young man is one of the most accomplished oarsmen that ever sat on a sliding seat is the prevailing opinion at Ithaca, where the confi-dence in this year's crew is unlimited."

AMONG HORSES AND HORSEMEN.

European Buyers Getting the Better of American Trotting Stallions. European horsemen have taken away from this country many of the beat trotting stal-

Hal Pointer was-11 years old when he paced in 2.051/2 in 1895. The New Orleans meeting did not develop

ne first class 3-year-old. Jockey "Tod" Sloane won five out of the ix races at San Francisco on Monday of his week.

A representative of the Spanish govern-ment is reported to have been in Minne-sota recently to purchase high grade horses for the use of the Spanish in Cuba.

A new track for the use of harness horses has been built at London, Eng., the outfit costing \$100,000. It, will be opened in April with a pacing and trotting meeting. When Star Pointer paced his mile 1:5914 at Readville, August 28, 1897, he was shod as follows: The front shoes were bar shoes and weighed seven and one-half ounces with a toe clip and toe and heel calks on. The hind shoes were plain shoes, weighing five ounces, with toe and heel calks on Prince Poniatowski, who a few years ago was one of the crack gentlemen jockeys in France, has bought and will shortly ship to France a frie collection of American thoroughbred mares, which he intends to mate with French stallions, believing that they will produce better steeplechasers than na-

live-bred French mates. WITH THE SHOTGUN EXPERTS.

Fulford Wins the Big Handlenp with Loomis of Omaha Second.

The event of the week in trap shooting circles was the event of the year as well. No shooting tournament in the world brings together a bigger crowd of cracks than the Grand American handicap, and the man who s fortunate enough to win out against this tremendous competition can certainly be fairly entitled to congratulations. The man who carried off the big money this year was E. D. Fulford of Utica, N. Y., who has for a number of years been conceded to rank among the very best marksmen in the United States. He has been a prominent figure at all the big tournaments of recent years and has some of the highest scores to his credit of any shorter in the country. He became famous a few years ago by killing 100 birds straight in a match with Captain J. L. Brewer and ninety-nine straight in another He claims a run, including those shot in practice, of 250 successive kills within the regulation boundary.

This year the competition for the big prize was even more exciting than usual. men shot out the original string of twenty-five birds without a miss and Mr. Fulford had to kill twenty-three straight in the shoot-off before he remained the winner. George W. Loomis of Omaha was one of the the last man to go down. Although he failed to win the blg race, he proved himself to be one of the very best live bird shots in the country. Loomis has been shooting lately at a pace that puts him in the champion class or sure, and no marksman in the world can be sure of beating him.

Parmalce didn't start in the big race, but he evened things up by beating the redoubt-able Brewer in a 100-bird race by 94 to 90. Brewer and Fred Gilbert both shot from the thirty-two-yard line in the big race and tied at twenty-three birds each. It is stated that

a match between the two men was arranged during the week and that it will be shot off at Watson's grounds near Chicago sometime in April. If this is the case it will be a race worth going to see, for after all that has been said in regard to the comparative abilities of the contestants it is a dead open and shut cinch that each of them will be out for the money. And it comes pretty near being an even bet that the "jack rabbit" shooter will make Brewer wish he had had ittle less to say before the last bird is killed.

Parmalee's creditable victory over Captain Brewer has set the local talent to talking again of a match between "Buffalo Hump" and Fred Gilbert. Parmalee has not been communicated with on the subject, but it is believed that he will be willing to go against the lowa champion if a race can be arranged.

Among the handlcaps handed out by the

scene of the gridiron battles there will be no use of half-freezing to death on the side inex, and leaving the grounds after a poor view of a game, with some regret and a pair of cold feet. The officers of the recently organized Interscholastic Foot Ball leave of Nebraska and Iowa have a golden oppor-tunity to make friends for the game and to extend an interest in it among the high schools of this terirtory that shall result in

have to meet Corbett again before he can with three wins and his opponent soon evened amateur. V, have on to the championship. That fight at matters up. The play of each is of a high ship in 1896. Carson City did not settle the matter in the standard, Pillsbury excelling in his accuracy minds of the people. When I say this, too, and quickness in taking opportunities. The international due credit to Fitz, for he fought a with game, which follows, was drawn at week, comment corbett gave a good run for the money that K to Q2 forcing an exchange of continue week, comment week, comment of the people.

Corbett gave a good run for the money that was on him, though. In the first place, he had men in his corner who were sufficient to defeat him—all working at cross purposes. I QUEEN'S PAWN OPENING.

don't say that Corbett will whip Fitzsimmons but I do say that the latter ought to be will-White, Showalter. 1-P to Q 4. 2-P to K 3. demands it. And certainly the public ought

3-B to Q 3. 4-P to K B 4. 5-Kt. to K B 3. 6-P takes Kt 7-Castles to be consulted in the matter, for the purses for which the pugilists fight is not put up by them or the promoters of the affairs, but by B to Q 2 the public. "What does Fitzsimmons' reply to both Mc-Coy and Corbett that they should go fight -R to B s -P takes P somebody else first really amount to anyway?

t. to to K takes Suppose they met Peter Maher and were de-feated by him. Would that help Fitzsimmons out? On the contrary the public would be demanding a fight between Fitz and Maher Kt. take R takes B. -R to Q B 3. -Q to B sq. -K R takes Q. -K to B 2. -K to K 2. before they would admit the former's pre-eminence. There is but one thing for Fitz to do. That is for him to accept every chal-lenge which is backed up by the right amount of coin.

-R to R 2. -R to B 7. -R takes R. -B to Kt 4. "Peter Maher is looming up strong. He is the man that I would like to see against Sharkey. He is the only man in my opinion B to B R to B who could lick Sharkey at his own game if  $\begin{array}{c} 27 - B & \text{to } Q & 6 \\ 28 - B & \text{to } B & 7 & (\text{ch}). \\ 29 - K & \text{to } Q & 2. \\ 30 - P & \text{to } Q & 4. \end{array}$ anybody can. I doubt very much, however, if the sailor can ever get a dight which will not be ended by the police. He is a giant, and when things go against him he will resort 31-Drawn.

to all kinds of foul tactics to even things up. I doubt very much if Jeffries will be put against him, because the coast people have had about enough of the sailor boy." Lincoln: White to play and mate in three

Poor old Peter Jackson has paid the penalty not always to the strong.' Technically, it is not always to the strong in the battle is not a good problem, as there are some superthirty-seventh year, he is far, far from being the mon he was six years ago, when he bested Slavin in London. He was a great fighter in his day, but that day was apparently gone, when a young man barely in his 20s, and with none of his science is able to knock him out in three rounds. One can't tell from this distance just why the fight was put on, but it does look as if Jackson was picked up simply because it was known that his name would attract a crowd. This

Joe Walcott is anxious to arrange a match with either Jack Daly or George Lavigne on the same terms as the recent battle in Cleveland, namely, weigh in at 137 pounds at 6 o'clock on the day of contest. Tom O'Rourke is of the opinion that the gruelling Lavigne got from Walcott has taken a lot of steam got from out the Kid, and believes that in another match Lavigne will be beaten by the Barbadoes wonder.

> ACTIVITY OF OMAHA CRICKETERS. Already Completing Details for the Great Tournament da July.

Final arrangements have been made for the greatest cricket tournament ever held

lenge.

make the journey. Braid is considered the leading professional in England. In the last open championship in England he finished one stroke behind the winner, who was an amateur. Vardon won the open champions

The international fencing tournament will be held in New York during the coming week, commencing Tuesday. The star of the tourney will be Prof. G. Pavese, who will meet all comers on the opening night, tak-ing no rest except the few minutes that will elapse between matches. This is the most daring offer made by any swordsman in this country. In the various bouts the Italian will use fol's, broads words and can s. Paves won the calmpionship belt in this country, defeating the greatest fencing masters of America, including Duncan C. Ross, Prot McMahon and Captain Oscar.

Black, Pillsbury.

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11-P takes P. 12-Kt to Q 2. 13-Kt takes Kt. 14-B to R 3. 15-B takes Kt. 16-Q to Kt 3. 17-Qtakes Kt. B 18-Q takes Q. 19-K R to B sq. 20-K to B sq. 20-K to K sq. 22-R takes R. 23-B to Kt 4. 24-B to Q 2. 25-K to Q sq.

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### Whist Notes.

A communication has been received by the Omaha Whist club from the Union-Commer-cial club of Lincoln relative to the formation of a state association of whist clubs. Its purpose will be to promote a closer relationship among its members and to arouse a greater interest in the scientific pursuit of whist. According to the circular sent out its is proposed to have a meeting for the purpose of organization about April 15, provided sufof organization about April 15, provided sur-ficient encouragement is received to assure its success. A committee composed of Messrs. M. I. Aitken, M. L. Blackburn, W. C. Wilson, J. H. Harley and Benton Maret in busy sending out letters to whist players throughout the state to discover whether a sufficient number will join such an associasufficient number will join such an association.

It is proposed at this meeting to have three contests-one for teams of four, only one team from each club being eligible; one of Problem, No. 17, by C. Q. DeFrance of pairs, in which any number of pairs may enter from clubs belonging to the association, and a free-for-all contest for pairs. Arrangemoves. The author says, "I would suggest as a motto for this problem, 'The battle is ments will be made whereby players residing in towns where there is no organized club may become associate members of the asso-ciation, but it is desired that each town will fluous pieces; but I wish to emphasize the fact that position is often better than potenorganize a club and send at least a full team of four. A complete program with dates of meeting and arrangement of contests will be sent to these who signify their interest in the matter by corresponding with M. I. Alt-

ken, chairman of the committee. The matter was favorably acted upon by the matter was averably acted upon by the Omaha club and a representation will be present from this city. One of the local players expressed his satisfaction that a movement of the sort had been begun. He added that to his knowledge there were thirty towns in Nebraska which would be glad to ally themselves with such an organization for mutual pleasure and profit. State organizations, he said, have been formed in almost every eastern state and competitive meets have been carried on with excellent success. The association would be under the general supervision of the American Whist eague, an organization which now numbers 15,000 members. Another reason for a state alliance is to provide for the reception of the annual meet of the Central Whist association. comprising the states of Iowa, Missouri, Ne-braska and the Dakotas, which it is believed will meet in Omaha in February, 1899. The meeting last year was held at Des Moines, at which 200 delegates were in attendance for several days.

In the following position, from the Philathe greatest cricket tournament ever held delphia Press, hearts are trumps. N is to in Omaha or any other transmissouri city. | lead, and, with S for a partner, to take all The annual tournament of the Northwestern | six tricks:

> 8-4, 2. C-J. H-4. D-7, 6. W. E. S. C-K, 10, 9, H-6, D-8,3, C-A. 8. H-3, 2. D-5, 4.

his withdrawal one of the idols of the sport-ing public will be gone. He made what might be called his professional debut in 1834, when, a boy of 14, he lost in a one-round battle to the budding 16-year-old Jin Corbett. Since that time he has fought pretty nearly all the top notchers of the ring, and has always come out with great credit and many laurels. And every afternoon of the five days. This tournament will bring out some of the star tournament will bring out some of the star sepected that the winning team will necessarily be considerably above the grade tring, and has always come out with great credit and many laurels. The solution to the problem published last tournament will bring out some of the star tournament will bring out some of the star tricket players of the United States, and it is expected that the winning team will necessarily be considerably above the grade tricket association. Omaha has strength-tened its team very much this year, and reasonably expects to get a look at the pen-nent if it does not finally land it. nant if it does not finally land it. lead On July 25 the great international cricket card.

The Christian Advocate says that "a do-

supposition is strengthened by the fact that just one year ago Jeffries refused to fight Bob Armstrong, because he is colored.

Tomorrow night Kid McCoy and Jack Bonner, a Philadolphia middleweight, are to meet in New Orleans for a \$2,000 purse. Judging from the showing that this muchcomed Bonner made in the east recently

with a man never heard of before McCo should find his man decidedly easy. After this scrap, McCoy is to take on Ruhlen, and then he will be confronted with the proposi-

tion of what he is to do with Maher's chal-

Cricket Association of the United States and Joe Choynski, the hero of fifty ring battles is reported to be out of it forever. Blood poisoning, alleged to have resulted from al-most continuous training for over a dozen years, has brought him to the hands of a Canada will take place in this city on July 18, 19, 20, 21 and 22. In this tournament match games will be played among the teams representing Omaha, Denvor, Minneapolis, Chicago and Manitoba, surgeon. If he recovers from the operation Canada. There will be two games played every the physician says that he can never train day, calling for the playing of four teams again without endangering his life. With and the resting of one team every morning the physician says that he can never with again without endangering his life. With his withdrawal one of the idols of the sport-ins withdrawal one of the idols of the sport-tournament will bring out some of the star tournament will bring out some of the stars, and it

The Philadelphia Record printed the fol-lowing last week: "Mike Gallagher is the name of a big young fellow from Nebraska who has just arrived in town. He has been players of the four American teams contest-players of the four American teams contest-

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to walk About three out of four of the letters that he receives from the players contain more or less vigorous demands for pecuniary favors, but O'Brien has been in the business long enough to know that the less money a man has beyond the amount actually necessary to allow him to report the better condi-tion he will be in to play ball. Astute

managers long ago quit handing out big elices of advance money, which very fre-quently serve no better purpose than to create a temporary paule in the booze

"Pop" McCauley writes that he is in splendid condition and fit to play his best. He is now working off his superfluous fiesh at his home in Massachusetts and expects to land in Omaha ready to play the game from the jump. Manager O'Brien also had a letter from Chauncey Fisher during the week. Fisher also declares himself as al-most in trim to put 'em over, and as he is among those whose contracts have al-ready been executed, he is occasioning the management no trouble. home in Massachusetts and expects management no trouble.

It is not quite as easy with Hemming, who has so far neglected to affix his eignature to a contract. The transfer to the Western league means a material cut in salary for Hemming, and he is evidently inclined to put the matter off until the last minute in the hope that something may happen to save that Hemming will probably get in line all right before long, and as soon as his con-tract is received Omaha will have a trio of pitchers that will be good enough for any-

Third Baseman McKinney, who was in the city one day during the week, adds his judg-ment to what has already been said of Hagerman. He played with him all last season at Grand Rapids and is positive that he will make a star twirler. He is steady n any emergency and with a first-class team

in any emergency and with a first-class team behind him ought to be a winner. McKinney himself was regarded with a good deal of interest by the few fans who met him as the first Omaha player to put in the first of the first of the first of the first an appearance. His appearance fully justi-fied the estimation in which he appears to be field the estimation in which he appears to be held by the managers who have been trying to get him away from Omaha. He is a sturdily built and very gentlemanly young fellow, and has evidently been taking good care of himcelf. He has a brother at Hastings with whom he is spending a week or two, and returns to Omaha the first of the month.

W. F. Jordan, who has been signed by Manager O'Brien as "Pop" McCauley's under-study, is said to be fully capable of holding his own as a backstop. He played succers-fully with Minneapolis and afterward with the Lendon, Ontario, club. He is a brother of President Jordan of the Omaha Board of

The National league clubs have pretty generally sized up their players and most of the managers have practically decided on the outlines of their teams as they will line up at the call of time. In view of the un-usual number of transfers and the marked infusion of new blood it will be of interest to glance over the following outline of the makeup of the clubs as they stand at makeup of the clubs as they stand at present:

Boston-Nicho's, Stivetts, Lewis, Klobe-dans, Willis, Jim Sullivan, Hickman, Pit-tenger and Mills, pitchers; Bergen, Ganzel and Yeager, catchers; Tenney, first base; Lowe, second base; Collins, third base; Long, shortstop; Duffy, Hamilton and Stahi, out-fielders; Kelster, utility. Baltimore-Robinson, Clarke and Bower-man, catchers; Corbett, Pond, McJames, Nops, Huges, Kitson and Hoffer, pitchers; McGann, first base; De Monireville, second base; McGraw, third base; Jennings short-stop; Keeler, Kelly and Stenzel, outfielders; Oulnn, O'Brien and Maul, extrus. Brookyn-Grim, Ryan, Burrell and A. Smith, catchers; Dunn, Payne, Kennedy, Horton, Miller and Hansford, pitchers; La Chance and Tucker, first base; Hallman, second base; Shindle, third base; G. Smith, Sheckard and Yeager, shortstop; Griffin, Jones and Anderson, outfielders; Hannivan, utility.

utility, Chicago-Kittridge, Donahue and Chance, catchers; Isbel, pitcher and general player; Callahan, pitcher and utility man: Friend, Griffith and Briggs, pitchers; Thornton, pitcher and outhelder; Myers, catcher and first baseman; Decker, first base and left field: Connor, second; Everitt, third base; Dahlen, shortstop; McCormick, general in-Belder; Ryan, right Geld; Lange, center field;

pon as mongrels on the other side of the rater. The harness racing interest has Manager Burns has announced his intention to play one catcher until he is played out or injured instead of changing off every day or water. lately grown to such proportions in Russia, France, Austria and Germany that a good two. He argues that the constant practice keeps the receiving end of the battery in better form than if he laid off every other horse can win more money there than he can in the United States, the original home of the trotter. American horses are, howbetter form than if he laid off every other day and that his batting eye is better for the ever, barred from many of the most impor-tant races, while they are frequently handl-cupped so that they cannot possibly win in contests which are open to them.

FOOT BALL FOR NEXT SEASON. Plans Already Under Way for the Ball

Gridiron Campaign. It is a matter of some gratification to the Omahans who have interested themselves in

nor, outfield.

The biggest foreign campaign ever at-tempted by American horses opened last Tuesday at London, when the first notable event of the racing season was decided. Only one American horse owned by an American started in the race. This was J. R. Keene's Voter. He made a mighty bad showing, for he finished eleventh in the fourteen which started. He had to be lead to the post, and left at the tale end of the bunch. He is a 4-year-old, and won the Metropolitan handi-cap at Morvis Park last spring. the movement to form an Interscholastic Foot Ball league among the leading high school teams of Nebraska and Iowa to learn that the meeting for organzation recently held in Omaha was such an auspicious success. The thorough manner in which the pi'eliminary work was accomplished augurs ap at Morvis Park last spring. well for the future success of the organiza-It is doubtful whether the prospects for a tion. Indeed it now appears that the scheme suggested in this department of The Bee some months ago will be carried out good racing season were ever as bright in the east as they are today. The stake events are crowded with entries, so much so that to the letter.

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to be run off in sections. This is in the face of the fact that additional stakes have been offered by a number of associations. The promise is, therefore, that the coming season will be as successful, if not more so, than the last The schedule of games among the high school teams of Omaha, Lincoln and Tekamah in one section of the league and of Council Bluffs, Red Oak and Nebraska City in the other section is certainly a strong one. The games are bound to be interesting, and if than the last.

they do nothing more than to stimulate a healthy rivalry in foot ball among the high schools hereabouts the chief object in view will have been reached. Not only will the games of each section afford more good foot The special committee of the San Fran-cisco Board of Supervisors, to which was re-ferred the order restricting racing in that city to forty-eight days in any one year, and abolishing women's day at the race track, has decided to report in favor of its passage. ball than has ever before been presented by the school boys of this section of the has decided to report in favor of its passage. It appears that a majority of the board is in favor of the ordinance, and it probably will be quickly made a law. This will affect the Ingleside course only, as the other track is across the bay and in another county. west, but the final contest for the supremacy of the league between the winners of each section should prove to be the greatest game ever played between two western high school foot ball elevens.

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were placed at the thirty-two-yard line. Ful-ford shot at twenty-nine yards; Elliott, thirty-one; Parmalee, thirty; Leomis, twenty-eight; Helkes, thirty; Budd, thirty; Grimm, thirty.

Wonder what Brewer thinks about "jack-rabbit" shooters since he went against Par-malce and got so beautifully laid out?

The American Field swears to this: "Fri day night of last week thousands of wild geese in flight were attracted by the electric lights of Topeka, Kan., and descended upon the city in a bewildered condition, flying about the streets and honking. Every man highest class has lately led to talk about asking congress to put an export duty on mares and stallions. The veteran horseman, Peter C. Kellogg, is among those who are advocating such a measure. He says the foreign demand is becoming so great that it threatens to take away the cream of the breeding stock here if not checked in some way. As many as ten or a dozen different buyers from Europe have attended some of the recent public sales in New York, and their purchases are usually the best and

and the continual winds that raised the dust and kept it whirling in blinding eddies have kept the bulk of the local guns in the racks. The weather has not been favorable for duck shooting, but the few enthusiasts who were courageous enough to with fairly good bags. us enough to go anyhow came back

Frank Slefkin, Harry Root and F. J. Vette are spending a few days out in the sandhills near Crawford after ducks.

President W. W. Bingham of the city council and County Commissioner Harte put in one day at Noble's lake. They killed seventeen ducks during the day and were well satisfied with their outing.

either a canvasback or a crow.

BLATHER OF THE PUGILISTS

city during the latter part of last week for the first time in the last twelve years. He came from Hot Springs, Ark., where spent the winter, and was on his way to

ready to remove to Spokane. Bat got on pretty good terms with Kid McCoy during his visit at Hot Springs and he comes away with a very high opinion of the pugilistic ablity, of that young man. He refereed the kid's fight with Burley, and from that and his training secured a pretty good line of his powers. Bat mays unhesi-tatingly that the kid ought to be able to give Fitzelmmons a stiff argument. "McCoy is a two-hanced fighter, strong and a hard punches." he says. "More than that, he is coolhemic and calculating. Peo-ple say that Burley is nothing but a stiff, but.

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been completed in a sportsmanlike and scholarly way and to the increased popu-larity of the game. The match between teams representative of the United States and Great Britain was settled, as noted a week ago, in favor of the Englishmen. A gallant fight was made by the Americans, but Ball club for the use of the grounds on the days named, the home team playing away from home on those days. The regular practice games of the Omaha Cricket club will be commenced on Saturday, April 9, on the grounds of the club on the Kountze tract. Five new members were elected to the club at the last meeting, and there is every prospect of unusual activity in cricket circles the advantage gained by their opponents on the first day was too much to be overcome and they ended one game behind. during the exposition year.

General Sporting Gossin. The Showalter-Pillsbury match has been vigorously contested, Pillsbury having on the whole the better success. The latter Eastern golf clubs are endeavoring to introduce a new feature in this season's golf play. This is to have two of the most uses the aggressive queen's gambit, while the Kentuckian relies on the more conserva-tive P to Q4, P to K3, B to Q3 and P to prominent English professionals visit this country during September and October. These players are to be given a salary of \$20 KB4 variation. The score, at last account,

name of a big young fellow from Nebraska who has just arrived in town. He has been a herder and compuncher, with a fondness for boxing. Gallagher claims to have de-feated a number of western boxers, and is anxious to get a chance at some of the local heavyweights. John McCormick preferred. Gallagher is nearly six feet tall and weighs about 175 pounds." A period of increased activity seems to have dawned in chess circles. Matches of national and international importance have been completed in a sportsmanilike and

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Empty Shells.

A. C. Powers and Charley Hart wasted a lot of good ammunition at Kelly's lake one day last week. They brought back a duck, but as it had evidently been killed with a club, it was so mutilated, it might have been

Bat Masterson Talks of Kid McCoy and Bob Fitzsimmons. "Bat" Masterson, he of Denver, was in the

epent the winter, and was on his way to Denver, which city he is about to desert. The town is too far in the clutches of cranky women and thieving politicians, says Bat, and as a consequence of that and on account of his wife's health he is about ready to remove to Spokane. Bat get on pretty sood terms with Kid