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Dunn's Delights Lose To Middletown

Score 7 to 1 Against Willimantic—Senators Take One from Athletics—Boston Wins and Loses in a Double Header—Paddy Duff to Get "Slim" McIntyre's Place on First.

CONNECTICUT ASSOCIATION STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Middletown	6	3	.667
New London	4	3	.571
Willimantic	4	4	.500
Meriden	0	4	.000

Trolley League Games.

The Trolley league schedule for today calls for Middletown at Willimantic in a double header and Meriden at New London.

Middletown, July 27.—Baseball on Middletown's mid-week half-holiday proved a great success today, as a crowd of about 500 was on hand to see the home team meet and defeat Willimantic, 7 to 1. Despite the considerable difference in the score the game was closely played, Middletown winning by finding Lefty Smith for hits at the proper time. Because of the complaints of pitcher Smith at the way O'Donnell was catching him, there was a shift of positions between the Willimantic catcher and first baseman about the middle of the game.

Nichols, the Willimantic second baseman, was hit in the elbow with a pitched ball in the first time up, retiring from the game, but coming in again in the ninth when he batted for Harris. Both teams found fault and wrangled over the decisions of Umpire Edgarton. The score:

Middletown.	ab	h	po	a	e	Willimantic.	ab	h	po	a	e
Edgar, rf	4	1	3	0	0	*Nichols, 2b	1	1	0	0	0
Bannon, c	3	2	1	0	0	Harris, rf	2	0	2	1	0
Johnson, c	3	1	12	1	0	†Doel, 2b	4	0	8	0	0
Dunlap, ss	2	1	1	2	1	Sullivan, lf	4	2	1	0	0
Mulcahy, lf	4	2	9	2	0	O'Mara, 1c	4	0	7	1	2
Bellis, 1b	4	2	0	1	0	D'Andreas, c	3	0	1	2	0
Memaris, 2b	2	0	1	2	0	Noonan, ss	3	1	1	2	0
Harris, rf	4	1	0	0	0	Perkins, cf	3	1	0	0	0
Holub, p	4	1	0	0	0	Manley, 2b	3	0	2	2	0
						Smith, p	3	0	0	2	0
Totals.	31	11	27	14	1	Totals.	30	5	13	7	2

*Batted for Harris in 9th.

Score by innings:

Middletown	1	0	0	1	2	1	2	0	*—7
Willimantic	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1—1

Runs, for Middletown Edgar 2, Bannon 2, Johnson, Mulcahy, Bellis, Harris, for Willimantic Noonan. Two base hit, Edgar; bases on balls, off Smith 7; hit by pitcher, Nichols; struck out, by Smith 7, by Holub 4; double plays, Bellis to Dunlap to Mulcahy, Bolt to Mulcahy to Johnson; stolen bases, Sullivan, Noonan, Bannon, Johnson, Mulcahy, Bellis, Demaris, Holub; sacrifice hit, Dunlap; sacrifice fly, Dunlap; left on bases, Middletown 6, Willimantic 3; time, 1:45; umpire, Edgarton.

Hospital Game Late in August.

Through a letter received from the Middletown asylum baseball management, Manager J. A. Farrell of the state hospital team has learned that there is not much chance of the Middletown and Norwich hospital teams playing off their rubber game of the series before the latter part of August. It will probably be the last Thursday of the month.

The Hospital's game for Saturday is with the All-Stars and will be the concluding game of their series for the amateur championship of the city. Each team has won a game. The Hospital battery will probably be Bill Austin pitcher and Frank Harrington catcher.

Two Pitchers Traded.

Toledo, O., July 27.—Frank Owens, formerly pitcher for the Chicago Americans, was traded by Toledo today for Wild Bill Esseck, pitcher, of Kansas City.

DANNY MURPHY A BIG MAN.

Hotel Owner, Cotton Mill Stockholder and Ambition to Be Mayor Are All Ascribed to Danny by Baseball Writer.

The following pen-picture of Danny Murphy's greatness will make one of the most interesting exhibits in his scrapbook. It appeared in a paper published in Cooperstown, N. Y., which was sent to John J. Murphy of the Waureagan house by a friend who knew of his interest in Dan.

The Philadelphia right fielder would sure have difficulty recognizing himself under the following description:

The New York Sun states that Al Spalding and Comiskey of the White Sox are multi-millionaires, and goes on to mention a score or more who have tidy fortunes. But two of the most prominent were overlooked. Jim Keenan, formerly of the champion Albanys and for years backstop on the Cincinnatis is now a councilman in the latter town, the proprietor of a quintette of cafes and is prominent socially and financially with the big men of Porkopolis. Jim used to spend his money like a sailor. Now he is on the receiving line. Danny Murphy, the candy sticker of the Philadelphia Athletics, is the boniface of a large hostelry in Norwich, Conn., in the winter, the proud possessor of two big automobiles, a heavy stockholder in the cotton mills at Taftville, and a candidate for mayor of Norwich, an office he would doubtless adorn, for Danny is a man of undoubted executive ability. Dan Brouthers, greatest batsman of his day, owns Wappingers Falls, the heavy drinking stars, like Pete Browning, Curt Welch, Lewey Say and the rest are in the discard. "Bugs" Raymond of the New Yorks seems determined to follow their example.

Connie Has Eye for the Future.

Connie Mack, the clever and astute manager of the Philadelphia Athletics, is looking to the future in a way which is likely to bear fruit. Not satisfied with having one of the strongest pitching staffs in the American league and a well balanced team that is jumping along in front like a pennant winner, he goes afield and pays $12,000, a record price, for "Lefty" Russell, a left handed, more or less inexperienced pucher, who is now playing with the Baltimore club of the Eastern league. Mack evidently feels that he may need some additional help when the fight draws to a close in October, and he is paving the way. It is hoped, just for the sake of variety, that Russell turns out to be a better investment than Rube Marquard, for whom the Giants paid $11,000 two or three years ago.

Fromme Gets Leave of Absence.

Cincinnati, O., July 27.—Arthur Fromme, a pitcher on the Cincinnati team, was today given leave of absence for the rest of the season. Fromme will devote the rest of the summer to treatment for rheumatism of his pitching arm.

AMERICAN LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Philadelphia	58	29	.667
Boston	54	33	.607
New York	51	36	.586
Detroit	48	41	.539
Cleveland	47	43	.531
Washington	47	51	.479
Chicago	42	51	.407
St. Louis	29	57	.302

Senators Trim Athletics.

Philadelphia, July 27.—Philadelphia lost today's game to Washington by 5 to 4. Washington won by scoring four runs in the eighth inning on a single by Young, a base on balls to Gessler, an error by Baker, a three bagger by Elberfeld, and Henry's out. The score:

Washington.	ab	h	po	a	e	Philadelphia.	ab	h	po	a	e
Schaefer, cf	5	2	6	0	0	Lord, lf	4	1	1	0	0
Lelivelt, 1b	4	1	10	3	0	Olding, cf	3	0	0	0	0
Conroy, lf	5	1	4	0	0	Collins, 2b	3	2	4	2	0
Gessler, rf	3	1	2	0	0	Baker, 3b	3	0	2	5	2
M'Bride, ss	4	1	0	3	1	Davis, 1b	4	0	12	1	0
Killifer, 3b	4	2	2	3	0	Murphy, rf	4	1	2	0	0
Elberfeld, 3	4	1	0	0	0	Barry, ss	4	0	2	5	1
Beck'derf, 2	2	0	4	0	1	Thomas, c	4	1	4	0	1
Henry, c	3	0	4	1	0	Dygert, p	3	1	0	0	0
Gray, p	4	0	0	4	1	Plank, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.	37	9	27	15	3	Totals.	31	6	27	11	4

Score by innings:

Washington	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	4	9—5
Philadelphia	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0—4

Runs, for Washington Lelivelt, Conroy, Gessler, Killifer, Elberfeld, for Philadelphia Lord, Olding, Collins, Murphy; hits, off Dygert 9 in 7 1-3 innings, off Plank 0 in 1 2-3; three base hit, Elberfeld; sacrifice hit, Collins; sacrifice fly, Davis; double plays, Lelivelt to Gray to Killifer, Baker to Collins to Davis, Baker to Collins to Davis; left on bases, Thomas; stolen bases, Lelivelt, Elberfeld, Collins 2, Murphy; left on bases, Washington 7, Philadelphia 4; first base on errors, Washington 3, Philadelphia 2; struck out, by Gray 2, by Dygert 5; bases on balls, off Gray 2, off Dygert 2; passed ball, Thomas; wild pitch, Dygert; time, 1.56; umpires, Egan and O'Loughlin.

Highlanders and Boston Break Even.

Boston, July 27.—New York and Boston divided honors in a double header today, the home team winning the first game 5 to 4 and the visitors taking the second 6 to 3 in eleven innings. More than 28,000 persons saw the two contests. Score:

First game—

New York.	ab	h	po	a	e	Boston.	ab	h	po	a	e
Daniels, lf	4	1	2	0	0	Hooper, rf	2	1	5	0	0
Hemphill, rf	4	1	0	0	0	Engle, 2b	3	1	0	2	0
Knight, 1b	5	2	11	0	0	Speaker, cf	4	2	2	0	0
Cree, cf	4	1	2	0	0	Stahl, 1b	3	1	1	0	0
E. Gardner, 2	5	3	2	4	0	L. Gardner, 3	5	2	2	2	0
Roach, ss	5	0	3	4	1	Lewis, lf	5	2	2	1	0
Austin, 3b	4	1	1	4	0	Wagner, ss	3	0	2	2	0
Mitchell, c	4	1	5	0	1	Kleinow, c	3	0	6	2	0
Ford, p	3	2	1	1	1	*M'Connell	1	0	0	0	0
						**Lord	1	1	0	0	0
Totals.	36	10	32	15	4	Totals.	40	8	32	16	3

*Batted for Kleinow in 11th.
**Batted for Smith in 11th.

Score by innings:

New York	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0—5
Boston	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6—6

Runs, for New York Hemphill, Knight, E. Gardner, Roach, Mitchell, Ford, for Boston, Hooper, Engle, L. Gardner; two base hits, L. Gardner, Engle 2; Stahl, Lewis 2, Mitchell, Ford; sacrifice hits, Hooper, Lord; left on bases, New York 3, Boston 11; bases on balls, off Smith 2, off Ford 1; first base on errors, New York 1, Boston 2; struck out, by Ford 9, by Smith 5; sacrifice hits, Wagner, Knight, Daniels; sacrifice fly, Ford; double plays, Roach to E. Gardner to Knight, Hemphill to Roach to Ford to Gardner to Roach; wild pitch, Ford; passed ball, Mitchell; time, 2.27; umpires, Kerin and Connolly.

BASEBALL RESULTS WEDNESDAY.

CONNECTICUT LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Waterbury	48	32	.600
Bridgeport	46	32	.590
New Haven	42	40	.512
Springfield	42	39	.519
New Britain	40	38	.487
Hartford	36	36	.483
Northampton	33	45	.423
Holyoke	28	49	.364

Connecticut League.

At Springfield—Springfield 10, Hartford 6.
At New Britain—Bridgeport 3, New Britain 5; 10 innings.
At Holyoke—New Haven 2, Holyoke 4.
At Waterbury—Northampton 2, Waterbury 5.

EASTERN LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Newark	56	36	.609
Rochester	49	37	.570
Toronto	48	41	.539
Baltimore	44	41	.518
Providence	40	45	.471
Buffalo	40	47	.460
Jersey City	38	53	.418
Montreal	33	51	.393

Eastern League.

At Toronto—Newark-Toronto game postponed; rain.
At Buffalo—Baltimore 3, Buffalo 4.
At Montreal—Jersey City 2, Montreal 3.

New England League.

At Haverhill—First game: Lynn 3, Haverhill 8. Second game: Lynn 2, Haverhill 1; 14 innings.
At Lawrence—Fall River 3, Lawrence 6.
At Lowell—Brockton 4, Lowell 5.

GEERS SEES HIS ENTRY WIN $10,000 STAKE

Dudie Archdale Beats Out Field of 14 at Kalamazoo.

Kalamazoo, Mich., July 27.—Dudie Archdale, the favorite, had comparatively little trouble in winning the $10,000 Paper Mills stake for 2.11 class trotters, the classic of the Kalamazoo grand circuit race meet, in which a field of 14 horses contested today.

Ed Geers, the veteran, who was unable to drive in Kalamazoo this week, because of the injuries he received at Grand Rapids, sat in the timer's stand and watched his entry win the rich prize. F. G. Jones, who drove Dudie Archdale to victory, was enthusiastically cheered at the finish. He was carried in a floral horseshoe to a spot in front of the timer's stand, where he was given the D. D. Streeter cup, a handsome silver trophy valued at $500. This cup is given to the winner of this event as a memorial by the heirs of the late D. D. Streeter of Kalamazoo, noted horse breeder, who died within the year.

ROXY ANN FINISHES STRONG.

Takes Last Three Heats and Race in 2.16 Pace.

Providence, R. I., July 27.—Roxy Ann's victory in the 2.16 pace was the most exciting feature of the half mile track trotting today. Charlie Miller and St. Anthony had each won a heat before Roxy Ann, driven by Hyde, displayed her speed, capturing the next three heats. The best time was made in the first and third heats, 2.15 1-4. Driver Harry Brusie was fined $50 by the judges, who thought he did not try to win with Major Strong in the first heat.

The 2.26 trot was won by Carrie R., after Miss Colombo had taken the first heat. Best time, 2.23 1-2.

In the 2.19 trot Shawby was the winner, second money going to Prince Henry Westland, who took the first heat. Best time, 2.18 1-4.

$10,000 Purse for Wolgast-McFarland.

New Orleans, July 27.—A twenty-round contest between Ad Wolgast and Packey McFarland is a card which local promoters are attempting to present in New Orleans on Labor day. Tommy Walsh, matchmaker of the New Orleans Athletic club, has offered a $10,000 purse to the fighters.

Polo at Narragansett.

Narragansett Pier, R. I., July 27.—Myopia third won the semi-finals for the freshman cup in the polo tournament this afternoon, defeating New Haven second by a score of 7 1-2 to 4 1-2.

Amalfi Was Easy Winner.

Empire City Race Track, N. Y., July 27.—Amalfi, the favorite, easily won the Eastview handicap at 5 1-2 furlongs here today.

NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	P.C.
Chicago	54	29	.651
New York	48	35	.578
Pittsburg	47	35	.573
Cincinnati	44	42	.512
Philadelphia	40	44	.476
St. Louis	38	47	.447
Brooklyn	34	51	.400
Boston	33	53	.375

Drove Brown from the Box.

St. Louis, July 27.—St. Louis held a field day at the expense of Chicago's three fingered wonder, M. Brown, today, winning 8 to 6. The Chicago pitcher was hit to almost every corner of the field in the sixth inning and Chance took him out of the game. Score:

St. Louis.	ab	h	po	a	e	Chicago.	ab	h	po	a	e
Huggins, 2b	5	2	1	1	0	Evers, 2b	2	1	0	0	0
Ellis, rf	5	3	3	1	0	Zim'man, 2b	2	0	2	2	0
Oakes, cf	5	2	2	0	0	Sheckard, lf	4	2	4	0	0
Konetchy, 1b	4	2	11	0	0	Hofman, cf	3	3	2	0	0
Zeider, rf	5	0	2	0	0	Chance, 1b	5	1	8	0	0
Breeden, c	2	0	6	3	1	Steinfeldt, 3	5	0	0	2	0
Meyers, 3b	4	1	1	6	0	Schulte, rf	5	3	0	0	1
Hauser, ss	4	2	1	4	0	Tinker, ss	5	1	2	3	0
Lush, p	1	1	0	0	0	Kling, c	5	2	7	0	0
Bechman, p	1	0	0	1	0	Brown, p	3	0	0	2	0
*Hulvelt	1	1	0	0	0	Mitchell, p	0	0	0	1	0
Corridon, p	1	0	0	0	0	Pfeffer, p	0	0	0	0	0
						**Luderus	1	0	0	0	0
						***Bliss	1	0	0	0	0
Totals.	38	14	27	14	1	Totals.	43	17	24	9	1

*Batted for Beckman in 6th.
**Batted for Hible in 8th.
***Batted for Pfeffer in 9th.

Score by innings:

St. Louis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—8
Chicago	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	—6

Runs, for St. Louis Huggins, Ellis, Oakes, Konetchy, Breeden, Meyers, Hauser, Hulvelt, Lush; for Chicago Tinker 2, Schulte 2, Chance, Evers; three base hits, Schulte 2; home run, Schulte; sacrifice hits, Sheckard; double plays, Ellis to Breeden to Hauser, Hauser to Meyers; stolen base, Breeden; first base on balls, off Beckman 1, off Brown 2, off Pfeffer 1; struck out, by Brown 3, by Lush 7, by Pfeffer 1, by Beckman 2, by Corridon 3; hits, off Lush 7 in 3 innings, off Beckman 3 in 2, off Corridon 7 in 3, off Brown 13 in 6 2-3, off Pfeffer 2 in 1; left on bases, St. Louis 9, Chicago 12; time, 2.15; umpires, Klem and Kane.

New York 6, Philadelphia 2.

New York, July 27.—Six hits, one pass and one error benefited in the sixth inning today gave New York six runs and a victory over Philadelphia, 6 to 2. Umpire Johnson sent Rixey off the field in the first inning for arguing over a decision. Score:

Philadelphia.	ab	h	po	a	e	New York.	ab	h	po	a	e
Titus, rf	5	2	1	1	0	Sn'dgrass, lf	4	2	2	0	0
Knabe, 2b	2	1	1	4	0	Doyle, 2b	4	1	3	2	1
Thomas, cf	4	0	1	0	0	Seymour, cf	2	1	1	0	0
Grant, 3b	4	0	1	1	1	Murray, rf	4	1	2	0	0
Magee, lf	4	2	0	0	0	Bridwell, ss	3	0	1	0	0
Walsh, 2b	4	2	2	3	0	Meyers, c	3	0	6	2	0
Dooin, c	4	2	11	1	0	Merkle, 1b	4	1	7	0	0
Doolan, ss	4	1	3	3	0	Meyers, c	4	2	0	1	1
Rixey, p	4	2	1	2	0	Wilhoit, p	3	0	0	0	0
Foxen, p	2	0	0	2	0						
Shettler, p	2	0	0	0	0	Totals.	31	10	26	10	2
**Moran	1	1	0	0	0						
Totals.	36	12	21	16	2						

*Batted for Shettler in 8th.
Doolan out, hit by batted ball.

Score by innings:

Philadelphia	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—2
New York	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	—6

Runs, for Philadelphia Walsh, Bransfield, for New York Snodgrass, Murray, Doyle, Bridwell, Doolin, Merkle; two base hits, Walsh, Murray; sacrifice hits, Knabe, Seymour; stolen base, Merkle; left Fonseca, Philadelphia 1, New York 1; double play, Doolin to Doyle to Merkle; struck out, by Wilhoit 6, by Foxen 1, by Shettler 1; bases on balls, off Foxen 1, off Shettler 1; hits, off Foxen 6 in 5 2-3 innings, off Shettler in 2 1-3; time, 1.58; umpires, Johnstone and Evans.

Errors Cost Cincinnati a Game.

Cincinnati, July 27.—Cincinnati made eight errors today, each costly, and Pittsburg won easily by a score of 8 to 4. After the fifth inning the game developed into a farce. Score:

Pittsburg.	ab	h	po	a	e	Cincinnati.	ab	h	po	a	e
Byrne, 3b	4	1	3	1	0	Beschler, lf	4	1	4	1	2
Leach, cf	5	2	2	0	0	Egan, rf	4	1	2	0	0
Campbell, lf	4	2	2	0	0	Hoblitzel, 1b	4	1	10	0	1
Wagner, ss	5	0	2	0	0	Mitchell, rf	4	1	3	0	0
Flynn, 1b	4	0	10	0	0	Pickett, c	4	1	3	0	0
Wilson, rf	4	2	2	0	0	Downey, 2b	4	1	2	4	2
Gibson, c	4	1	2	0	0	M'Kenzie, c	4	2	4	0	1
Miller, 2b	4	2	2	3	0	M'Donald, ss	4	0	1	3	0
Phillippe, p	6	0	0	1	0	Gasper, p	2	0	0	3	0
Camnitz, p	1	1	0	1	0	Rowan, p	0	0	0	1	0
						Benton, p	0	0	0	0	0
Totals.	38	12	27	6	2	*Wheeler	1	0	0	0	0
						**Miller	1	0	0	0	0
						***Robert	1	0	0	0	0
						****Clarke	1	0	0	0	0
						Totals.	36	9	27	17	5

Score by innings:

*Batted for Rowan in 7th.
**Batted for McMillan in 9th.
***Batted for McLean in 9th.
****Batted for Benton in 9th.

Score by innings:

Pittsburg	1	0	0	1	0	3	2	0	0	0	—8
Cincinnati	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	—4

Runs, for Pittsburg Byrne, Campbell, Wagner, Flynn 2, Gibson, McKechnie for Cincinnati Egan, Hoblitzel, Mitchell, Pickett; two base hits, Hoblitzel, Campbell, Pickett; three base hits, Byrne, McKechnie; sacrifice hits, Campbell, Wilson, McKechnie, Gibson; hits, off Phillippe 5 in 5 1-3 innings, off Camnitz 4 in 3 2-3, off Gasper 10 in 6 (none out in 7th), off Rowan 1 in 2, off Benton 1 in 2; stolen bases, Egan, Mitchell 2, Campbell, Leach; double plays, Byrne to McKechnie to Flynn, McMillan to Egan to Hoblitzel, McKechnie to Egan; left on bases, Pittsburg 9, Cincinnati 5; bases on balls, off Gasper 2; struck out by Camnitz 2, by Benton 2; time, 2.05; umpires, Brennan and O'Day.

MASSACHUSETTS OUTCLASSES CANADIAN CHALLENGING YACHT

Takes Second Leg in Seawanhaka Cup Race by Over Eight Minutes.

Manchester, Mass., July 27.—So decisive was the victory of the defender, Massachusetts, over the challenger, St. Lawrence, in the second race today for the Seawanhaka cup that several of the Canadians have already made arrangements to go home after tomorrow's race. There was a difference of eight minutes twenty-three seconds between the boats at the finish today, and the Massachusetts could easily have made it an even nine minutes.

Three times the yachts beat two miles to the windward mark in an eight knot breeze, and ran back to the finish, and the Massachusetts gained on each leg with the exception of the last.

Not only was the St. Lawrence beaten, boat for boat, but the Yankee crew have given the Canadians a lesson in sail handling, while Designer and Skipper Ned Boardman outsailed Routh on the challenger.

The yachts will race over a triangular course tomorrow, starting at 1 p. m.

DUFF TO REPLACE M'INTYRE.

Paddy Will Likely Get "Slim's" Job at First Base for Fall River.

It looks as if "Slim" McIntyre of this city is to lose his job playing first base for the Fall River team, which is now in second place in the New England league. The Fall River Herald said on Wednesday night:

Manager O'Brien has ordered Paddy Duff, a former New England leaguer, to report to the local club at once. Duff has been managing a mill league team in Rhode Island this season. His home is in Providence. He has played the first sack for Haverhill, Lawrence and Lowell. He is a seasoned player and although never especially strong with the willow, he can be relied upon to deliver the inside baseball stuff at critical stages. Manager O'Brien wired Duff to report at Lawrence today. McIntyre will probably be dropped.

American League Pitchers Going Great.

The twirling staff of the Boston Americans are going like young torpedo boats these days. Out of the first 12 places in Ban Johnson's league the Huntington avenue boys occupy three of them. Eddie Karger stands in second place, with nine won and two lost; Smith occupies the fifth station, with seven victories and three defeats to his credit, and Hall has reached the seventh notch, with eight wins and four losses to his credit.

Chief Bender of the Athletics stands on the top rung, as he has done since the opening of the season practically, and looks good for the honor place for some time to come, with the excellent record of 14 victories and but two reverses to his string.

Jack Coombs, his teammate, who has been pitching wonderful ball lately, stands third, with 15 victories and five defeats to his name.

The Athletics have three, the Red Sox three, the Highlanders four and Detroit two among the dozen leading twirlers of the league.

Burdick Accepts Johnson's Challenge.

Sporting Editor, Norwich Bulletin:

Dear Sir: G. C. Burdick, the gawkey wrestler of Fitchville, will answer to the challenge which the big Swede of Montville has put in The Bulletin. For a straight match, best two out of three falls to a finish, Burdick's manager will try and put them on out in Voluntown as soon as Johnson's manager is ready to name the day for the mat hugger to meet the Montville man. That day Burdick will hug Johnson, not the mat.

Yours truly,
LEWIS H. BURDICK.
Fitchville, July 26, 1910.

JOHN L. OR JEFFRIES THE BETTER FIGHTER?

Sullivan Never Learned to Lick a Boxer—Jeff Had Him on Weight, Reach and Height.

Who was the greatest prize fighter? John Heenan was. John L. Sullivan was. Jeffries was. Johnson is. You can find plenty of supporters for any proposition. Champions come and champions go. In the height of their greatness they are unbeatable, wonderful, superhuman. Then they are beaten. The next champion looms up. Huh, they never were much good, anyway! When did they ever beat a first class man?

Thus it is now with Jeffries. For 10 years hailed as the pugilistic marvel of the ages, there are now many to insist that he was always a grossly overrated man. A favorite comparison is that of Jeffries with Sullivan. Was ever Jeff as great a man as John L. in his prime? Oh, my, no, John L. ate 'em alive! That is the way it goes. Jeffries is dethroned, humiliated, in contempt. John L. is enjoying a sort of recrudescence, with the years giving mirage exaggeration to his exploits.

But, compared by record, John L. was never in the class with Jeff. If this be treason, make the most of it. The facts are there to sustain the contention John L. was never of the Jeffries caliber.

Probably nobody will claim that John L. ever packed a harder punch than Jeffries. Both of them at their best hit like pile drivers. Consider their punching power equal then. Certainly Jeff possessed the advantage of height, weight and reach; certainly he displayed in his battle with Fitzsimmons, Sharkey and Corbett a gameness which John L. never excelled; certainly he withstood the power of absorbing punishment to an ever greater extent than Sullivan; and, finally, there are two other things to consider and consider well. From the time he won the championship every one of Jeff's fights was with a first class man. Sullivan, on the other hand, contended largely with dubs.

Who Could Lick a Boxer?

Jeffries learned to box. He could box well enough to hold his own with the agile Corbett. Sullivan was always at the mercy of the real boxer. There are three fights to prove it. He didn't understand, could not grasp the idea of boxing. A man he couldn't overwhelm with a rush was his master, because that man could keep out of his way until Sullivan rushed himself to death. It is the fact that John L. was only a fighter, while Jeffries was both a fighter and a boxer that makes most evident the Californian's superiority.

What Sullivan Fought.

Sullivan won his championship under the old London prize ring rules by defeating Paddy Ryan. After that what was his record? He went about the country knocking out innumerable unknowns who essayed to stand four rounds against him, but where were the really good men? He passed up Frank Slavin and he passed up big Peter Jackson, who was probably a better black than the Johnson of today.

What happened to him when he met the boxers? True, he fought and whipped Billy Edwards, one of the cleverest, but Billy Edwards was a lightweight weight 133 pounds. He couldn't get to Jack Burke, a welterweight, in five rounds, and Burke laughed at him. A thing came over the seas from England named Tug Wilson. He knocked Sullivan down and stayed the four rounds with him. Wilson was under the middleweight limit. Frank Herald, Patsy Cardiff, Duncan McDonald, Charley Mitchell and Jake Kilrain were the only men Sullivan fought from 1886 to 1892, when Jim Corbett laid him away in moth balls and possibly put him out of his misery. Well, everybody knows that they were of a class with the Fitzsimmonses, the Corbetts, the Sharkeys and the Bobbies whom Jeffries battled to the ground?

That Draw With Mitchell.

McDonald and Cardiff went four rounds each with the cestrayer and each got a draw. Mitchell, who never was anything more than a little middleweight, fought him 99 rounds at Chantilly, France, and Sullivan was mighty glad to get a draw. Corbett knocked the same Mitchell senseless in three rounds. You see Corbett could fight a boxer and Sullivan couldn't.

Kilrain went 75 rounds with John L. and might have won if he hadn't felt so cocksure of the victory. Sullivan was violently ill in the ring. Kilrain refused to hit him. He considered the fight won, anyway. Then John L. stopped being sick. Kilrain was subsequently removed on a shutter. Yet this same 75-round Kilrain was subsequently stowed away by Corbett in six rounds. Finally there was Corbett himself, upon whom John L. couldn't lay a glove, although he charged like a bull for 21 rounds and was chopped into Hamburg steak for his pains.

Jeff's Record.

Now what did Jeffries do? He didn't confine himself to engagements on the stage with unknowns or 10 four-round encounters with Cardiffs and McDonalds. No Tug W