INCONSISTENCY OF TURF RULES IS SHOWN

New Orleans Authorities Bar One Ruled-Off Man, but Allow Another Privileges.

JAMES A. KEENE ON BETTING.

Leading Member of the Eastern Jockey Club Moralizes on the Evils of Owners Who Use Stables for Profit.

Joe Campbell, one of the most entertaining and pleasing sporting writers that ever put pencil to paper, always held that all sport was a joke and entirely unworthy of serious treatment or consideration. Maybe Mr. Campbell was right. Maybe he was not. Yet it must be admitted that sport is play, and that play is scarce worthy of serious consideration.

The manner in which affairs are conducted in the world of sport would lead many to believe that Mr. Campbell was right, and that sport is all a huge joke, unworthy of serious consideration and unworthy of serious treatment. It was but the other day that American turfites were crying "Shame" at the officials of the French Jockey Club when they put Johnnie Reiff and Milton Henry down for suspected unfair dealing. The cry has not yet quite abated.

Last year the Frenchmen ruled off "Hootz" Durnell, just as they did Reiff and Henry. Henry, by the way, was ruled off in California years ago by Joe Murphy. A great cry against the "injury" done Durnell went up over the cry out for Reiff and Henry. A year or so ago Durnell was intimate with an American named Herz in France. Herz is a wealthy man. They came to Chicago when Durnell was ruled off in France, won a lot of jacks, bets and soon got together the best stable in the West.

They took this stable to New Orleans. With it went Jockey Buchanan, who was also sent away from France in disgrace by W. K. Vanderbilt because he (Buchanan) had some trouble with the French starter.

Durnell and Herz started Rolling Roer and Prince Blazes at New Orleans one day. They were fixed shots. Handicappers said that they could turn around and back in ahead of their bills. They were beaten blocks.

FRENCHMEN WERE NEXT.

Then up rose the grand and consistent American sporting fraternity, which had bet on Rolling Roer and Prince Blazes and gave three cheers for the French Jockey Club. "Shame on the Grand and Consistent Army of Free American Suckers," them races of Rolling Roer and Prince Blazes, owned and trained by Durnell and ridden by Buchanan, shows and proves that the French jockey was next to his job."

Apropos the Reiff-Henry scandal it may be said that W. H. "Chopsy" Chapin, who is quite well known about St. Louis, was one of the central figures in the Paris affair. The retired William was supposed to be the man who always knew when the American riders were on the "level" or the "dead one." Chapin has been operating on French tracks during the past year. He was in St. Louis in 1901 with W. M. Rogers.

He was the "main guy" in the famous Tracy-Needham prize-fight fiasco which took place at Madison in the fall of 1894.

The "goobers" who paid $5 to see this fight will remember going into a big tent to a certain seating a ring pitched and the Sheriff out in and cut the ropes before the event of the night came off. The club took in some $9000 and paid out some $50. It saved 50 per cent of the gross receipts by the interference of the Sheriff, and unkind people said that the job was all cut and dried. This was never proven.

"SITTING BULL" BUSCH'S CASE.

Still following Mr. Durnell in his racing career it may be shown how great and true a supporter of the turf "Sitting Bull" Busch, the New Orleans prop of the sport of kings, is. The Western Jockey Club had resolved to stop certain kinds of bookmakers and owners from operating and running on its tracks. It appointed a committee to draw up the rules. Judge Perkins, of Cincinnati, told the press all about what the Jockey Club was going to do; how it was going to abolish certain classes of bookmakers and owners, etc. All this was printed.

However, the Western Jockey Club's eighty-one-ton gun misses fire. Upon consideration it found that it could not bar bookmakers, because its constitution said that it could not take cognizance of betting in any way. It was afraid to bar owners, because the main part of the Western Jockey Club owns race tracks in Illinois. These track owners want to get a racing law through the Illinois Legislature. They feared if they barred certain owners or touched certain bookmakers they might make enemies in Illinois who might operate to the disadvantage of the proposed racing law.

But the dip went around that certain people were to be nagged and embarrassed by the individual racing associations. A kind of a quiet boycott was put in force. The prop of the sport of kings, Mr. Busch, first got action. There was a man booking in his ring who had been ruled off in Canada. This man had booked all season at St. Louis and at Latonia. Four men engaged in the same business booked at Latonia. The Western Jockey Club called Judge Perkins's attention to this, and said: "Bar them." "To —— with you," replied Perkins. "You fellows got their money all summer and kept it. I want a wrack at it now." In barring them Judge Perkins would have lost $80 a day, for they had eight books on in his ring at Latonia.

But New Orleans had twenty-five books playing to a thirteen-book game. Books could be spared for bookmakers would not draw in, as play was light and books too numerous. So Mr. Busch barred the Canadian refugee.

At the same time Mr. Durnell, who is ruled off by the French Jockey Club—quite as potent and reputable a body as the Canadian Jockey Club—is allowed to race at Chicago and New Orleans. President Williams of the San Francisco tracks recognized the French Jockey Club's ruling. He would not allow Mr. Durnell to race on his tracks. Refused the privilege of racing in California, he was received with open arms by New Orleans. No one says that it was wrong to bar the Canadian refugee. But why not bar the French refugee also?

KEENE'S PASSING REMARK.

In taking a passing crack at the "Two John"—John A. Drake and John W. Gates—Mr. James A. Keene makes the following statement, the wisdom and merit of which cannot be gainsaid, however much strongly its practicability may be assailed. Mr. Keene says:

"I am sorry to see the sordid desire of triumph in the betting ring overcome the ambition to excel on the turf. We have too many men racing as a business. When a man acquires a stable for betting purposes he does not begin to taste of the sweets of racing.

"A cheap selling race has to him the same significance as the winning of one of the great classics, with its wealth of lore and tradition. There will always be the poor, third-rate horseman, willing to catch cobble money and live to race, as it were. He is an inherent part of the turf system, but we see little or heard of his doings in ways, so little is done.

"He is there for the money there is in it. When a man, supported by a high-class stable and ready bank account, sets out to make a business of his racing and makes the game up his summer's diversion in proportion to the total of his profit and loss account, then it becomes a serious matter. The plunger owner is exploded, and his form fails to reflect credit of the sport. This unwholesome tendency among owners is what leads to undesirable results. They bet me prone to the idea of sending a jockey to get a light off, with a view to insure a 6 to 1 price and a dollar adjustment for a future race and prospective coup. Some of them may go further. The turf cannot thrive as a commercial venture. Every man should own his own racer, too. We want men more intent to race for the purses and the gratification of seeing their horses win. We want owners who are willing to incur the forfeits and pay them out of stakes and purses they may win, if possible, or out of their pockets, without demurring, if necessary.

"PREACHING IS NOT PRACTICED.

"Every word which Mr. Keene utters is keenly truth. But is it not strange that one of the most incorrigible of stables racing is that of J. A. and P. P. Keene? Take up the monthly racing summaries and follow the running of the Keene horses. A stable boy up Monday. Price goes up in ring. Horse runs a bad race. Good jockey up next time. Price tumbled down. Horse wins, or is "right there," as they say in turf parlance.

"No doubt the Messrs. Keene are not to blame. But is it none the less true that the horses of Messrs. Keene and Whitney were last year most notable for in and out running. Undoubtedly their owners did not profit thereby. That fact, however, does not prohibit others from profiting from the very bad form shown by the Keene and Whitney stables.

"Unquestionably, the tremendous bettor, the big fish in the small puddle, always makes trouble. If Mr. Buck or Mr. Gates is known to be willing to bet anywhere from $500 to $2000 on a $400 selling race, trouble is bound to ensue. A poor owner, with a good chance, gets the big bettor to 'put one down' for him. The big bettor does so, acting on the level, let us suppose. The poor owner, in for his bit, sees his poor fellow owners. They see the point. They get their bit. The big bettor wins, splits, and there you are.

"It is an admitted fact that the presence of three or four abnormally large bettors around Chicago last year was responsible for the scandalous running which took place at the tracks in that city.

BIG BETTOR BAD FOR RACING.

"The big bettor never was or never will be any good in racing. As a rule he wins because things are made easy for him. It is the poor, despised $2 bettor that supports racing. Yet every time a small bettor challenges the truth of a race some owner, official or bookmaker will cry, 'I suppose the —— —— had $2 bet on it. I—n them $2 bettors. The —— —— ruin racing!'

"Yet if it was not for the $2 bettor there would be not by any tracks, owners, officials or bookmakers, or big bettors, either.

"It is said that the white jockeys riding at Ingleside have conspired to "do up" negro competitors. When Battiste, the crack black boy, was thrown off Joana the other day it was put down to the race wire. It is noticeable that the negro rider does not flourish in the East. No one good black boy has shown beyond the Alleghanies in years. Winkfield is undoubtedly the best black boy riding, if not the best boy, white or black. He has always confined himself to the West.

"If appearances go for anything, Battiste will not be a soft mark for such practices. He may not be a finished rider like Burns, Bullman and O'Connor, but if his face is an index to his character he is not lacking in daring and desperation. He is as strong as a lion. Several owners racing in California say that the leading white boys advised them not to put negroes up if they wanted to win. In the face of this they charge that when Jerry Horn won with the first horse he rode after his reinstatement the other boys, white and black, "chooed" him in by way of compliment.

"In the light of the charge of conspiring against black boys, this seems rather an incongruous reflection on the character of the boys now riding race horses in America. That the self-confessed principal in the most shameful racing scandal of the turf, a negro, too, should be welcomed back with a complimentary "shoo in," is something that has no one who has the least faith in human nature or who imagines that there is the remotest shred of honesty left on the turf can entertain.

"When a great and upright American rider returns after a brilliant campaign abroad all his fellows try hard to beat him in races. When a great American turf crook returns and is reinstated they honor him with a complimentary victory. It cannot be true.

RALLY TO AN OLD ENEMY.

"A rather singular incident in this regard came up last fall at the Fair Grounds. Judge Brady, after much forbearance, ordered that the entries of a certain owner be refused. To the date of refusal, this man had more enemies among track frequenters, bookmakers and owners than any one on the turf. He had disappointed, thrown down, or otherwise offended every other man he had dealings with. Each and every one of them had accused him of crookedness, cheating, chicanery, bad faith, evil intentions, everything. Yet, the moment he was ruled off every one of them became his friend and immediately "went to the front" for him.

"While it is true that the man was possessed of certain jocular and visible traits which rendered it impossible for any one to entertain an enduring or serious detestation of him, and that by many he was considered mentally irresponsible, the rally of his erstwhile enemies to his standard was inexplicable.

"Why," said Judge Murphy when the matter was called to his attention, "I once heard an old turfman say that if every professional turfman on the track saw one of their number deliberately shoot another they would all admit it to-day and say that he should be hanged for murder. Yet let a friend of the murderer get among them a day or two later and he would get every man of them to say that they did not see the affair and they would probably be found testifying for the defendant when his case came up for trial."

This may be a tribute to the kindliness of the American turfman but scarce to his integrity and sense of justice.

MILE SKATING RACE TO-NIGHT.

Novices Will Meet in Scratch Event at the Ice Palace Rink.

This week's programme at the Ice Palace includes a feature event of some sort for each night, the attraction this evning being a mile race for novices. Eight entries have been received, several well-known skaters of the city who have been placed in former races having turned in their names. The list is made up of V. F. Gilliam, Bert Johnson, Gilbert Shaw, Roy Allison, Lester Heyman, J. Bodine, John Elwan, Jr., and Fred Abel.

To-morrow night, the Frisco Railroad clerks will attend in a body, about 800 persons, all told, being expected in this delegation and their friends. Thursday night the Triple A and World's Fair teams will meet in a hockey game. The regular Ice Palace team was carded to appear Thursday, but, on account of one or two members being not quite in condition, it was decided to put them on next week instead.

Expert skaters will meet Friday evening in a one-mile handicap race. William McKinney and Andy Blong being carded as scratch men. Vivian Dobbs, Ray Paulin, Harry Lang, Jimmy Long and Frank Mason are among the others entered. Entries for this race will not close until late in the week.

Manager John Davidson has announced the following make-up for the Ice Palace hockey team: B. Waggoner, goal; Bert Johnson, point; Partridge, cover point; F. C. Bradford, left wing; D. Dowling and McGivilray, centers; John Davidson, right wing.

Mrs. George E. Warren Dead.

Mrs. George E. Warren, aged 44 years, wife of a prominent business man of Jerseyville, died this evening after a lingering illness. The funeral will take place on Wednesday.

WORLD'S BOWLING RECORD BROKEN BY 1904 TEAM.

Total of 1,529 Points Scored on the Acme Alleys in Game With Centuries.

For the second time within a week the world's bowling record was broken by a local team, the 1904 team of the Central League, scoring the unprecedented total of 1,529 in their game with the Centuries on the Acme alleys last evening. The new mark breaks by 24 points the record established last week by the Junior team.

Habenicht was high man for the winning team, his mark of 87 in the closing game being extraordinary. In last week's record breaking match, Hirsch was high man, with a total of 84 in the third game. Last evening, Habenicht came but two points below the mark set by Eddie Hirsch last year, totaling 87. Bauer averaged best for the victors, 87 2-3 being his mark. This is below Hirsch's average of last week, which was 72 4-5.

Singularly enough, both record breaking performances were made on the Acme alleys, the Juniors making their mark Monday evening, December 8. The Centuries took a stand in the third game and won by a score of 279 to 270.

It was the only contest of the evening they succeeded in capturing, however, and their total was 1,529. They fell behind the Acmes of last week in this respect, as the latter team totaled 1,556 points against the Juniors. Scores in last evening's contest were:

CENTURYS.

Name.	C.	M.	1	2	3	4	5	TL	Av.
G. Dammert	4	21	41	31	34	30	37	193	38 4-5
L. Dammert	4	37	36	45	43	39	37	237	47 4-5
F. Hirsch	6	14	41	44	42	41	37	219	43 4-5
E. Hirsch	6	14	41	44	42	41	37	219	43 4-5
W. Bick	12	12	48	39	39	46	32	216	43 1-5
Totals	35	97	222	203	220	217	200	1064	212 4-5

JUNIORS.

Name.	C.	M.	1	2	3	TL	Av.
Carmichael	6	14	48	67	55	170	56 2-3
Dickey	6	14	45	57	62	164	54 2-3
Maher	5	10	42	57	50	149	49 2-3
Bauer	2	4	32	36	43	111	37
Habenicht	7	11	56	56	61	173	57 2-3
Totals	31	53	263	313	271	847	282 1-3

WOODWARD-TIERNAN LEAGUE.

Lithos 4, Binderys 1.

Scores on the Royal alleys in the Woodward-Tiernan League follow:

BINDERYS.

Name.	C.	M.	1	2	3	4	5	TL	Av.
Schultz	6	16	43	42	43	41	41	210	42
M. Sanftleben	12	32	32	41	41	41	37	222	37
J. Miller	6	16	41	41	41	41	41	205	41
Pinke	8	21	42	41	41	41	41	206	41 1-5
C. Sanftleben	7	21	41	41	40	41	41	204	40 4-5
Totals	34	106	241	241	236	241	240	1203	40 1-5

Handicap—Schultz 2, M. Sanftleben 1, J. Miller 0, Pinke 1 and C. Sanftleben 2; total, 6.

LITHOS.

Name.	C.	M.	1	2	3	4	5	TL	Av.
Martel	6	20	39	45	39	41	40	204	40 4-5
Beelman	7	21	38	44	41	41	41	205	41 1-5
White	6	21	41	46	34	41	41	203	40 3-5
Lesker	6	21	41	41	41	41	41	205	41
Gallagher	9	29	40	47	41	40	42	210	42
Totals	34	112	239	263	236	244	245	1227	40 9-15

Presses 3, Jobs 2.

JOBS.

Names.	C.	M.	1	2	3	4	5	TL	Av.
Fitzsimmons	5	17	37	47	37	40	39	200	39 4-5
Dawson	9	27	37	41	41	41	41	201	40 1-5
Long	6	24	37	44	43	47	43	214	42 4-5
Pritchard	10	26	46	31	34	43	39	193	38 3-5
Buerhl	6	22	34	42	37	36	39	188	37 4-5
Totals	36	116	191	205	192	207	201	996	39 4-5

Handicaps—Dawson, 8; Long, 8; Pritchard, 6; total, 22.

PRESSES.

Names.	C.	M.	1	2	3	4	5	TL	Av.
Jones	4	20	42	37	47	46	41	213	42 3-5
Alt	3	45	44	37	47	37	39	204	40 4-5
D. Detch	3	9	37	34	41	37	37	186	37 1-5
Stein	6	21	40	31	37	37	37	182	36 4-5
Minges	3	27	34	43	34	42	36	189	37
Totals	19	179	237	222	206	219	210	1073	39 1-5

Handicaps—Jones, 10; Alt, 8; D. Detchemendy, 10; Stein, 10; Minges, 8; total, 46.

ST. LOUIS LEAGUE.

Ideals 3, Federals 0.

Ideals won three games on the Palace alleys as follows:

IDEALS.

Name.	1	2	3	TL	Av.
T. Frese	125	158	146	429	143
Schwab	140	148	136	424	141 1-3
McGowen	191	134	157	482	160 2-3
McKinny	157	167	157	481	160 2-3
Miller	157	167	157	481	160 2-3
Totals	770	773	753	2296	765 1-3

FEDERALS.

Name.	1	2	3	Th	Av.
Poble	120	137	136	393	131 1-3
Kornbrinck	136	139	142	417	139
A. Miller	132	137	128	397	132 1-3
Shoemaker	112	129	118	359	119 2-3
Mueller	127	141	125	413	138
Totals	679	703	649	2032	676 2-3

KINDERGARTEN LEAGUE.

Clippers 3, Ladedes 2.

CLIPPERS.

Names.	C.	M.	1	2	3	4	5	TL	Av.
E. Durand	9	46	44	43	34	47	46	219	43 4-5
Nagel	9	46	24	32	32	38	34	160	32
Gandel	6	41	46	42	41	38	36	203	40
J. Durand	6	24	38	46	34	38	32	188	37 3-5
B. Dierkes	9	28	32	42	36	38	39	187	37 3-5
Totals	39	167	218	205	183	179	225	1000	40

LADEDES.

Names.	C.	M.	1	2	3	4	5	TL	Av.
Blake	4	44	46	31	39	47	38	201	40 1-5
E. Niehaus	2	50	40	29	28	41	40	178	35 3-5
Tinsley	3	28	42	41	47	50	41	221	44 1-5
Darnheim	11	43	36	23	29	31	44	163	32 3-5
A. Niehaus	8	29	33	43	43	40	47	206	41 1-5
Totals	28	194	196	166	185	192	209	1000	40

Old Citizen Dead.

Jacob Pope, aged 80 years, pioneer resident of Greene County, died last evening at his home in Kane. The funeral will be held on Wednesday morning and the burial will be at Old Kane.

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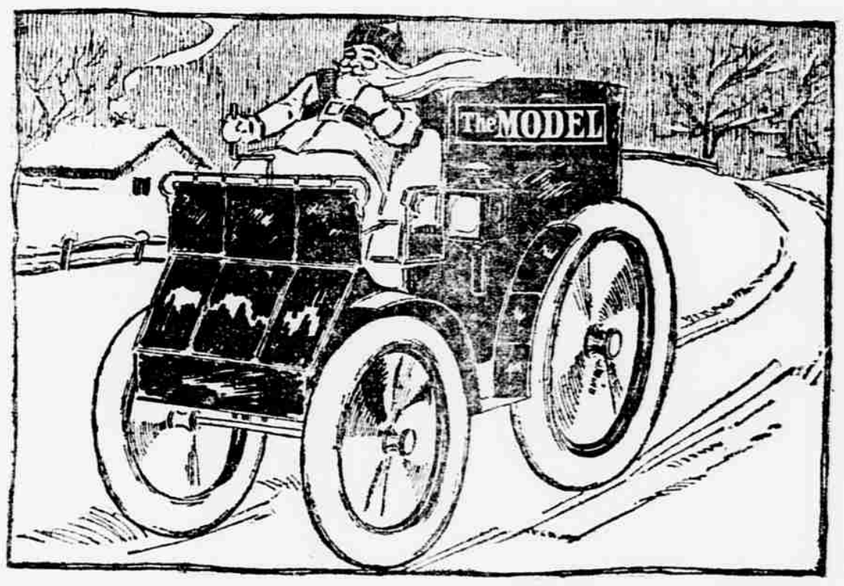

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Young Men's Overcoats, 14 to 20 years, from $4.95 to $20.00.
White Vests, Pique and Bird's Eye, $1.00 to $5.00.
Fancy Vests, $1.50 to $3.50.
Underwear, 45c to $3.00.
Fancy Hosiery, 15c to 50c.
Black Silk Hose, $1.00 per pair.
Smoking Jackets, $4.00 to $12.50.
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Dressing Gowns, $5.00 to $12.50.
Bath Robes, $3.00 to $7.00.
White Shirts, 50c to $1.50.
Full Dress Shirts, $1.00 to $2.00.
Fancy Madras and Percale Shirts, $1.00 to $2.00.
Pajamas, French Flannel and Sateen, $1.00 to $2.50.
Night Robes, 50c to $1.50.
Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, hand worked initials, per box, 25c to $1.40.
Pure Linen Handkerchiefs, hemstitched borders, 15c to 50c.

Presents for Men.

Silk Handkerchiefs, 25c to $1.00.
All-Linen Collars, latest styles, 15c to 75c one-half dozen.
Linen Cuffs, 25c to $1.40 one-half dozen.
All-Wool Sweaters, $1.00 to $4.50.
Mackintoshes, $2.25 to $8.50.
Jersey Jackets, $2.50 to $5.00.
Cardigan Jackets, $1.00 to $5.00.
Silk Umbrellas—Natural wood and fancy handles, $1.50 to $10.00.
Canes, 25c to $4.00.
Suit Cases, $1.50 to $13.50.
Traveling Bags, 75c to $12.00.
Kid Gloves, 75c to $2.00.
Oxford Gloves, 25c to 75c.
Neckwear, all shapes, 25c to $2.
Silk Mufflers, opera and square shapes, $1.00 to $4.50.
Cashmere Mufflers, 50c to $1.50.
Full Dress Protectors, $1 to $3.
Fancy Silk and Satin Suspenders, 50c to $3.00.
Novelty Scarf Pins, 25c to $1.50.
Link Sleeve Buttons, 2c to $2.
Dress Fob, 50c to $1.50.
Silk and Opera Hats, $4.50 and $5.50.
Derby or Soft Hats, 95c to $3.00.
Stetson Hats, $3.50 to $5.00.
Caps, 10c to $2.50.

Presents for Boys.

Soft and Stiff Hats, 95c to $1.45.
Plush and Cloth Caps, 25c to $1.25.
Toboggan Caps, 25c to 95c.
Tam O'Shanters, 45c to 95c.
Sailor Suits, 3 to 10, $2.75 to $10.
Sailor Norfolk Suits, 3 to 8, $3.75 to $7.50.
Boys' 2-button double-breasted Suits, with long roll collar and Vest, $3.75 to $7.50.
Norfolk Suits, 3 to 15, $1.95 to $6.75.
Double-brested Knee Suits, 8 to 16, $1.95 to $10.00.
Single-breasted Knee Suits, with Vest, 9 to 16, $3.25 to $8.50.
Boys' Shoes, $1.25 to $1.95.
Overcoats, 3 to 8, $1.95 to $15.00.
Reefers, 3 to 8, $1.45 to $7.50.
Overcoats, 8 to 16, $3.25 to $10.
Storm Collar Reefers, 8 to 16, $1.95 to $4.75.
Sweaters, 45c to $2.00.
Gloves, 25c to $1.00.
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EAST SIDE NEWS.

BUILDING WORK IS STOPPED BY BRICK HAULERS' STRIKE.

Contractors Discontinue Operations Until a Grievance Over Nonunion Material Can Be Settled.

Building operations in Belleville will cease this morning, by order of the Builders' Exchange, composed of the contractors and builders of Belleville. The order is a practical lockout for all of the men engaged in the building trades, and is the result of the trouble between the drivers of wagons which haul brick to the bricklayers.

Both sides agree on one question—that nonunion brick caused the trouble. It appears that certain brick which are used for ornamental purposes in Belleville are made by nonunion brickworks. The contractors claim that they cannot get union-made bricks of these designs. The brickmakers of Belleville and the drivers and the bricklayers say that the brick must all be union made or they will not handle them, and if the contractors cannot get the design in a union brickyard they should use some other design. This the contractors will not do. The bricklayers, it is said, agree to lay the nonunion brick, which is only used for ornamental purposes, but the hitch comes in the men who transport the brick to the bricklayers.

At a meeting of the Builders' Exchange Saturday evening it was decided to do what work was possible on the buildings now in hand and to stop work Monday evening until a settlement can be arrived at. As a result of the stoppage of building operations all classes of artisans and mechanics dependent on the building of houses will be thrown out of employment until the entire controversy is settled.

WIFE ANSWERED ADVERTISEMENT.

Mrs. Mueller Returned Home When She Learned Husband Needed Her.

An advertisement for a housekeeper brought back to his home the wife of William Mueller of Belleville, who has not been at home for a month. According to Mrs. Mueller her absence was to test her husband's love. She told neighbors and friends that she thought that he was growing indifferent to her. Mueller traced his wife to St. Louis, he says, but there lost track of her.

The advertisement for a housekeeper was printed in a Belleville paper last week. Mrs. Mueller read it and she decided to go back to her home. Saturday night when Mueller arrived home from work he found his wife at home.

Belleville News Notes.

—W. Anderson, secretary of the Alton Y. M. C. A., will deliver an address Sunday afternoon at the local association.

—The Retail Clerks' Union held a meeting last night.

—Helen M. Alexander has been appointed administrator of the estate of Charles D. Moore.

—The city schools will close Wednesday, December 24, for the Christmas holidays and will not reopen until January 5.

—Ernst Rodenmeyer entered suit for divorce from his wife Della.

—John Jeppel was fined $1 and costs for disturbing the peace of Julius Bischof.

—Miss Elsie Meyer is recovering from a severe attack of typhoid fever.

TRI-CITIES.

WILLIAM DILLON DEAD.

Was Superintendent of the Car Shops at Madison.

William Dillon, superintendent of the Madison car shops, died at the Alexian Brothers' Hospital in St. Louis of typhoid fever and pneumonia. He was taken from his home at Madison to the hospital last week. Shortly after his arrival he suffered a relapse, which caused his death Sunday.

Mr. Dillon had been superintendent of the Madison plant of the American Car Company for many years. He was one of the best known men in the Tri-Cities.

Held to the Grand Jury.

T. E. Morgan was arrested yesterday at Granite City by Marshal Kissinger on complaint of Patrick Ward, a saloonkeeper, who charges that Morgan tried to extort a small sum of money by a confidence game. Morgan, who says he lives in St. Louis, was held for the Madison County Grand Jury.

Tri-City Notes.

—A marriage license was issued yesterday to Miss Pearl Bolan of Granite City and Otis Richards of Maryville, Kas.

—Word was received yesterday of the death of Arthur E. Davis of Madison, at San Antonio, Tex.

—Patrick Murray was taken to Edwardsville yesterday from Granite City and placed in jail. He is charged with wife abandonment.

—William Dalton was severely injured in a fall down the Merchants' bridge railroad embankment.

—Young men of Madison are organizing a social club to be called the Colonial.

—William Ahern of Madison fell upon the sidewalk, which was covered with ice, and sustained a compound fracture of the right leg.

Jerseyville Notes.

—The Reverend E. L. Carson, pastor of the First M. E. Church at Elsah, is conducting a series of revival meetings at the M. E. Church at East Newburn.

—Dow Camp, No. 223, of the Modern Woodmen of America, has elected H. C. Lurton venerable consul, Thomas Reister worthy adviser, William Rintoul banker, J. E. Dymond clerk, H. C. Burris escort, Jacob Greeling watchman, John Greeling sentry and Tell E. McDow manager.

—The Monday Evening Art Circle at Jerseyville met yesterday with Miss Mayme Beatty. The subject considered was "Rome," and interesting papers were read by the members of the club on "Her Great Men," "Her Beautiful Legends," "Her History" and "The Height to Which She Rose and the Depth to Which She Fell."

—Fidelity Lodge, No. 152, of Ancient Free and Accepted Masons, has elected James P. Roodhouse worshipful master, C. C. Carson senior warden, George E. Elkington junior warden, John T. Ryan treasurer and Charles W. Tietsort secretary.

—The Reverend W. F. Jones of Carrollton, Ill., has been called to the pastorate of the Pleasant Dale Baptist Church, north of Jerseyville.

WOULD ANNUL ITS CHARTER.

Belleville City Council After East St. Louis and Suburban Railway Co.

At a meeting of the Belleville City Council last night a resolution was passed instructing the City Attorney to obtain the assistance of the State Attorney General in an effort to annul the charter of the East St. Louis and Belleville Suburban Railway Company because it does not run its cars straight through to Eads bridge.

Transfers are now made at the intersection of Missouri and Collinsville avenues. The street car company declares it is acting within the provisions of its charter and will contest the effort to have it annulled.

Mayor Calls Mass Meeting.

Mayor M. M. Stephens has issued invitations for a public meeting of citizens of East St. Louis, to be held to-night in the East St. Louis City Hall to consider matters pertaining to the interests of the city. Several subjects, it is believed, will be taken up, among which will be that of offering more inducements to make East St. Louis a convention city. The accessibility of the city to all parts of Illinois and its proximity to St. Louis are urged as principal arguments.

East St. Louis Items.

—Mrs. Theodore Wiegreffe will entertain the members of the Tuesday Euchre Club this afternoon at her home on Summit avenue.

—Mrs. Charles Cannady of Brighton place is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Oscar Ladarse of Long Pine, Neb.

—Miss Dorothy Yost entertained the M. P. M. Club last night.

—The Mendelssohn Club gave a euchre last night.

—The ladies of the Century M. E. Church will give a Santa Claus bazaar Friday and Saturday.

—The Council of Administration of the Illinois State G. A. R. will meet here to-day to make arrangements for the coming encampment.

—Mrs. L. M. Pillo will institute a circle of the ladies of the G. A. R. to-morrow night in the Library building.

—The East St. Louis Division Order of Railway Conductors of America, No. 286, will, on December 23, install the following officers for 1903: W. C. Scarlette, C. C.; C. W. Shaw, A. C. C.; L. W. Cherrington, secretary and treasurer; A. C. Clark, S. C.; R. H. Brooks, J. C.; H. G. Chumley, I. S.; G. H. Webster, O. S.

—James P. Doyle, aged 4 years, died at the home of his father, Martin Doyle. Funeral Wednesday afternoon from residence to Mount Carmel Cemetery.

—The Woman's Guild of the Episcopal Church was entertained by Mrs. L. R. Pope.

PULLMAN EMPLOYES' DEMAND.

Will Ask for Shorter Hours and "No Sunday Work."

Chicago, Dec. 15.—The 8,000 employes in the shops of the Pullman Palace Car Company are preparing to take a stand in support of a demand for shorter hours and no Sunday work.

Foremen in all the shops were notified to-day that individually the men would not report for Sunday work hereafter.

The Pullman company has never recognized any of the unions of the men in its employ, and the unions have not asked recognition in this case. The various bodies quietly agreed that members would take the stand and put an end to Sunday and overtime work.

Later, it is the purpose of the unions, it is asserted, to formulate a scale of wages providing for a slight advance and submit it to the company.

There are twenty different crafts or trades employed in the shops which have been organized.

Yoakum's Confidence Not Shaken.

B. F. Yoakum, president of the Frisco, returned to headquarters in St. Louis yesterday, after an absence in New York of several weeks. Mr. Yoakum's confidence in prosperity was not shaken by the slumps in stocks in Wall street recently. He stated that further Frisco plans were not ready for announcement. President Carpenter of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois was in conference with President Yoakum at the local headquarters yesterday.

Ramsey Returns From Pittsburg.

Joseph Ramsey, Jr., president of the Wabash, returned to St. Louis from Pittsburg yesterday, and confirmed the report of his statement to the Pittsburg Councils last week. Mr. Ramsey says that his statement covered the situation. He believes that the Wabash is entitled to an entrance to the city, and he is determined, he states, to withdraw from the contest if the city thinks the Wabash can be of no use to it.

Notice to Taxpayers.

Tax bills for 1902 will have to be paid on or before the 31st inst. The heavy penalties provided by law on delinquent taxes will be enforced after January 1st, 1903. Payment now will save time and inconvenience to taxpayers.

St. Louis, Dec. 9th, 1902.

L. F. HAMMER, Jr.,
Collector of the Revenue.

Big Saving by Per Diem.

J. W. Midgley states that the operation of the per diem system of paying for foreign freight cars is saving the railroads the enormous sum annually of $210,750,000. This sum will be largely increased, it is argued, when the per diem system is working at its best.

BENNY YANGER OUTPOINTS "CROCKY" BOYLE AT CHICAGO

Philadelphia Fighter Lasts the Limit by Some Excellent Sprinting.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—Benny Yanger defeated "Crocky" Boyle of Philadelphia to-night at the Lyceum Club's boxing show. The affair went the six rounds, but that was because Boyle is an excellent sprinter. Yanger could not catch him, although he had him in several tight places in the corners.

Boyle is a speedy boxer. That is all he is. He cannot hit with any degree of strength. He hit Yanger often enough straight in the face to whip almost anybody else, but the little Italian never minded the punches in the least, and at the end of the battle did not have a mark as a result of all the fussing.

But at the same time Yanger did not do much to "Crocky," for the reason that Benny, as usual, went to the short ribs more than he did for the face.

The footwork of the Eastern fighter is the feature of his work. He can slide away from a man with the speed of an Abe Attell, and to-night got out of more tight places than the average fighter possibly could. He was constantly on the backward go. He circled around the outskirts of the ring, with Yanger in full pursuit, going hard for the body at all times, with an occasional smash at the head that did not connect with a vital spot.

It was only in the closing round that Yanger began to make it look as if there might be a knockout. But "Crocky" was too foxy to be caught.

BENSON AS A POOL EXPERT.

Former Three-Cushion Expert Wins Easily From Sherman.

Frank Benson proved last night at the Broadway that he is an expert at pool, even if he no longer is identified with the three-cushion billiard game. In a 100-point continuous-pool match with Charley Sherman for a $50 stake, Benson won, hands down.