MR. CAYLOR'S CHAT.

The Bright Baseball Writer Gives Some Pointers About Affairs in General.

JACK GLASSCOCK'S GENEROSITY.

All League Clubs Will Be Stronger This Year and the National Game Will be a Howling Success.

THE INDOOR ATHLETIC CONTESTS.

Efforts to Reform Western Game Laws—General Sporting News of the Day.

[CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH.]

NEW YORK, Feb. 13.—The real sensation of the week was the announcement that Jack Glasscock had turned up in New York City and voluntarily signed a new contract at a big cut from his $5,000 salary guaranteed by his personal ironclad contract. The truth of this is vouched for by John B. Day, E. A. Talcott and J. G. Spalding. In spite of all, a few mischief makers promptly came forward and cast a doubt upon the statement with no object in view but to stir up or continue the ill feeling between the two factions of players which was fast dying out.

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I can speak from knowledge and say that the Glasscock story, as given out by Jack himself and the three New York gentlemen, is as true as Holy Writ. Personally I think Jack acted the chump. He might have known that his enemies, and he has many, would make capital against him by the very reason of his generous act. With him it was a case of pure generosity and concession to the good of the game. He had no call to knock off a cent, but he did a good act, and see his reward.

I hope, however, that Messrs. Day, Talcott and Spalding will remember Jack in the days to come. And should the agitators insist on doubting these men' word and attacking thereby personal honor, I would rejoice to see them retaliate by restoring Glasscock to his original salary.

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I am not going to outline a policy for the National Board before it meets, or before it does its work. But next week I propose to criticise its work after the work is done, and criticise it freely, too.

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The young men who write for the daily papers about baseball seem to be a wee bit timid in expressing their convictions upon one very important point of the great game. It is without question a conglomerated case of doubt. I refer to the general abstinence of the baseball reporters and editors from a free expression of opinion upon the probable outcome of the season of 1891 financially.

It seems to be a clear case of caution. Nine-tenths of these experts heartily hope the good old crowds of 1889 may again flock to the games next summer, but the general faith is not big enough to spread a prediction of that kind out before the reading public like unto a broad, beautiful bay tree.

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I am not one of the cautious band. My doubts on that subject do not exist. To me there seems to be no question about the restoration of the American's interest in the glorious American game. Why should it not return? The causes which suppressed the noble rage to some extent last year have disappeared. Moreover, you cannot point to one League club which will not have a stronger team in the field this year than it had in 1889.

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Boston will have all its men of 1889 it wants, with possibly the exception of Kelly. It will, besides, have Storey, Nichols, Long and Brodie to strengthen up on.

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New York will loose Ward, whose services will be fully offset by Glasscock. Denny ought to be a better man than Whitney, but if he is not, then Whitney is there to resume his old place. Rusie, Buckley and Whistler should certainly strengthen the team.

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The Philadelphia team will certainly gain by the addition of Hamilton, Sunday, Allen and a better first baseman than Farrer. It loses nothing.

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In Brooklyn, Ward, Hemming and Kinslow are added, and none are lost whom the club wishes to retain.

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Anson will keep all the men from his old team and the new he wants, and what a grand possibility there may be in it for your uncle.

Cleveland will strengthen in every weak point.

Pittsburg, too, keeps all the old men it wants, and will bolster up the weak places.

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If there be one club that may be no better than it was in 1889, the club is in Cincinnati. And yet it seems to me the Johnson team of Cincinnati is certainly stronger as it now exists than was the Brush club of 1889.

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In the Association there is no doubt about the Louisville, Columbus, Baltimore and Athletic clubs being stronger than in 1890. Perhaps St. Louis may not put a team afield so formidable as that of 1889, but it will be a doubloon beside a dollar when compared to last year's "Browns."

In Boston, Prince is beginning well, and is getting his team together.

And the Washington team strikes me as being almost a top-notcher.

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No one will deny the fact that every Western Association club will present stronger nines on opening day than it had at any time last season.

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Therefore I say, and I say it with the boldness of a Galileo, that there is not a city in the League or two associations whose citizens will not see stronger teams and better ball playing next summer than they have seen in a number of years.

That means big crowds and measures of enthusiasm.

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Many will go to the opening games and watch the two elements which warred with one another last year, working side by side under the banner of reconstruction. Some will expect to see the two pull like a pair of balky horses.

They will be disappointed. There will be such a hearty good will on the part of both these united parts to do as well as the other that the result will be a Spartan whole, and such ball playing as you never saw before.

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I am willing your readers should stick a pin here.

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A dispatch was sent out of Cleveland this week embodying a story to the effect that the American Association would surely disrupt the National agreement if the National Board did not decide every disputed question in their favor during the board's present session. Need I say that the war story grew out of Frank Brunell's fertile and fantastic brain.

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Mr. Brunell, though whipped, is, I fear, not conquered. He can't fight himself, but he dreams fight, and lays awake nights, when not dreaming, to figure out some possible way in which another "wah" might be precipitated.

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But someone should tell Mr. Brunell that the American Association magnates are not a drove of asses, which they would be to declare war now against the League and Western Association.

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This pretended effort to coerce the National Board would, if real, be a good deal like the man who leaves a dispute to arbitrators of his own choice, but notifies the arbitrator that he'll not abide by the decision unless it goes his way.

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The gentleman from Cleveland, I trow, wants to let baseball affairs alone this year, and take to politics or horse racing at Guttenberg.

O. P. CAYLOR.

DETAILS OF THE DEAL.

How the New Club Is Split Up Among the Local Magnates.

The details of the deal by which the old National League and the late Players' League Clubs of this city were merged into one were made known yesterday for the first time.

The court records show that the entire N. L. club was handed over to Messrs. Nimick and Converse for $75,000, that is $50,000 for the franchise and $25,000 for the grand stand, etc. Messrs. Nimick and Converse immediately transferred the franchise and other property to the new club for a quantity of stock equivalent to the value of the club they owned. The capital stock of the new club is $100,000, four-fifths of which have been taken. Messrs. Nimick and Converse own about one-third of the new club; J. P. O'Neill about $5,000 worth and P. L. Auten is the principal stockholder of the late P. L. directors.

GAME LAW REFORMERS.

Illinois Sportsmen Like Those in Pennsylvania—Want Some Changes Made.

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—An important special meeting of the Illinois Sportsmen Association, called by the president, Dr. N. Rowe, was held Thursday afternoon at the Sherman House. The subject of discussion was the proposed reconstruction of the present game law, which is in great disfavor with sportsmen and game dealers alike. Although the quail season ends December 1, the dealers are allowed to sell for two months longer, the supposition being that all quail sold during that time comes from other States. As was said several times yesterday, it would be impossible to frame a law which would enable anyone to detect the difference between the quail of Illinois and those from other States. It was therefore urged that if the law prohibited the killing of certain game after the first of any month, it should also prohibit its sale, no matter from what State it came, after the 10th of that month. January 1 was urged as the proper time for closing the season, as after that date the cold weather allows the game to become the easy victims of the trappers. Dr. Rowe urged that the supervision be left in the hands of the fish commission, and this was indorsed by all present.

The discussion occupied the entire afternoon and at the close a committee was appointed to act with the regular legislative committee, of which V. N. Low is chairman, to prepare a law in accordance with the suggestions made and, if necessary, to visit Springfield and obtain the co-operation of members in both Houses who will push its passage. This special committee consists of Messrs. Rowe, Bartlett, Baird and Borley. Colonel Bond and G. W. Barnett were also added to represent South Water street interests.

THE RESERVED PLAYERS.

A List of Men That Each Club Has Kept to Itself.

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—The folling is the official list of players reserved by the League clubs so far as made public by the National Board of Control:

Chicago—Reserved: Anson, Pfeffer, Cooney, Williamson, Dahlen, Ryan, Duffy, Carroll, Wilmot, Foster, Burns, Glenalvin, Farrell, Nagle, Kittredge, Graff, Hutchinson, Luby, Stein, Gumbert, Van Haltren, Dwyer, Tener, Earle, Darling.

New York—Reserved: Ewing, Clarke, Buckley, Brown, Keefe, Rusie, Welch, Crane, Sharrott, Burkett, Connor, Whistler, Bassett, Richardson, Glasscock, Wark, Whitney, O'Rourke, Gore, Slattery, Tiernan, Denny.

Released—Hornung, Murphy, O'Day.

Brooklyn—Terry, Lovett, Caruthers, Hemming, Daly, Bushong, Clark, Kinslow, Foutz, Collins, Pinkney, Burns, O'Brien, Smith, Ward.

Released (conditionally) — Donovan and Visner.

Philadelphia—Reserved: Clements, Gray, Hallman, Gleason, Sanders, Myers, Allen, Mulvey, Mayer, Hamilton, Sunday, Thompson, Fogarty, Thornton, Schultz and Esper.

Released—Farrar and Buffinton.

Pittsburg—Reserved: Beckley, Bierbauer, Miller, Rost, Burke, Hanlon, Carroll, Fields, Staley, Galvin, Smith, Day, Anderson, Berger, Mack, Decker, Wilson, LaRoque, Kuehne.

Released—McCormick, Peck, Conway, Morris.

INDOOR ATHLETIC CONTESTS.

A Number of Good Entries Already Received, and Good Prospects of Success.

The prospects for the proposed indoor athletic contests promoted by the East End Gymnasium, which take place on February 26, are exceedingly encouraging. Quite a number of entries have already been received. The contests will be numerous, and Pat Farrell and another local man will give an exhibition of the "manly art."

The entries so far received are: High kick—H. B. Lang, W. Hastings, J. B. McClelland, G. Geoway, Z. Taylor, W. Du Barry, H. C. Fry.

Pole vaulting—J. Gibson, D. Barr.

Running high jump—C. S. Miller, J. B. McClelland, D. Barr, Ross Fisher, G. Geoway, Z. Taylor, W. Hastings, H. C. Fry, W. Du Barry.

Running long jump—C. S. Miller, J. B. McClelland, W. Du Barry, C. Lambing, H. C. Fry.

THE LOCAL DOG SHOW.

Some Great Features to Be at the Big Canine Exhibition.

The office of the secretary of the Duquesne Kennel Club is now temporarily at James Bown & Son's, 663 Smithfield street, where entries can be made for their inaugural bench show to be held at Grand Central Rink March 10-14.

One feature of the show will be the extraordinary performances of Prof. Parker's celebrated trained dogs, who have created a furore wherever exhibited and have been the subject of extended press notices. Entries for the bench show will close on February 24. Correspondence with all the leading dog fanciers warrant the assertion that the bench show will be in no wise inferior to any ever given, and some of the finest kennels in the country will have exhibits.

THE HOMEWOOD HANDICAP.

Lots of Crack Shooters Enter for the Big Event Next Saturday.

Entries for the shooting handicap at Homewood Park next Saturday are coming in quite rapidly. Five more were received yesterday, making a total of ten. As many more are expected between now and Wednesday. The entries close on that day. Mr. Beardshaw, the promoter of the handicap, is confident that the affair will be a great success if the weather is fine. Among yesterday's entries was E. T. Jones, of Demmler. He is a promising young shot, but has almost entirely confined himself to clay birds. John Dixon also entered.

All the best shots in the vicinity, that is those accustomed to the rules that will govern the handicap, will be in the contest.

Johnson in New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Albert L. Johnson, the Cleveland street railroad and baseball magnate, reached town to-day, and will remain here for a week. He is part owner of the Cincinnati club, which the League magnates are trying to "freeze" out of their circuit. Mr. Johnson says he is waiting to see what the magnates do in Chicago before instituting legal proceedings for the protection of his property. "My offer to the League, through John T. Brush, of Indianapolis, which divided the club into equal shares between us, was perfectly fair, and by it I will stand or fall. When the League rejects my offer I shall protect myself. Messrs. Stern and Sterne sold us all the Cincinnati club's franchises. Did we pay $40,000 for nothing? Mr. Brush makes his case worse every time he steps foot in Cincinnati."

Local Patrons Pleased.

Local baseball players were in great glee last evening when they learned the Board of Control had decided that Mack and Bierbauer must play in Pittsburg next season. At the various resorts, where patrons of the local game assemble, the decision was the absorbing theme of conversation. The general opinion was that there was no baseball law which could deprive the local club of the services of the two players; that is, this opinion prevailed generally before the decision was rendered. Readers of the papers will not be surprised at this decision, because in these columns it has always been maintained that both men were signed legally, and much credit is due to Messrs. O'Neill and Hanlon for the work they have accomplished.

They Couldn't Agree.

The backers of Billy Williams and Ed. Reilly met at this office last evening to try and make a match for the two men to fight, but failed. Reilly refused to fight for anything less than $250 or $500 a side. Williams pointed out that he could not raise that amount of stake, as his backer was not willing to put up that amount of money. Williams further stated that he could get a guaranteed purse of $100 and would bet Reilly $50 on the result. Reilly replied that this would not pay training expenses.

Hadn't Their Constitution Ready.

The application of the Allegheny Athletic Association to join the A. A. U. was not dealt with by the latter yesterday as the local organization has not yet forwarded their constitution and bylaws. The latter are in the hands of the printer but could not be gotten ready in time for yesterday's meeting so that the matter will be deferred until the next meeting of the A. A. U. Executive Committee.

John L. Says No.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—In regard to the offer of the Ormonde Club, of London, to put up a purse of £2,000 for a contest between Slavin and Sullivan, Richard K. Fox yesterday received the following reply from Sullivan:

"I cannot accept the offer for the reason that I am under contract for two years and cannot fight unless for a purse of $25,000 or $30,000. I leave for Australia June 15."

ENTRIES for the coming Bench Show will be received at James Bown & Son's gun store, No. 603 Smithfield street. wsu

ON TOP THIS TIME.

Pittsburg's Claims on Mack and Bierbauer Indorsed at Chicago.

THE BOARD OF CONTROL DECIDES.

Stovey Goes to the Boston League Team and a Reproof Given to the Magnates.

CLEVELAND MAKES A LITTLE KICK

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

CHICAGO, Feb. 14.—It was not until this afternoon after a session continuing all day yesterday and until 3 o'clock this morning that the Baseball Board of Control announced its decisions in the famous players' cases. Chairman Thurman summoned all the magnates to the hotel smoking room and in their presence read the Board's verdict. The results of the Board's wrangling briefly are as follows:

In the Bierbauer case the claim of the Athletics was refused and the player given to the Pittsburg club. In the case of Stovey the claim of the Athletics was refused and the player was awarded to the Boston League club. In the case of Mack the claim of the Boston Association was thrown aside and the player awarded to the Pittsburg club. The cases of Hoy and Haddock were not brought before the Board and these men will therefore not be disturbed in the contracts with the Athletics and the Boston Association teams. In the case of Lyons, who was claimed by the Chicago club on the strength of his contract with the Players' League club of Chicago, the Board refused to allow the claim and Lyons will remain with the St. Louis club, $500 in pocket by the transaction. In the case of player Powell, of the Spokane club, who threw himself on the Board's mercy, his club owed him money which he could not collect, and the Board released him to sign with any club he desired.

The decisions were read with all the dignity and solemnity of a regular court of justice. J. Palmer O'Neill and Hanlon, of course, were happy. The Boston Leaguers were not represented, but they evidently had a tip on the Stovey decision. The verdict caused some excitement by the manner in which it was rendered. Never before in such a public manner was sharp practice in baseball matters given such a stinging blow of reproof. It substantially says to Pittsburg and Boston: "We are guilty of a perfectly implied understanding, but unfortunately we cannot prove it." The words used in the decision are: "We are therefore reluctantly compelled to decide in favor of Boston."

In summing up, the Board said: Undoubtedly Pittsburg has the legal right to the men, but morally it has not. It ought withdraw its claim, but as it does not we must reluctantly decide in favor of Pittsburg. The case of H. G. Stovey was exactly the same as that of Bierbauer except that he was claimed by Boston and the Board was compelled to decide in favor of Boston. Connie Mack was given to Pittsburg. He was claimed by the Boston Association club. The Board also adopted a classification of leagues and associations, based on the salaries paid, the number of clubs and the population of their cities.

The sensational business of the day was transacted in a meeting of the National League. There were present A. G. Spalding, J. M. Spalding, Robinson, Byrne, Reach, O'Neil and Brush. It was determined to sit down heavily on Al Johnson and wipe out whatever alleged claim the Brotherhood orphan may think he still has. Brush and Van Hamm explained the status of the Cincinnati situation. The showing made was satisfactory and all the Leaguers present obligated themselves to stand by and uphold the action of the League in expelling the old club and maintaining the right of franchise granted to the new club, represented by Brush, Van Hamm, Mason, Frost and associates.

This in itself would be sufficient to completely knock out Johnson, but the magnates trampled upon the corpse by agreeing that as the old players of the Cincinnati club were formally reserved by the League at the time of Cincinnati's expulsion, they should be assigned to the new club and that all League clubs refrain from communicating with or negotiating for any of said players. More than this it was further resolved that all clubs should unite in co-operating with Cincinnati to give it material playing strength, so as to have it occupy its old-time prominent position. Brooklyn also offered George Smith, the really great outfielder, to Cincinnati, and New York, Chicago, Pittsburg and others followed suit promptly. Cincinnati will thus secure a fine League team but Al Johnson is absolutely frozen out and loses every dollar of the $40,000 he invested in baseball.

The National Board adjourned at 9 o'clock this evening, after action upon details concerning its routine work. The Western Association also finally adopted a schedule and adjourned. To-night nearly all the ball men left for their homes.

BECOMING HARMONIOUS.

Connor, O'Rourke and Richardson Will Bury the Hatchet at New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 14.—Early morning trains landed three of New York's star ball players in town yesterday. Roger Connor, James H. O'Rourke and "Danny" Richardson came to Gotham to talk business with Messrs. Day and Talcott relative to their signing League contracts for 1891. All of these players were at Mr. Talcott's office yesterday.

"Jim" O'Rourke was the spokesman for the trio. His sentiments are very manly and commendable, and should be copied by every ball player who has the success of the national game at heart. He said:

"Yes, there must be harmony in the New York team. The public really demands it. I don't think there'll be any ill feeling between the old Brotherhood men and those who remained with the League. Every man is liable to make mistakes, for which he should certainly be excused by his fellow men.

"Personally I have no feeling of enmity against Glasscock and other League players, nor do I think the other Brotherhood players have. We must all forget the past and pull together now for the good of the game. I am already training for the opening of the season, and feel in tiptop shape.

"Yes, Ward will have a great team in Brooklyn if he is allowed full control. The Brooklyns will give us a hard fight. But if we play together I have no fear as to the final outcome of he League race."

MAD IN CLEVELAND.

The Forest City Cranks Think Pittsburg Is Getting Too Much.

CLEVELAND, Feb. 14.—The Cleveland club naturally objects because Pittsburg, which welched in the 1890 fight, is receiving more consideration from the League than Cleveland, which more than fought its way along. Any players wanted by Cleveland are found to have a price upon their heads. Pat Tebeau has begun to dicker over terms with Cleveland, and has sent on his uniform measurements. He will captain the 1891 team. His price now is very high. Beatin signed a Cleveland contract to-day and leaves for Hot Springs tonight.

The players sought by Cleveland now are Crane, Buckley and Sharrott, of New York Wilmot, of Chicago, and McGill, the left handed pitcher. The latter is dickering over terms. Wilmot is to be bought, and Crane Sharrott and Buckley given. Mutrie interferes on the two pitchers. Manager Leadley has secured the Jacksonville, Fla., grounds from March 10, and is likely to share them with either Louisville or Cincinnati. The trade with the Boston Reds of Childs for Stricker and Radford hangs fire, though the latter pair has signed. Barnie is accused of interference, wanting Childs himself. Frazer, of Syracuse, who sold Childs to Boston, has been after but cannot find him, and the deal may cost Boston more money to close.

PITTSBURG GETS LEFT.

Gallagher, of Buffalo, Wins His Match With Conners at Oil City.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

OIL CITY, Feb. 14.—The Opera House was well filled here to-night for the wrestle between Dennis Gallagher, of Buffalo, and James Conners, of Pittsburg. Arthur Windsor, of Titusville, was chosen as referee. The first fall, in 17 minutes, and the third fall, in 3½ minutes, Græco-Roman, were won by Gallagher. The second fall, in 8 minutes, and the fourth, in 6 minutes, catch-as-catch can, were won by Conners. The fifth, collar-and-elbow, was won by Gallagher in four minutes, giving him the match and 40 per cent of the gate receipts. Conners gets 25 per cent.

After the last fall $50 forfeit was put up by each for a match for $200 a side, to take place here in six weeks, the style to be catch-as-catch-can, best two in three. Conners' wrestling in Græco-Roman was almost wholly on the defensive, but he made it interesting for Gallagher in the catch-as-catch-can. The crowd was well pleased. There were some side contests in sparring, in which Buffalo, Erie and Oil City talent participated. There was little betting to-night, but several good ones are already made on the match for which the forfeit has been posted.

Extends the Pool Challenge.

As nobody in Allegheny county has responded to the challenge issued by Henry Schwab in behalf of H. B. Stoff, the former called at this office last evening and said: "I will match Mr. Stoff to play any man in Western Pennsylvania at continuous pool for $200 a side, 200 points to be game. This challenge will remain open for a week. I leave my $10 forfeit and if any person covers it I will meet them any night they mention to sign articles."

SOME LIVELY KICKING.

The Pittsburg and Lawrenceville Teams Each Win a Game at Liberty Park.

The opening games of the revised schedule of the Western Pennsylvania Football League were favored with weather of the most favorable description for football playing yesterday. The ground at Liberty Park was in excellent condition and a large number of spectators assembled to witness the games between the Lawrenceville versus Homestead and Pittsburg versus East End.

The contest between Lawrenceville and Homestead was commenced at 2:30, with Aleck Macpherson acting as referee. The play from start to finish was of a very high order, but the superior combination of the Lawrenceville's forwards enabled them to win by five goals to nothing. The Homestead players seemed to lose heart toward the close, but they ought to remember that they were playing against a team who are strong favorites for the pennant.

Great interest was taken in the game between the Pittsburgs (late A.A.A.) and the East End Club on account of the contestants being local teams. The Pittsburgs had great difficulty in getting their team together, and up to the last moment it was uncertain whether Captain Horn, who was indisposed during the week, would be able to play. At 4:00 the teams took the field in the following order:

Pittsburg.	-Position.	East End.
George Mephers'n	....Goal....	A. J. Liddell.
F. Horn.	.... Backs	J. Liddell.
T. J. Smith,		R. H. Liddell.
A. Macpherson,	..Half Backs..	W. Pickard,
B. Palmer.		Adams,
E. R. Dawson,		J. Pickard,
McEwen,	..Forwards..	Dunn,
J. Smith,		Wagner,
J. Royes,		Willet,
Annesley,		Borau,
Childs.		Geoway.

The play calls for no detail, as the Pittsburg team had the game in hand during the entire 90 minutes. Their play was a surprise to spectators and players alike, and with a little more practice they will make all the clubs hustle for the League championship. When time was called they were in the majority by 6 goals to 0, the Pittsburg goalkeeper only having one difficult shot to handle during the game. McEwen played a brilliant game in the forward rank, while Childs, Annesley and J. Smith also showed remarkable form, the former scoring no less than four of the goals. Horn played his usual safe game at back. A. T. Liddell played the best game for the East End and saved his team from a much heavier defeat. Charles White acted as referee, his decisions giving great satisfaction.

Barnes to Hayes.

Jim Barnes called at this office last evening and left the following challenge: "If Jack Hayes, of Duquesne, will reduce his weight to 135 pounds I will fight him to a finish under any rules for $200 a side. I will be at THE DISPATCH office next Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock prepared to make a match."

Shooting Handicap at Brunot's Island.

There will be a handicap shoot under the auspices of the Herron Hill Gun Club at Brunot's Island on Washington's Birthday. There will be five traps at unknown angles. The handicap will range from 14 to 22 yards and purses will be divided 40, 30, 20 and 10 per cent. Eight events will be contested and the entrance fees range from $1 to $1 50.

The New Castle Team Beaten.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

NEW CASTLE, PA., Feb. 14.—The McDonald Rovers, of Washington county, easily defeated the New Castles here this afternoon in a game of football by a score of 5 to 0. The Youngstowns play here next Saturday.

Sporting Notes.

TIM KEEFE has accepted an offer to coach the Princeton baseball team.

JACK HANLEY is in New York trying to get on a fight with Mike Cushing.

PRESIDENT O'NEILL expects to have Joe Mulvey on his list before he returns.

IT would have been extremely interesting to have seen J. Palmer's smile yesterday.

PAT FARRELL is anxiously waiting to hear what Fitzsimmons has to say about that fight.

LET it be plainly understood that Al. Johnson is playing a very foolish game once more.

BOSTON League people will also have a very high opinion of the board's wisdom at present.

FOR the time being, the Board of Control will stand very high in the estimation of Pittsburgers.

IT may be that a good outfielder may be secured from Chicago for the local club and then a deal may be made.

PITCHER CHAMBERLAIN pleaded guilty to the charge of "aiding and abetting" a prize fight and was fined $50.

THE Boston A. A. club can now keep Haddock and the Athletics can have Hoy. The latter may regret leaving the League.

ALEX. MACPHERSON, the popular local cricketer and football player, left for Chicago last evening on a visit to some friends.

IF clubs don't reserve players according to law, they certainly should not grumble if somebody else signs them. There surely is no questionable morality in that.

MANAGER LEADLEY, of the Cleveland club, wants to exchange Alvord for Carroll. It is said that President O'Neill is disposed to favor this deal but Hanlon is not.

WELL, the Board of Control has commenced in good form as far as Pittsburg is concerned. Other people will kick and we are sorry for them. We cannot all get what we want, of course.

AND we are told that Pittsburg has no moral claim on Bierbauer. That's funny, isn't it? Baseball law mustn't be based on good moral principles, according to the board's opinion.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY.

Wanted.

YOUNG MEN—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking their boots to shine with excels all. fe15-172

BOOKKEEPERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use; your employer will smile. fe15-172

BOOTBLACKS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use; easiest to shine; beats all. fe15-172

BOYS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE BLACKING to use for dancing parties. fe15-172

BRAKEMEN—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use, and make her happy. fe15-172

CAPITALISTS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use; gives satin gloss finish. fe15-172

CASHIERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use, and get salary raised. fe15-172

CIGAR DEALERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to sell fast; every dude uses it. fe15-172

CLERKS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE BLACKING to use; beats them all. Sold everywhere. fe15-172

CLOTHIERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to recommend; sets a suit off. fe15-172

CONDUCTORS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use; surprise your passengers. fe15-172

DRUMMERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use; first-class bootblacks use it. fe15-172

DRUMMERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use; boom it along; thank you. fe15-172

DUDES—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE BLACKING to use. They will look at you. fe15-172

EVERYBODY—TO USE AND TAKE NOTHING but O'Keefe's O. K. shoe blacking. fe15-172

GLASSWORKERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use; finest made; everywhere. fe15-172

GROCERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to sell; your customers want it. fe15-172

HOTEL KEEPERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking should be used by your porters. fe15-172

LADIES—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE BLACKING to use; elegant; polishes easily. fe15-172

MACHINISTS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use; take no other. fe15-172

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RAILROADERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use; nothing like it; waterproof. fe15-172

SALESMEN—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use; it's a dandy. Everywhere. fe15-172

SHOE DEALERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to sell; well advertised; sells rapidly. fe15-172

STOVE MOLDERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE blacking to use; preserves leather. fe15-172

TELEGRAPHERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." shoe blacking to use. Be solid with your girl. fe15-172

TINNERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE BLACKING to use; water proof. Sold everywhere. fe15-172

TYPEWRITERS—O'KEEFE'S "O. K." SHOE BLACKING to use. An elegant office shine. fe15-172

YOUNG LADIES—O'KEEFE'S "OK" SHOE blacking; see that your friends use it. fe15-172

NEW KINK IN STEEL.

The Allegheny Bessemer Plant Adopts a Novel Billet Device.

A HEAVY JOB OF GROUND RAISING.

For 13 Years a Maiden Waits for a Faithless Roving Lover.

THE M'KEOWN EXECUTOR APPOINTED

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

MCKEESPORT, Feb. 14.—The Allegheny Bessemer steel plant at Duquesne will start Monday to work two-inch steel billets 60 feet long, and will only heat the billet once working it. Heretofore the pig of metal had to be heated twice while being reduced to the steel billet, but with the improved method the eight-inch pig of metal will be heated once, and will then be started and worked from the top to the bottom of the mill, in order to be reduced to the steel billet 2 inches by 60 feet long. It will be the first time this has been tried, and the changes are being made so as to start it Monday.

Several acres of ground of the United States Iron and Tin Plate Company, of this city, located between the Baltimore and Ohio and the Pittsburg, McKeesport and Youghiogheny railroads, will be raised eight feet, to bring the level of the ground up to the railroad grade and above high water. The fill will cost the company heavily and will be made at once, so as to permit the building of additions that will double the size of the plant. The works are located on this ground, and the water now reaches the ground, which the fill will stop. The firm is taking bids for the big contract.

MILLIONS IN DISPUTE.

The Assigned Estate of Powell Sons & Co. Again in Court.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

BEDFORD, Feb. 14.—The affairs of the assigned estate of Robert Hare, Powell Sons & Co., so far as the same relate to lands in Bedford county, were before the courts here today. The Powells assigned their interest to the Guarantee Trust Company, of Philadelphia. In settling the estate the assignee conveyed the property in Bedford county to a corporation formed by creditors, known as the Powellton Iron Company. It is alleged by some creditors that did not assent to this arrangement that the assignee had no power to convey to the company, and action of ejectment by the Guarantee Trust Company was instituted last May, and as no appearance has been entered by the defendants a judgement was taken by default for the plaintiffs on the 2d instant, and a writ issued to the Sheriff to dispossess the defendants.

While this proceeding was pending, the Powellton Iron Company applied to the court to stay the writ, and the Trust Company declared that the proceeding was unauthorized by them. The magnitude of the controversy appears when it is considered that the appraised value of the property involved is over $2,000,000. It appeared in the proceedings that no notice had been given the Powellton Iron Company, and the judgment was irregularly entered. In finding this, the plaintiff agreed that the verdict be set aside and the case was ordered for trial at the April term, when it is expected an interesting trial will come up, in which will be developed the truth or falsity of the charges of mismanagement made by Attorney Newell on the part of the Guarantee Trust Company.

STILL KNOCKING OUT VOTES.

Craig's Counsel Throws Out 31 Additional Stewart Ballots.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

WASHINGTON, PA., Feb. 14.—The Craig-Stewart contest is being continued in this city to-day. The testimony in regard to the votes of the Second and Third wards of Monongahela City, the Second district of Fallowfield township, one ward of Washington, and the First precinct of Franklin township, was taken. In the Third ward of Monongahela City one vote was thrown out by the Craig people because the man had not paved his sidewalk.

When the First election district of Fallowfield township was taken up quite a scene occurred. Justice of the Peace W. H. Bligh, who had charge of the ballot box, declined to give it up for examination. A recess of half an hour was taken to allow Mr. Bligh time to consult his attorney in regard to the matter. At the expiration of this time the box was burst open by the contestant's attorney and the ballots examined. Mr. Bligh protested against this summary performance, but it didn't go. Thirty-one additional votes have been knocked out.

WAITED 13 YEARS FOR A MAN.

Now the Lady Wants $30,000 From a Physician to Heal Her Damaged Heart.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

YOUNGSTOWN, Feb. 14.—Miss Clara Ewing, a seamstress living here, this afternoon commenced suit against Dr. A. J. Lauterman, charging him with breach of promise, and demanding $30,000 damages. Miss Ewing alleges that the courtship commenced 13 years ago, and that the date of their marriage has been fixed several times, but the gay doctor failed to come to time, each time giving some excuse for further delay.

The defendant received a medical education abroad, and during a practice here of several years gained a high reputation as a surgeon. Several years ago he engaged in mining speculations in Arizona, returning here frequently, on which occasions Miss Ewing asserts he renewed his promise to marry her. A large amount of real estate which will come to Dr. Lauterman on the death of his mother living near here, was attached this afternoon.

A NOVEL ELECTION QUESTION.

Where May the Electors of Territory Recently Annexed Vote?

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

BEAVER FALLS, Feb. 14.—Some time ago viewers were appointed to establish a line striking off a part of Brighton township, Beaver county, and putting it into Industry township. This week the viewers presented their report, and it was confirmed absolutely by the court.

This action raises a peculiar question: Where will the voters in this annex to Industry township vote at the coming election? According to the election law a man must reside in an election precinct 60 days before he is entitled to a vote in that precinct, and the voters thus cut off from Brighton township will have lived only about a week in Industry township by election day.

UNDER A $3,000,000 BOND.

Attorney Acheson Appointed Executor of the John McKeown Estate.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

WASHINGTON, PA., Feb. 14.—M. C. Acheson, a well-known attorney of this city, has been appointed executor of the immense estate of the late John McKeown, the recently deceased millionaire oil operator, and has given bond in the sum of $3,000,000.

Mrs. McKeown's name appears with others on the bond. Ex-Senator J. W. Lee, of Franklin, is reserved as attorney, and will assist in the legal part of the settlement.

A REPUBLICAN MUNICIPAL VICTORY.

They Elect a Councilman in Massillon Against Strong Opposition.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

MASSILLON, Feb. 14.—At a special election to-day to fill a vacancy in Council, J. W. Cameron, Republican, defeated C. Worth, Democrat, by 24 majority, though the Democrats made a desperate effort to elect their candidate, as a victory would have given them a majority.

Councils now stands a tie, but will likely go to the Republicans after the spring election.

A Lima Drygoods Failure.

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

LIMA, Feb. 14.—Michael O'Brien, dealer in drygoods, made an assignment to-day to N. H. Holdridge. The assignment was precipitated by judgments being taken on notes aggregating $15,000.

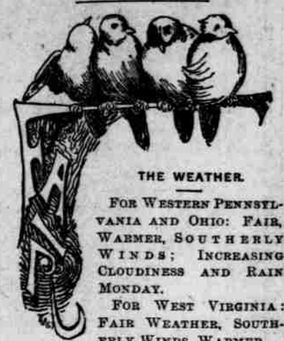
Tri-State Brevities.

ANDREW CARNEGIE will drill for gas near Hackbey station, Greene county, to supply Braddock mills.

SEWICKLEY people are reveling in cheap natural gas and no meters. Two companies are cutting rates.

EDWARD KLOTZ, charged with perjury, who broke jail at Canton in December, has been rearrested at Massillon.

THE Huntington and Renova Town Company, of which Huntington, the railroad magnate, is the principal stockholder, will locate a new town near Huntington, W. Va., in which the Ohio River Railway shops will be built.



THE WEATHER.

FOR WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA AND OHIO: FAIR, WARMER, SOUTHERLY WINDS; INCREASING CLOUDINESS AND RAIN MONDAY.

FOR WEST VIRGINIA: FAIR WEATHER, SOUTHERLY WINDS, WARMER.

PITTSBURG, Feb. 14.

The United States Signal Service officer in this city furnishes the following:

Time.	Ther.	Time.	Ther.
8:00 A. M.	31	8:00 P. M.	46
10:00 A. M.	—	Maximum temp.	44
11:00 A. M.	37	Minimum temp.	22
12:00	39	Range	15
2:00 P. M.	40	Mean temp.	36.5
6:00 P. M.	41	Snowfall	.00

SPECIAL WEATHER BULLETIN.

Canada the Principal Scene of the Fury of the Elements.

[PREPARED FOR THE DISPATCH.]

The center of high pressure settled over Canada Friday night, throwing off high northwest winds and a cold wave