A HARD ONE TO LOSE

Boston Champions Have a Lucky Inning and Down Our Sluggers.

VERY EXCITING CONTEST.

Ned Hanlon's Baltimore Team Defeat the St. Louis Browns.

MORE BALL PLAYERS DISGRACED.

Rain Once More Prevents a Number of League Games.

HARRY WRIGHT RELEASES THORNTON

There is lots of fun in baseball, and a deal more uncertainty. The unexpected is just about as likely to turn up in an argument in the national game as on Guttenburg race track. Had anybody ventured to remark yesterday afternoon at Exposition Park at the end of the seventh inning that the champion baseball players from Boston were going to defeat our sluggers, they would have been told to go to bed. Oh, how nice everything looked for the home representatives at that stage. Baldwin had only been touched up for two little single hits; Nichols had been thumped lively at an opportune stage, and the score stood 4 to 1 in favor of the home sluggers. Everybody was feeling at peace with himself, except Manager Selee and his team. Matters were going along as smooth and pleasant for the locals as a new ship going to sea.

That Very Awful Inning.

But that eighth inning came, and what a disastrous change it brought with it. Those terrors from the locality of beans, beauty and intellect let loose, and before a fellow could take his hat off they had taken the lead, and the day was theirs. What a surprise it was!

The attendance did not reach 1,000 because of the weather. A more miserable day for baseball couldn't well be. Rain fell at intervals, and a shivering wind swept across the park as cold and cheerless as the cranks who left the grounds after the Bostons had thumped out a victory.

To be sure the majority of people had fully expected the champions to win before the contest started, but when it had commenced and had proceeded so far as to make everybody believe that the home team could not lose, the unexpected result just about paralyzed everybody. And victory was so very, very near to the home players. Just think of it. Two men were out in that terrible inning, and no less than five hits were banged out and a base on balls donated. This piece of business just managed to score the Bostons four awfully big runs, they looked as big as pyramids, and that was just sufficient to win.

Got Enough and Stopped.

They generously stopped at that number. Had an earthquake swallowed up the diamond the little crowd could not have been more astounded.

Baldwin only had himself to blame for the sad result. He may have been too confident at that late stage of the game and have forgotten that old adage that it is never safe to whistle until you are through the woods. Be that as it may, his work in the eighth inning was a wonderful contrast to that of the preceding seven innings.

Certainly the Bostons are a good team, and yesterday they played with two very good men absent—Nash and Stovey. Still, they are a dangerous lot. Nichols pitched a fine game, and in only two innings could our sluggers find his measure to any extent. He was well supported and for this he ought to be thankful, for had he not been so well backed up it is probable that the four runs would not have scored a victory.

Mark's Good and Bad Work.

Baldwin never pitched better in his life than he did for seven innings. Not a hit was made off his delivery until the sixth inning, and in the seventh he displayed wonderful nerve. There were three men on bases and two men out. He had given two of the men bases on balls and the other had made a single. Long went to the bat to try and knock the ball out of sight, and Mark struck him out amid cheers. This was excellent work, but the next inning came sure enough.

The home players started out as if they were going to eat lively little Nichols up. Miller led off and was easily downed at first, but Louis Bierbauer, from Erie, cracked out a corking two-bagger to right center fence. Shugart followed with a single in the same direction. McCarthy fumbled with the ball long enough to allow Bierbauer to score.

When the third inning came round Nichols seemed to be sweeter pie than ever. Miller started off with a rattling single to center and Bierbauer got his base on balls. Miller stole third and a passed ball sent Bierbauer to second. Shugart loomed up with a two-bagger and two runs tallied. Farrell's sacrifice sent Shugart to third and Beckley's single scored the run. Three runs looked tremendously big, but the home sluggers got no more as Mr. Nichols turned to and pitched his best.

Looked Bright at This Stage.

In the second half of the third inning the visitors began their run-getting. Tucker started out by being hit by a pitched ball. Nichols struck out and Elmer Smith made a beautiful muff of Long's fly. This placed Tucker on third and Long on second. Duffy's sacrifice scored Tucker.

Run getting was out of the question until the eighth inning. After Duffy and Stivitts had each been retired at first Mr. McCarthy made a safe single to right. Lowe got his base on balls, the judgment of the umpire being very, very bad. This may have rattled Baldwin a little. Ganzel was next and he made a short single, filling the bases. Irwin made another single and a run scored. Tucker kept up the fun and made another single and two more runs came in. This tied the score. Nichols next walked up and after taking in the situation banged out another single and the fourth run got home. That was all that was needed and as if by design Long knocked out a fly which Corkhill caught.

The home players were crestfallen and never looked like scoring in the ninth and the game was lost and won. The score:

PITTSBURG.	R	B	P	A	E	BOSTON.	R	B	P	A	E
Miller, m....	1	1	2	0	0	Long, s.....	0	0	2	3	1
Bierbauer, 2.	2	2	3	4	0	Duffy, m.....	0	1	1	0	0
Shugart, s...	1	3	3	5	0	Stivetts, l...	0	0	0	0	0
Farrell, 3....	0	0	0	4	0	McCarthy, r.	1	1	2	1	1
Beckley, 1...	0	1	9	0	0	Lowe, 3.....	1	1	2	0	0
Smith, l.....	0	1	1	0	2	Ganzel, c....	1	1	3	2	0
Corkhill, r...	0	0	2	0	0	Quinn, 2.....	1	1	6	2	0
Mack, c.....	0	0	4	0	0	Tucker, 1....	1	1	9	0	0
Baldwin, p..	0	0	0	1	0	Nichols, p...	0	1	2	4	0
Total.....	4	8	24	14	2	Total.....	5	7	27	12	2

Pittsburg..... 1 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 0—4
Boston..... 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 4 *—5

SUMMARY—Earned runs—Pittsburg, 2; Boston, 3. Two-base hits—Shugart, Bierbauer. Sacrifice hits—Bierbauer, Farrell, Corkhill, Duffy. First base on errors—Pittsburg, 1; Boston, 2. First base on balls—Bierbauer, Smith, Lowe, Quinn, Nichols. Stolen base—Miller. Double play—Nichols and Tucker. Struck out—Farrell, Beckley, Baldwin, Long, Tucker, Nichols. Passed ball—Ganzel. Hit by pitched ball—Tucker. Left on bases—Pittsburg, 5; Boston, 7. Time of game—One hour and 50 minutes. Umpire—Macullar.

To-Day's League Schedule.

Boston at Pittsburg; Brooklyn at Cleveland; New York at Louisville; Philadelphia at Cincinnati; Baltimore at St. Louis; Washington at Chicago.

To-Day's Home Games.

The home sluggers will tackle the champions again to-day, weather permitting. Galvin and Mack will be the local battery, and probably Staley and Kelly will officiate for the visitors.

Baltimore, 5—St. Louis, 3.

ST. LOUIS, May 11.—[*Special.*]—Van Haltren's home run in the eighth inning won the game for Baltimore. The game was brilliant throughout, St. Louis holding her own in good style. The weather was cold, keeping the attendance down to 1,100. Score:

ST. LOUIS.	R.	B	P	A	E	BALTIMORE	R	B	P	A	E
Crooks, 3....	1	1	1	3	0	V'Haltren, r	1	2	2	0	0
Carroll, l....	0	0	3	0	0	Welch, m....	0	0	2	0	0
Werden, 1...	0	0	10	0	0	Shoch, s.....	0	0	2	0	0
Glasscock, s.	0	0	4	1	0	Whistler, l..	0	0	0	0	0
Brodie, m...	1	2	2	1	0	Wood, 1.....	1	1	3	0	0
Caruthers, p.	1	1	1	0	0	Pickett, 2....	1	1	2	4	0
Stricker, 2...	0	2	0	3	1	Shindle, 3...	1	3	1	2	1
Buckley, c...	0	0	3	0	1	Gunson, c...	0	0	5	1	0
Genins, r....	0	2	0	0	1	Healy, p.....	1	1	0	2	1
Total.....	3	8	24	8	3	Total.....	5	8	26*	9	2

*Caruthers hit by batted ball.

St. Louis..... 1 2 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—3
Baltimore..... 0 0 1 2 0 0 0 2 *—5

SUMMARY—Earned runs—St. Louis, 3; Baltimore, 2. Two-base hits—Caruthers, Pickett. Three-base hit—Brodie. Home runs—Crooks, Shindle, Van Haltren. Stolen bases—Stricker, Buckley, Van Haltren, Shindle. Double plays—Brodie and Buckley. First base on balls—Off Healy, 2. Struck out—By Healy, 4; by Caruthers, 1. Passed ball, Gunson. Time of game—One hour and 45 minutes. Umpire—Emslie.

The League Record.

	W	L	PC		W	L	PC
Boston.....	16	5	.762	Washington ..	9	10	.474
Brooklyn.....	13	6	.684	Philadelphia..	9	11	.450
Louisville.....	13	7	.650	Chicago	8	11	.421
Pittsburg.....	13	9	.591	New York.....	7	11	.389
Cleveland.....	11	9	.550	St. Louis.....	7	15	.318
Cincinnati	10	10	.500	Baltimore	4	16	.200

THE RUNAWAY'S WAIL.

Manager Powers Tries to Bolster Up a Case by False Statements.

LOUISVILLE, May 11.—[*Special.*]—Manager Powers telegraphs Mr. Mandigo, the sporting editor of the *Sun*, as follows:

Our position in regard to the forfeited game at Pittsburg is as follows:

On the day previous our game was called at 3:45 o'clock. I reached the grounds yesterday at 2:30 o'clock, and telephoned at 3 o'clock for the players to come to the grounds. They arrived there before 3:30 o'clock, and we were ready and willing to play up to at least 4:05 o'clock. Then, as we had not been requested to play, and as the grounds were not in condition to play upon, and as it had commenced raining again, I, after consultation with President Day and Captain Ewing, and no umpire having appeared, concluded to return to the hotel.

We did not leave the grounds, however, before 4:15 o'clock, and as we were driving through the gate at 4:20 o'clock, Umpire Macullar jumped on the bus and asked if we had not better return and start the game. I asked Macullar distinctly if he honestly thought the grounds were in fit condition to play upon. He refused to say that they were. It had been raining hard all day. We advised Macullar that after the time advertised for calling the game he had lost all jurisdiction, and we decided not to return.

Mr. Day wishes me to say that when a tricky, unprincipled manager takes an unfair advantage of an ignorant umpire somebody has got to suffer, unless the manager makes a mistake. This time we think the Pittsburg manager has made a bad blunder. Macullar, at 4:25 o'clock, decided the game forfeited to Pittsburg. This we learned afterward. I trust our friends will recognize that our position is correct, and will not charge us with the loss of this game in their records, as our showing on this trip has been unfortunate enough without losing games we did not play.

P. T. POWERS,
Manager New York Baseball Club.

Alliance Club's Reply.

ALLIANCE, O., May 11.—[*Special.*]—In answer to the challenge issued by the Eclipse Baseball Club, of East Liverpool, the Alliance team agrees to play that club three games of $100 each, the winning club to receive 75 per cent of the gate receipts; that one game be played on the East Liverpool grounds; one game on the Alliance grounds, and the third on the Canton grounds; that the umpire be chosen by the sporting editor of the Cleveland *Leader* or *Plain Dealer*; that the same players be used in all games as in those played at Alliance on May 6 and 7. Each club is to post a forfeit of $25 in the banks of East Liverpool, Alliance and Canton. The above answer is signed by Emmett Morgan, manager of the local club.

More Drunken Players.

CINCINNATI, May 11.—[*Special.*]—Jerry Harrington did not profit by the lesson of a week ago, but proceeded to have a time last night with Willie McGill, the boy wonder. The latter was released and Harrington suspended by Captain Comiskey this afternoon. Harrington will likely be blacklisted. Harry Vaughan's terms have been accepted, and he will be at once installed in the Reds' receiving department.

The Climax Team.

The Climax Club, of last year's County League, will cross bats with the Tarentum Club on the latter's grounds next Saturday with the following players: McSteen, c.; Smith, p.; Pennington, s.; Minehart, 1; Johnson, 2; Stevens, 3; Maulsh, l; Clark, m.; Carr, r.; Hyland, sub.

Thornton Released.

CINCINNATI, May 11.—[*Special.*]—Your Uncle Harry Wright has given pitcher Thornton his walking papers and he did not remain over with the Phillies to-day. It was so cold that to-day's game was declared off and two will be played to-morrow.

Western League Games.

At Columbus—
Columbus .....9 1 3 0 0 0 2 0 *—15
Omaha .....0 0 0 0 0 4 0 1 0—5

The Diamond.

TO-DAY is ladies' day at Exposition Park.

THE Keystones will play at Jeannette Saturday.

DAVE COUGHLIN has been released by San Francisco.

SPORT—The decision of the umpire makes it a game.

AND after all Baldwin pitched a great game yesterday.

ELMER SMITH was in poor form in left field yesterday.

THE Silver Leafs want to play any of the local junior teams.

D. M. L.—The Pittsburg team play in Pittsburg on the 30th inst.

KILLEN, the Washington pitcher, struck out ten times in five games.

MACULLAR was a little out of line on balls and strikes yesterday.

CLARENCE WILLIAMS, recently of the Cuban Giants, has signed to play with the Keystones.

FATTY CHILDS in 16 games did not strike out a single time, made 15 hits and got 17 bases on balls.

THE Climax players are expected to attend the meeting to be held Friday evening at C. Bros'.

YESTERDAY'S game was about the toughest to lose that there has been seen here for many a day.

KEEFE says Clements is the best catcher he was ever paired with. That's a good in-shoot at Ewing.

AS the season progresses the veterans are getting down to effective work, while the young "phenoms" are being batted hard.

THE Boston players look on Comiskey's team as a crowd of men who will play great ball at times, and especially on the home grounds.

LAST evening Jake Beckley stated that he was chiefly responsible for yesterday's defeat. He stated that better judgment on his part would have retired Quinn.

GEORGE HADDOCK goes to Hanover, N. H., today to train the Dartmouth College boys, and to teach them how to hit Hollister, of Williams, who is Haddock's pupil.

RAIN prevented the League games at Chicago, Cleveland, Louisville and Cincinnati yesterday, and the Western League games at Indianapolis, Milwaukee and Toledo.

JIM MUTRIE appears to realize that his baseball days are over. He now expects to engage in a more congenial occupation, viz., keeping hotel. He will probably locate in Elmira.

THOSE youthful and genial baseball authorities, Ed. Stevens and Tom Murnane, are here taking notes with the Boston team. They had much to say after the eighth inning yesterday, but were concealed under the stand until then.

IN the sixth inning yesterday, with Smith on first, Corkhill knocked out a safe hit to right. Smith thought it was a "fly" and stopped between bases and was thrown out, robbing "Pop" of his hit.

THE Bostons could have been retired without a run in the eighth inning yesterday if Bierbauer had thrown the ball to Baldwin after Quinn had hit it. Mark covered first, and Bierbauer evidently did not see him, as Beckley was in the way. Quinn could have easily been retired.

"NOW, don't think for a moment that you're a lot of good players just because we've beaten these stiffs," Anson said to his men while they were dressing after the first game with the New Yorks. "Be around for practice in the morning just the same as if we had been slaughtered by the Baltimores."

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AZRA IS THE WINNER.

The Bashford Manor Colt Captures the Kentucky Derby in Great Style.

HEAVY BETTING ON THE RESULT.

A New Race Track to Be Built by Homestead Patrons of Horse Racing.

GENERAL SPORTING NEWS OF THE DAY

LOUISVILLE, KY., May 11.—In spite of cold and threatening weather there were 12,000 people at the Derby Day opening of Churchill Downs spring meeting. The track was fair, but not fast, and the sport was excellent. There were 30 bookmakers on the ground, and the crowd was decidedly one of the betting kind and money poured in on every race. Although Ed Carrigan was conceded by many to have the Derby at his mercy, he received another Kentucky surprise, for the mighty Huron went down before the Bashford Manor colt Azra, although only by a nose, in the best finish seen here since the memorable Proctor Knott-Spokane race.

The time was remarkably good considering the condition of the track, and shows the colt Azra to be one of the greatest in the country. Clayton's riding of the colt was superb and was not looked for by the Corrigan contingent. The first race was won by Scoggan's entry, Bettina, the favorite of the talent, while the second race went to the even money favorite, Court Love.

Was a Very Pretty Race.

A prettier race than the eighteenth Kentucky Derby was never run on the Churchill Downs track, though there were but three horses in it. It was excititing and doubtful from the first few jumps. Money poured in on the Corrigan entry and the home plungers revelled Azra at odds of 9 to 5 and 2 to 1. They were sent away at first start perfectly aligned. Bretton rushed the mighty Huron ahead with all confidence; Azra was second, lapped by Phil Dwyer.

It seemed to be the intention of Mr. Corrigan to let Huron make the running with a pace too hot for Azra, and to win the race with Phil Dwyer when Huron had run Azra out. The pace was hot enough under ordinary circumstances for such intentions, and the programme was carried out until the head of the stretch. The long colt hung on however, and gave no evidence of weakening. In fact, it was very evident that of the two, Corrigan's horse was the more tired. Overton attempted to get Phil Dwyer in the lead, but the Longfellow colt was done for, and it was seen that the battle was to be between the leaders. Farther and father away from Azra did Huron and Britton get until five lengths separated them. As they passed the stand Clayton had eased up on Azra slightly. Azra answered the call nobly, and as he went ahead, Britton shot Huron ahead, keeping the distance the same between him and Azra. There was not a foot difference in this distance until they were within 200 yards of the wire, when Azra was three lengths behind Huron. Then it was that little Clayton straightened himself and called on the long candid.

A Very Game Response.

To everybody his response was perceptible, slowly on Corrigan's pride did the colt gain, getting ahead at every stride. Neck and neck they raced as the crowd yelled itself hoarse. Both horses were doing their level best, and it was simply a case of the best jockey. Just as they got under the wire the nose of Azra was lifted in front and the Derby was over. Phil Dwyer was a length behind and in the finish was coming very fast. The value of the Derby to the winner was $4,230.

First race, selling, six furlongs—Bettina, 109, Britton, 3 to 1, first by a length; John Berkeley, 108, H Anderson, 4 to 1, second by two lengths; Critic, 105, Hoggett, 3 to 1, third. Time, 1:18¾. Speth, 112; Palmetto, 112; Kangaroo, 106; Orrville, 102; Florence Sharks, 103; Governor Wheeler, 100; Fanny S, 107, also ran.

Second race, five furlongs, 2-year-olds, maidens—Court Lore, 113, Roy Even, won by a length; Inquire, 113; Gage, 3 to 1, second by two lengths; Marmaduke, 113, Nalling, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:05½. Dan Collins, 113, and Bessie Beven, 110, also ran.

Third race, the Kentucky Derby, one and one-half miles—Azra 122, A. Clayton, 9 to 5, won by the shortest of noses; Huron 122, Britton, 2 to 5, second by two lengths; Phil Dwyer 122, Overton, 2 to 5, third. Time, 2:41½.

Fourth race, three-quarters of a mile heats—First heat: Maud Howard 100, Goodale, 3 to 5, won by a length and a half; Ed Eshelby 86, Clayton, 2 to 1, second by three lengths; Johnnie Greener 86, L. Brown, 10 to 1, third. Time, 1:19. Second heat: Maud Howard, 2 to 5, won by half a length, Ed Eshelby second, Johnnie Greener third. Time, 1:19.

ALCRYON'S DRIVER REINSTATED.

A Few Important Turf Decisions by the Board of Review.

CHICAGO, May 11.—[*Special.*]—The Board of Review of the National Trotting Association rendered several decisions at its meeting today. In the case of the horse Alcryon, which was ruled off in the notorious race with the stallion Nelson, the matter was turned over to the President, ex-Governor Bulkeley, of Connecticut, and pending his decision the driver was temporarily reinstated. A check for $5,000, which one of the parties is alleged to have secured from a pool seller just before the race, caused the trouble.

A. E. Alvord, of Syracuse, who was expelled on the charge of entering the mare Mattie K in a wrong class and under an assumed name, was reinstated on payment of a fine of $100. Several minor cases, in which four owners were charged with entering horses under assumed names, or "ringing," were disposed of by imposing small fines.

Winners at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, May 11.—The races here to-day resulted as follows:

First race, four and one-half furlongs—Kismet won, Neva C second, Expense third. Time, 1:12¾.

Second race, for 2-year-olds, four furlongs—The Jewel won, Sarah C second, Merge third. Time, :51.

Third race, six and one-half furlongs—Vedette won, Oregon Eclipse second, The Deacon third. Time, 1:25.

Fourth race, six furlongs—Coronet won, L. J. Knight second, Odette third. Time, 1:18¾.

Fifth race, selling, five and one-half furlongs—Texas Girl won, No Remarks second, Jim Daugherty third. Time, 1:12¾.

Sixth race, handicap, one mile and 20 yards—Gayosa won, Vallera second, Jim Dunn third. Time, 1:46¾.

Homestead Horsemen Organize.

HOMESTEAD, PA., May 11.—[*Special.*]—A company has been formed here of 35 well known horsemen, under the name of the Homestead Driving Association. They have leased a portion of the Hays property, adjoining the town, for a half-mile track. Active work on the track will be commenced next week, and in a short while a level track will be laid out, on which the amusement loving public here expect to see many fine brushes this season. The members of the association are many of them well off in this world's goods, and they promise to make the season attractive.

Results at Guttenburg.

GUTTENBURG, May 11.—The track to-day was sloppy. There was but a small attendance:

First race, five furlongs—Elmstone first, Lebanon second, Shotover third. Time, 1:04½.

Second race, six furlongs—Jeweler first, Jupiter second, Debonair third. Time, 1:18¾.

Third race, five furlongs—Cocoa first, Whitehead second, Mohammed third. Time, 1:14¾.

Fourth race, six furlongs—Little Fred first, Alma T second, Rotation third. Time, 1:17¾.

Fifth race, six and one-half furlongs—Blitzen first, Mabele second. Time, 1:23¾.

Sixth race, seven furlongs—Kahlan first, Centaur second, J B third. Time, 1:32¾.

Bought the Tom Paine Farm.

NEW ROCHELLE, May 11.—An Ohio firm has bought the Tom Paine farm, comprising 500 acres, at this place, the consideration being $105,000. The property will be utilized as a stock farm, with a one mile trotting course.

The Turf.

THERE was little or no local interest in the Kentucky Derby yesterday.

"INDEPENDENCE" WILLIAMS denies that Allerton will trot against Axtell until after the pair have met on the Independence kite in August.

FRANK VAN NESS has purchased the good 2-year-old Morello from Mr. Doswell for William M. Singerly, of the Philadelphia *Record*. Singerly and Van Ness are partners in the Gloucester stable.

THE exodus to the West will begin at Guttenburg this week. Bradley's string will probably lead the procession. Leigh may go to Saratoga and McCormick will probably move into his old quarters at Brighton.

RUBEN, $2,530; Nathan Frank, $2,000; Woodpecker and Kildare, $1,960 each; Belle of Redmond, $1,525, and Oak View, $1,485, were the largest winners at the East St. Louis track, which ran 78 days and gave $93,000. J. Weber won 82 races, C. Weber 32, Jordan 30, Murphy 44 and McDonald 25.

THERE are some 140 horses at Garfield Park, but as yet the track is not fit to work upon. The list is: Santa Anita stable, 24; Haska stable, 10; C. Malone, 4; Louis Long, 14; Thomas Miles, 5; W. O'Brien, 3; T. Potter, 4; Columbia stable, 10; Helena stable, 12; C. Dorsey, 2; Gilford stable, Highland Park stable, 10; James Davis, 7; Oakdale stable, 6; Finch and Vennum, 7; Russell stable, 5; Charles Hughes, 5.

TWENTY-FIVE DEAD ROOSTERS

And Any Amount of Dead Drunks at a Big Ohio Cocking Main.

ZANESVILLE, O., May 11.—[*Special.*]—The greatest cocking main ever held in Southeastern Ohio took place to-day and to-night at Pierce's Island, in the Muskingum river, seven miles north of here. Two hundred sports from Newark, Circleville, Redfield, New Lexington and other towns chartered the steamer Emma and left for the battle ground early this morning with fully 100 birds. A large quantity of liquor was taken along.

The first main was nine pittings, between Zanesville and Newark, on which the betting was fast and furious. Zanesville won eight out of the nine and pocketed no less than $5,000. This main lasted the greater part of the day, and by the time it was finished a large number of those on the ground were intoxicated.

Two men named White and Carr got into an altercation over the stakes of a side bet, and a general free-for-all fight ensued, in which a dozen men were more or less injured, some of them quite seriously. Revolvers were drawn and some shooting done, but all bullets went wide of the mark. Peace was finally restored, and the match of five pittings, between Zanesville and Redfield, was begun. Zanesville won three out of the five, and the home sports added materially to the profits of the day. Numerous side pittings were made, the total number being 60. Twenty-five birds were left dead in the pits, and no less than $7,000 changed hands.

Showalter Has the Best of It.

NEW YORK, May 11.—The eleventh game of the chess match was opened by John Showalter with Ruy Lopez. The opening moves were made unusually fast on both sides. On the twelfth move Showalter had the better position.

The Ring.

EASTERN patrons of the ring think that Plimmer is the best bantam weight there has ever been in America.

SOME authorities state that the date of the Slavin and Jackson contest will not be definitely settled until Parson Davies has been consulted.

TOM WILLIAMS, the Australian 146-pound champion, made a chopping-block of Bill Hatcher in the London National Club last Monday. He whipped Hatcher with a right-handed punch on the jaw. Time, one minute.

BILLY MURPHY, the Chicago feather-weight wrestler, writes from Birmingham, Ala., that he is matched there to meet Jack Bates, the Southern champion, next Saturday. He will visit New Orleans before returning to Chicago. Last week Murphy defeated Burt Smith, two straight falls, in Cincinnati.

Miscellaneous Sporting Notes.

THE races between W. Morton and Tommy Connell in England are regarded with suspicion.

JORDAN and his trainer are expected in the city to-morrow to be ready for Saturday's big foot race between Jordan and Priddy.

THE Columbia freshmen will probably accept Cornell's invitation to enter the regatta at Ithaca during commencement week. This will give a race between the freshmen crews of Cornell, Columbia and University of Pennsylvania.

C. D. HEYWOOD stands about 5 feet 10 inches, and when in training the Boston athlete weighs just 140 pounds. Although only 21 years of age, he has been an active frequenter of athletic meetings for the past five years, and during that time has managed to capture some 25 or 30 prizes, as well as break and make records in three different events.

THE secretary of the Racing Club of France has written President Weeks, of the New York Athletic Club, requesting him to send over a team of athletes to compete in the international athletic meeting to be held in Paris July 7. There are both scratch and handicap events on the programme, which includes 100, 220, 440 and 1,600 meter flat races, a 120-yard hurdle race, and a 2,500-meter steeplechase.

LITTLE BITS OF LOCAL GOSSIP.

NEXT Sunday Miss Adelaide Sherman, the railroad evangelist, will speak at the Walton M. E. Church, South Twenty-fourth street.

MARY IRVING, of Vera street, who disappeared from her home some time ago, returned yesterday. She had been living as a domestic with a family in Harmarsville.

WILLIS YOUNG, a teamster, living at 126 Kirkpatrick street, had his left leg broken yesterday afternoon by a heavy stone falling from a wagon and striking him to the ground.

MICHAEL MCCORMACK, of Berg street, Twenty-seventh ward, left home in search of employment last Saturday and has not been heard of since. His wife and daughter notified the police yesterday.

THERE will be a cake sale at the Sunday school of the Church of the Ascension on Ellsworth avenue during the afternoon and evening of Thursday, May 12, given by the members of St. Agnes' Guild.

WM. SCHUETZ, the well-known glass worker of the Southside who took the Koch cure for consumption at the German Hospital in Philadelphia, and was discharged as cured, is in a serious condition at the residence of his brother-in-law, F. N. Stucky.

THE body of an unknown man, killed on the Pennsylvania railroad at Brushton Tuesday evening, is lying at the morgue awaiting identification. He was about 40 years old, had dark brown hair and mustache, and was dressed in good but well worn dark coat and vest, brown striped trousers, blue and white striped shirt and soft black hat.

NOTES FROM POLICE DOCKETS.

MRS. HIGGINS is locked up on a charge of larceny entered by Margaret McCarthy before Alderman McKenna.

FRANK SERGWORTH ate a good meal and refused to pay for it at a South Twelfth street restaurant last night. Then he was arrested.

HARRY BETLER, of Lower St. Clair township, was arrested last night, and gave bail for a hearing before Alderman Bluchner, on a charge of miscellaneous mischief, preferred by Herman Suelz.

THE police are looking for William Moran, aged 22, a good looking ex-hotel clerk from Boston, who recently, under promise of marriage, secured $200 in cash and a diamond ring from Grace Pierce, a young lady bookkeeper from New York. Moran is thought to be in this city.

WILLIAM J. WOLF, son of a leading grocer on the Southside, was arrested at Wheeling yesterday, and will be brought here to-day to answer several serious charges made by young lady acquaintances, among them Lulu West, the 16-year-old girl who was picked up on the street a few weeks ago looking for Wolf, and dressed in male attire.

Pittsburgers in New York.

NEW YORK, May 11.—[*Special.*]—The following Pittsburgers are registered at hotels here: A. C. Bane, Imperial; A. H. Bryce, Murray Hill; F. G. Bryce, Murry Hill; D. Dorsey, Sweeney's; H. I. Gourley, Westminster; L. Gross, Holland House; M. Keress, St. Denis; A. P. Manning, Astor; T. Markery, Metropolitan; F. McKnight, Sweeney's; E. S. Morrow, Westminster; S. T. Paisley, Westminster; S. Roedelheim, Astor; H. Schloss, Astor; W. H. Sydenham, Cosmopolitan; B. F. Veach, Gilsey House; J. J. Vogt, Metropolitan; R. L. Walker, Astor; E. B. Godfrey, Gilsey; J. J. Arrett, Everett; A. P. Manning, St. Denis; J. P. McKinney, Imperial; W. G. McKinney, Imperial; W. J. Moorhead, Imperial; J. Neale and wife, Hotel Imperial; H. Price, Everett House; J. S. Vandergrift, Imperial.

Ocean Steamship Arrivals.

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City of Paris.....	New York.....	London.
Barrowmore.....	Baltimore.....	London.
Wesser.....	New York.....	Bremerhaven.
Elbe.....	Bremen.....	New York.
Noordland.....	Antwerp.....	New York.
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CARDS ARE HARMLESS

If Not Connected With Gambling, Says a Pittsburg Pastor at

YESTERDAY'S LUTHERAN MEETING

The Ministers Favor Giving Lay Workers Every Power But One.

NEWSY NOTES FROM NEARBY TOWNS

[SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.]

GREENSBURG, May 11.—At to-day's session of the Lutheran Conference some warm discussions ensued over disputed questions. Rev. J. C. Kunzman, of Pittsburg, talked first on the subject, "Can a Teacher in a Sunday School Consistently Play Cards, a Game of Baseball or a Quiet Game of Billiards?"

Mr. Kunzman argued forcibly that so long as gambling is not allowed in games it is not wrong for even a Sunday school teacher to indulge in such recreation. A half dozen ministers present were on their feet in a moment to enter objections, but Rev. Mr. Kunzman, firm in his opinion, refused to give way. He was reinforced by Rev. Mr. Potts, from Pleasant Unity. Gambling, he admitted, is a great evil, and even the semblance of it must be avoided; but gambling could be introduced by the evil-minded into any form of pleasure or amusement and instruction, and it is not right to prohibit the pure from entering into these amusements because they had been turned to bad account.

How About the Monday Sheet?

Rev. Mr. Herbster, in discussing "Church Work and Printer's Ink," attacked the Sunday newspapers. "When the sons of God assemble," said he, "the devil assembles with them, and His Satanic Majesty has lots of stock in the work of the press."

A very spirited discussion on the establishment of a Board of Deaconesses within the bounds of the Conference was led by Rev. John Mueller, of Altoona. It was finally decided that the question of deaconesses' work be a subject for the next meeting of Conference. Rev. D. M. Koerner, of Pittsburg, read a thesis on lay workers. A long discussion followed, which resulted in the Secretary being instructed to report to the Synod that the thesis is the expression of the Conference. Its acceptance practically empowers laymen attending to every work connected with the Lutheran Church, excepting the administering of the holy communion.

Rev. Mr. Koerner thought it would be best that laymen seeking this distinction shall first undergo a thorough examination as to their qualifications personally, and a thorough inquiry into their religious doctrines and practices.

At the meeting to-night, Rev. John Mueller, of Altoona, a native of Russia, addressed the Conference on the famine in that country and made a plea for assistance for his fellow countrymen. A collection was taken up and a well-filled purse raised for the sufferers. After deciding to meet in Uniontown in the fall the Conference adjourned.

Two Church Troubles Discussed.

At the early morning session of the Conference two important questions were decided upon: Rev. Mr. Ulery read a report on the German Church of Latrobe, and the report of the committee appointed to investigate the troubles there decided that the few dissatisfied members had no ground for complaint.

Rev. J. A. Boorn, in making his report, asked that the conference take some action regarding grave charges against Rev. G. A. Fiergan, of Connellsville. Rev. Mr. Boorn said it had been reported to him that Rev. Mr. Fiergan is in the habit of becoming intoxicated, and is also guilty of other unministerial acts. This report created some excitement, which was increased when Rev. Mr. Zeuber arose and also made a report, severely commenting upon certain actions of the Connellsville minister. A lively discussion on the matter was cut short by the prompt appointment of a committee of three to visit Connellsville and closely inquire into the charges.

Clearing Up a Robbery Mystery.

FRANKLIN, May 11.—[*Special.*]—The story connecting C. P. Hamilton, now in jail here, with the stealing of a package containing $10 000 from the Union Express Company on the Valley Railroad in 1874 is untrue. Relatives of Hamilton Ward, known to have committed the robbery, say the prisoner is not the man. Postoffice Inspector McCalmont is expected to arrive here at any time from Detroit. He brings with him J. L. Raymond, alias "Smith," who, with Hamilton and Tom Hughes, also in jail here, is accused of robbing the postoffices at Ridgeway, Elk county, and Chicora, Butler county.

Primitive Methodist Appointments.

NEW CASTLE, May 11.—[*Special.*]—The Primitive Methodist Conference of Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio closed its last session here this afternoon. Rev. J. P. Tyler, of Pittsburg, was elected General Missionary Secretary. The ministers will be stationed as follows next year in the Pittsburg district: New Castle, George Lees; Shawnee, J. N. Reseigh; Stoneboro, E. Holmes; Pittsburg, First, J. B. Tyler; second, H. J. Buckingham; Irwin and Westmoreland, John Bath; Sewickley, James Walker; Niles, Thomas Bell; Oil City, W. H. Litzenberg; Houtzdale, W. H. Holder; Gehartsville, Z. Boughton; Youngstown, H. G. Russell.

Two Allegheny Lads' Perilous Ride.

ALLIANCE, May 11.—[*Special.*]—Two boys, aged 12 years each, were arrested at the depot here this morning. They were sound asleep on the platform between two sleeping cars. They gave their names as Sam Young and John