

NEW E Y'S GAME
DOP... AS FAST ONE

SEATTLE, Dec. 30.—Football enthusiasts will witness the last game of the season New Year's day when the gridiron giants of the Seattle and Spokane Athletic clubs clash on Dugdale park. That it will be one of the hardest battles of the year is evident from the reports of improvement which have emanated from both camps. The Bunch-grassers will have a strong team in the field. It has been wonderfully strengthened by the addition of college players from Pullman. Hardy and Wexler, whose record on the gridiron this season has been brilliant, arrived in Seattle yesterday. Both will play against Seattle, and it goes without saying that they will prove a tower of strength to Spokane.

She Stopped Panic in Theater

Mary Garden, the prima donna whose success in "Thais" is one of the features of the grand opera season in New York, proved herself a decidedly cool-headed young woman the other day, in prevent-



MARY GARDEN
ing what might have been a serious stampede in the Manhattan Opera house. Toward the end of the second act a four-inch steam pipe burst behind the scenes. Instantly the house was filled with the hissing of escaping steam. Half the chorus stampede and there was evident inclination on the part of the audience to make a rush for the exits. Miss Garden continued to sing as if nothing had happened and a panic was averted.

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Beautiful Dupe's Breach of Promise
Suit for Vindication, Not for Money



MRS. MABEL ATHERTON, WHO LOST BOTH LOVER AND HUSBAND.

Special Correspondence to The Press.
LONDON, Dec. 30.—Social London is discussing with poorly concealed regret the unique and unexpected termination of the breach of promise suit brought by Mrs. Mabel Louise Atherton against Capt. John R. L. Yarde-Buller of the Scots guards. Most such suits are inspired by revenge, and Mrs. Atherton's demand for \$100,000 damages marked this as the usual sort, but with possibilities above the ordinary. The plaintiff was a member of the aristocracy, strikingly beautiful; the defendant a son of Lord Churston. Both were prominent in London society. But Mrs. Atherton asked neither damages nor revenge; instead, her desire was for vindication before the world. All she asked when the case came before the court was that her plea to be considered self-respecting, though frail, should be allowed; that it be published to the

THEATERS

SPOKANE
"The Blue Moon" closes a first rate musical comedy engagement this evening. The production has plenty of novelty and life with romance and adventure mixed. It is presented by a capable company. The next attraction for this week at the Spokane is Primrose's minstrelsy Tuesday and Wednesday with matinee.

AUDITORIUM.
The Shirley Co. opened a week's bill of fast and funny situations in "The Girl Patsy" last night. It is complicated enough to make it unusually interesting but is easily followed.

COLUMBIA
The usual bill of spectacular melodrama opened last night with the Curtiss Co. in "The Life of an Actress." Miss Brissac adds strength to the cast in the leading part and the balance of the company are assigned to the best advantage.

WASHINGTON.
Mystery on mystery is the big feature of the new vaudeville bill, the Great Albini furnishing the illusions by numerous difficult feats of sleight of hand. His act is a strong demonstration of the art. There is a puzzling acrobatic stunt performed by Paul Stevens, a good comedy sketch, comic opera and a pleasing chorus in addition to the regular illustrated song and pictures.

PANTAGES
The new bill opens this evening with two leading specialties and several other good popular amusement features.

WASHINGTON WALKER
CHALLENGES WESTON

SEATTLE, Dec. 30.—Pedestrian Peter J. Panchot, of Auburn, has issued a sweeping challenge to Edward Jayson Weston, the elderly walker who recently completed a long jaunt from Portland, Me., to Chicago in record time. Panchot is anxious to meet his old-time rival and he offers to walk him most any distance for a side bet of \$5,000 or will make the event open to the world for an entrance fee of \$500 per man.

Panchot is no novice at the walking game. He competed with the best men in the world about 30 years ago and claims to have held the heel-and-toe record at one time.

IRON WORKERS WIN.

The Union Iron Works won from the Holley-Masons by a score of 16 to 8 at the indoor baseball game yesterday afternoon. Ward of the Iron Works made the only home run that is on record of the league this year.

GIVES UP TITLE, RICHES AND LIBERTY
FOR LOVE OF WASHER WOMEN'S GIRL

BERLIN, Dec. 30.—Love has exacted some tremendous penalties, but it visited the limit upon Count Francis Erasmus Erbach, scion of one of Germany's oldest and most distinguished families.

It has shorn him of an annual income of \$1,000,000, of all that unlimited wealth and noble birth offers, of hope of succession to the family title and estates, of his liberty even, and forced him into a cell in a madhouse.

When it became known several years ago that the count was infatuated with Dora Fisher, pretty, dainty daughter of a washerwoman on his father's estates, there was consternation in his family and a sensation throughout Germany.

The count belongs to one of the mediatised houses, if not the royalty, and his family retains the right to select its mates from the bluest blood of any royal house. In the old days the head of the family was an independent prince.

Small wonder his love of a washerwoman's daughter should set the nobility of Germany agog!

The count was only 18 when he met the girl one day while riding in the forest at Erbach. It was a case of love at first sight, and many meetings followed. The count's father threatened to disinherit him unless he abandoned his mad infatuation for the girl. Her parents were equally strenuous in their opposition to the intimacy, knowing the usual outcome of such cases.

The count was obstinate. He insisted that he would marry her, washerwoman's daughter or no, when he became of age. When that time arrived he eloped with his lovely sweetheart in an automobile, crossing the French frontier and fleeing to London, where they were married.

The count's father immediately called a family council and it was decided that unless the marriage was annulled the count should be disinherited and regarded as an outlaw. Meantime the count was spending his honeymoon in Paris. Exhaustion of funds forced him to return to Germany. Only recently he was seized at Frankfurt-on-Main and incarcerated in a madhouse by his relatives. His marriage had been declared null and void.

Within a fortnight a tribunal, comprising Prince Stolberg-Wernigerode, Prince Herman Schoenburg-Waldenburg and Count Solms-Laubach, immediate relatives of the count, formally deprived him of all rights of succession to the entailed family estates and awarded the succession to Count Arthur Erbach, an uncle of Count Erbach. Belonging to a mediatised house, the count cannot appeal to an ordinary court, the will of the family being absolute. He must accept disinheritance without hope of regaining his right to the succession. The family fortune is estimated at \$50,000,000, and includes four vast estates, with castles on each, and magnificent residences in Berlin, Munich and Vienna.



COUNTESS ERBACH IN HER PEASANT'S DRESS, AND COUNT ERBACH

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NOTED UMPIRES AS SEEN BY GREAT PITCHER

BY PITCHER ADDIE JOSS
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Probably no men are as much abused as umpires. No matter how well they may do their work, or how conscientious they may be, thousands leave the grounds vowing they could have done better.

One umpire, when the fans were roasting him unmercifully on a decision against the home team, in which he was right, said to me: "Well, 'Ad', there seems to be a lot of amateur umpires in the stands today."

It's amusing at times to hear people say that the umpire was wrong in a decision. Probably the fan is sitting out in the right field bleachers, a hundred yards away; still, he thinks he is as competent to render a decision as the arbitrator, whose business it is to be as near the play as possible, and who, in all probability, was standing directly over it.

Jack Sheridan, who by many is considered the dean of umpires, is perhaps the best man, day in and day out, there is in the game. Nothing seems to worry him, no matter how enraged the over-enthusiastic spectators are or how wild the expostulations of the player or manager.

To all he turns a deaf ear and pursues the even tenor of his way. Sheridan commands the respects of all the players in the league. He is the only major league umpire that never uses a chest protector behind the bat.

Jack takes his position behind the pad artist, and whenever the catcher moves, Sheridan moves with him. I have never seen him hit with a ball that a chest protector would have warded off.

Tommy Connolly, because of his conscientiousness, is called the "whitest little umpire in the game."

Tom is one of the easiest of umpires to get along with. You can approach him on a decision he has given that isn't just as you thought it should have been, and, if spoken to in the right manner, will always listen to what you have to say, and will, as a rule, give you an answer something on this line: "Well, you know, old boy, we don't all see them alike. I thought he was out."

And he is game to the core. He has demonstrated this in more ways than one. During the first year of the American league Ban Johnson gave him the task of umpiring a long stretch of games at Baltimore. Connolly's decisions didn't meet with the approval of McGraw, and he proceeded to make life miserable for the arbitrator.

Things reached the stage that every time he would make a decision that wasn't favorable to the home team the bleachers would start after him. At the conclusion of each game there would be a small sized riot, with Tommy the center of attraction.

Johnson wanted to transfer him after a few of these scenes, but Connolly requested to be left there, which request was granted.

He stuck it out and in the end conquered. It takes nerve to pass through an ordeal of that kind.

Francis O'Loughlin, better known as "Silk," is an umpire who has probably attracted more attention than any other man in the business. "Silk" broke into the American league at the beginning of the season of 1902. He made good from the jump.

O'Loughlin has all the necessary



ADDIE JOSS
THE UMPIRE

requisites of a great umpire and in addition has a voice with which to announce his decisions that makes it possible for every spectator to hear him. "Silk" is absolute master of the field and impresses that fact on the players in no uncertain way. His memorable decision in the last game of the Philadelphia-Cincinnati series at Philly, when he called Davis out for alleged interference by a spectator, will go down as one of the most notable of its kind. Too much has been said about Tim Hurst for me to enumerate his virtues. Tim is one of the characters of the game and will always remain one. He gets along with the different players of the league, because he has always some answer for anything they say to him. Tim pulled one on Ira Thomas one day last summer that is a fair sample of what one has to expect when trying to get the best of the chubby arbitrator. In his last chance at the bat Ira had been handed what he thought the worst of it on a third strike and was sore at being called out. As he assumed his position behind the plate he turned to Tim and said: "Tim, you must be blind; that ball was a foot outside." "Is that so?" questioned Hurst. "Yes, and you know it," came the reply. "Well," responded Tim, "let me give you a piece of advice, Ira. If

you see any more of those balls coming up that you say are a foot wide of the plate, you had better hit at them, as I don't think my eyesight has improved any in the last few minutes." And that settled the argument.

PORTLAND TOURNAMENT.
Despite the trouble at the S. A. C. the other night when the Sullivans, Dan and Gene, created a rough house, both those worthies have been sent to Portland to represent the S. A. A. C. at the tournament against Multnomah New Year's eve, John Adams and Homer Tilley, wrestlers, and Earl Ritchie and George Douglas also went.

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Barbara Haegele, plaintiff
vs.
George L. Haegele, defendant.
The State of Washington to Said Defendant, George L. Haegele: You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty days after the date of the first publication of this summons, to-wit, within sixty days after the 14th day of October, 1907, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for plaintiff, Barbara Haegele, at their office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demands of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court. This action is to secure a decree of divorce from the aforesaid defendant.

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