

FOR THE SPORTS.

Washington Nationals Admitted to the League and Indianapolis Asks for Membership.

A Place in Either the League or American Association is Good Enough for Milwaukee.

A Bill to be Prepared for Congress Amending the Statutes Relative to Yachts.

The Late Billiard Tournament—Gossip in the Ring—General Sporting Notes.

BASE BALL.

Indianapolis Wants Admission to the League.

In reference to the dispatch from Washington, stating that in consequence of the admission of the Nationals to the league a club from Indianapolis would be admitted, base ball men say Indianapolis has had an application for membership before the league for some time, and has reason to believe it will be favorably received.

Will Not Join a Third. In connection with the rumor that a third base ball association will be formed in opposition to the American association and National league, and that Milwaukee will become a member of the new organization, officials of that city's association positively announce that under no consideration will they become a party to any such arrangement.

Hardie Henderson has signed with Baltimore.

Paul Hines will play with the Boston next season.

The Canadian Base Ball league will submit a proposition to the National league clubs to play in Canada on Eastern and Western trips.

Said James Murtre of the New York club: "I have a telegram to Orr of the Metropolitan club, offering him \$200 to play first base for the Brooklyn club, and the balance, his own terms, to 'captain the club.'" This is the easiest way to get over the \$2,000-limit rule.

Something That Will Interest Yachtsmen.

The committee appointed by the New York Yacht club to prepare a bill for Congress amending the revised statutes of the United States relative to yachts, has drafted such a document, which has been intrusted to Congressman Perry Belmont for presentation before that body.

A National Skating association has been organized at New York, its object being to promote and reward speed in skating by establishing speed skating championships of America, and also a figure skating championship, according to the rules of the American Skating congress of 1868.

Jem Smith, who beat Davis in a mill for \$1,000 aside in England last Wednesday, is scheduled to fight John Matthews in New York, N. J., near the latter place, Dec. 19.

A rifle match was shot by teams of ten men each from the Twenty-third Separate company of Hudson and Company B, Tenth battalion, of Albany, at the latter place, Dec. 17.

A special committee composed of delegates from the cricket clubs of New York, New Jersey and Connecticut, is arranging for the organization of a cricket association similar to that of Philadelphia.

At the Jackson Street rink on Tuesday evening the Stillwell and St. Paul Polo clubs will play a match.

A Tanjoo Shantier Showhouse club has been organized at Detroit.

Among the items in the appraisal of the estate of the late J. C. McFerran, proprietor of the Glenview farm, Louisville, Ky., were some that will interest breeders.

The four stallions on the place—all noted horses and successful sires—are Nutwood, Cuyler, Parkville and Wicklow. They were appraised at \$30,000; three seventeen-year-old mares are placed at \$400 each; five ten-year-old mares are valued at a total of \$7,000; four fourteen-year-old mares are valued at \$5,500; nine eleven-year-old mares are valued at \$10,000; and five ten-year-old brood mares are valued at \$6,500; four four-year-old brood mares are appraised \$4,000; one seven-year-old brood mare, Rapidan, is valued at \$1,500; the blind mare Elvira, four-year-old record 2:18 1/2; by Cuyler, is appraised at \$2,000; and Isadora, four-year-old record 2:28 1/2; by Pancoast, is valued at \$3,000; eighteen one-year-old fillies are valued at a total of \$18,000, or \$1,000 each; thirty-nine yearlings are valued at \$27,300; one yearling colt by Cuyler is placed at \$500; the nine yearling colts by Nutwood are appraised at \$12,000.

H. N. Smith, whose failure was the sensation of the day in Wall street not long ago, says that in the future he will devote all his time to his extensive breeding farm near Trenton, N. J., at which he has some of the most noted and best bred stallions and mares in the country. The daughters and grand-daughters of the famous mares Goldsmith Maid, Lady Thorne and Lucy, all of whom were owned by Mr. Smith, will not be sold from the farm, but reserved for breeding purposes. It is probable that Mr. Smith will trot his horses in public next season, something that he has not heretofore done.

Harry Wilkes, 2:15, is being wintered at Lexington; Frank Nan Ness, who has him in charge, also having Albert France, 2:31, in his stable. Harry Wilkes was attacked with a mild form of pink eye, but he had it not been for this mishap he would have endeavored to beat his record. His reported "trial" at Cleveland in 2:09 1/2 is believed by nobody who has investigated the matter.

After purchasing the stallion Epanolet 2:19, in Kentucky, Mr. Robert Steele bought his three-year-old sister and shipped the pair to Philadelphia. In the car with them were Buzz Medium, 2:30 1/4, and Angeline Medium, both being in foal to Nutwood, 2:15 1/2. They are bred to Epanolet next season, as will Toto, a full sister to Trinkett, 2:14.

A lady of fashion of advanced age requested the services of a page, and advertised: "Youth Wanted." One of her nearest friends went by the next post a bottle of Black's celebrated wrinkle-remover and skin-tightener, a box of fairy bloom, a set of false teeth, a flax wig, and a cake of iodine soap.

Ed McKeown of Winnipeg recently sustained a severe fracture, which may cause him permanent retirement from the ring.

Pat Killen of Chicago retired Charles Gray of Louisville at the latter place in three rounds.

Albo Miller defeated Jack Bailey in a fight at Kansas City recently.

Jack Ashton and Pete McCoy sparred in New York last week.

Billiards. Finish of the Balk-Line Tournament.

The balk-line billiard tournament which closed at Chicago Saturday evening, in which Schaefer, Vignaux and Stossion were the participants and which was won by the former, did not create the enthusiasm of the first tournament did. The playing on the whole was not up to the average, and the odor of hippodrome, resulting from the former Chicago tournament, took away the interest that was manifested in the former

CITY LIFE TEMPTATIONS.

The Struggle For Fame and Ambition For Wealth.

The Attractions of the Saloon and Club—Fashion and Folly.

Miscellaneous Petty—General Still-water Siftings.

Last evening Rev. Dr. Dunn delivered the second of a series of lectures in the M. E. church to a large and appreciative audience. The lecture was on City Life and its Temptations. It was for the benefit of young people and lasted about forty minutes and was highly appreciated by the large audience, as was demonstrated by the close attention Dr. Dunn began by saying, "City life develops speed, the people drive themselves to business, trades or professions at forced rates, and as a result exhaust energy, inactivate themselves by over-exercise and weaken their power of endurance by pleasures. Like the panting racers on the track they see on all sides rivals, and from dread of defeat push their physical and intellectual powers, taking little time for rest or meals, or for sober reflection. On, on they go, goading the willing animal to the goal, and having exhausted their strength, drop when only half way through life."

Like the restless river beating in fury the banks which restrain it, so the crowd rushes on, spurred by restraint. The cares of business are made so binding, politics so raging, and the thirst for wealth so great, competition so exasperating, so physically and mentally overtaxed that man is soon worn out. The soul seldom gets a good chance amid the enticements for eye and appetite. The result of all this is that cities are usually centers of bad influences. There the human race deteriorates, not simply morally, but physically. There families die off rapidly, and were it not for the wide domain of country tributary to our cosmopolitan centers, cities could not be maintained.

Here the speaker dwelt at length upon the artificial, unnatural character of city life. The normal life of men is the home life; but moved by the splendors and attractions of a city we are less likely to be attached to the joys and delights of home life. Watering places for the summer give place to boarding in the winter. This is true also of the poorer classes. The saloons, with its music, or the

GLARE OF THE CLUB, together with the genial fellowship of neighbors similarly situated in life, all draw this class from the seamy hovels. Many young men are found in hotels and boarding-houses absolutely without a home. This is an artificial way of living. Evil flourishes on the ruins of homes. Such a life is unnatural. The social distinctions we meet, the fashions we see, the restless, vitiated tastes of a large number of the people are conducive of disease, poverty and unchristian distinctions, gives children wrong views of life and leads the youth from sobriety and virtue.

After speaking of the tendency of city life to center not only of civilization and intelligence, but also of benevolence. And God seems to have made the suggestion to the world by requiring six

CITIES TO BE BUILT. In the very heart of Israel that those in trouble might find help and refuge there. There are, therefore, peculiar causes for vices in city life. It is not strange that your men coming to these great centers of immoral influences should get adrift. There is everything there to impair if not destroy the sensitiveness of the conscience, and to lead them from their early training.

Therefore, that we may be the more able to help them, we will here some of the temptations to which young people are exposed in this city.

When a young man enters a city from home, or from the country, it is a fearful crisis in his experience. By that act he brings and fashions his early life. He is brought to face ideas of wealth, honor, indeed of life itself, he has never before known. Here he finds temples for worship and prisons for culprits side by side, courts of justice, the saloon and school crowding the way-side. Here are ideas of success contrary to his early education. In speaking to such a man I re-echo the voice of the written word when the prophet cried aloud, "Go speak to that young man." This then is the first temptation when the

GLITTER AND GRANDUEUR of city life combine to de throne the young man's conscience; to destroy his principles and peace of mind. Another temptation arises out of the lifting of the restraints of home and friends. He is a stranger in a great city of strangers. He has come to the city to make his home with his parents, whirling with a thousand fancied modes of success, and now, without the advice and restraint of home, he is tempted in wrong paths to honor and wealth.

Then, too, he finds that often dishonest principles in trade succeed and success is tempted to practice deceit, to crowd conscience, and to be more "liberal" in his views of duty and honesty. He sees libertines and defaulter and Sabbath-breakers respected by society, and wonders if his own views of duty and honor have not been too rigid. He sees vices are popular and religious interests weak. He finds a model young man in society or business an infidel in religious matters, and wonders if drinking and gambling can be real vices when they are so little affect the standing of the young man.

Here are some of the temptations about our youth, and to meet this fearful array of evil powers a young man must enshrine true, manly, Christian principles in his soul.

The Christmas services held in the Ascension Episcopal church yesterday morning were largely attended and were very interesting. Rev. Langlois of Minneapolis officiated. The music prepared especially for the occasion was quite interesting and was well received by the hearing.

Rev. Joseph Martin of Minneapolis preached in the Universalist church yesterday. The attendance was good and the services were the first held in this church this winter.

Usual services were held in the Presbyterian, Baptist, the three Catholic churches and all the other churches yesterday and were largely attended. The weather accounts for this to a great extent.

Rev. Dr. Dunn preached at Houlton yesterday.

Notes About Town. Last night the members of the Manner-Singing society and their children celebrated Christmas at music hall in grand style. The program consisted of a large treat, beautifully illuminated, distribution of candy and singing and a general good time, such as the Germans always have on such occasions.

The only amusements announced for the coming week is the K. C. ball and the Manner-Singing ball, on New Year's eve, and "Dad's Girl" at the Grand on New Year's eve and night.

Barney McMenamy, one of the old settlers of this place, died at 6:30 last evening at the residence of Mrs. Mary Calopy on Seventh street south. Age, seventy-five years.

The preliminary examination of Fritz Boecking is set for this morning at 9 o'clock before Judge Netherway.

The Polo club will go over to St. Paul tomorrow evening to try and do up the Jackson Street club.

Miss Anna McDermott of Hudson is enjoying the hospitality of friends here.

A special meeting of St. John's lodge will be held to-night at 7:30 o'clock.

Capt. James Stewart is home from an exploring expedition up the river.

The Lancers club had a successful practice at the grounds yesterday.

Mr. C. J. Nelson, who has been quite sick, is better.

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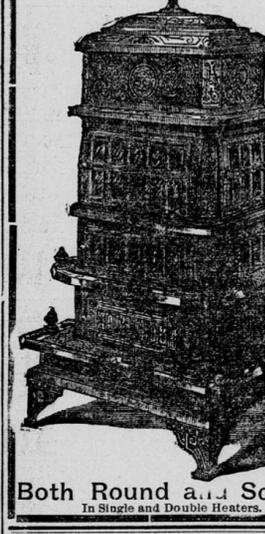
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