MAKING A SCHEDULE.

That Will be the Business in Hand at Omaha Next Saturday.

Five Members of Indianapolis' League Team to Play in New York.

The Referee of a Fatal Prize Fight Indicted for Murder.

Kilrain and Vaqeluin Scheduled to Fight in New Orleans To-Day.

One of the most important events of the Western association season will occur at Omaha next Saturday—the schedule meeting. The notice was issued yesterday by Secretary Roche. Messrs. Thompson, of St. Paul, Mulcahy, of Sioux City, and Rowe, of Denver, constitute the committee, but representatives of all the clubs will gather at Omaha to look after the various interests. It is understood the three gentlemen of the committee have each a schedule, and at least a couple of others will be presented by outsiders for consideration. Mr. Thompson, for St. Paul, will not insist on having the "long end of it," but he will ask that St. Paul be given a much fairer show than a year ago, when all the holidays were awarded to other cities, and the Saints were obliged to play at home during both the trotting and running meetings, and close the season with twenty-one games in September. Of course, this sort of rank injustice will not be tolerated. A game in May is worth three times as much as one in September, and it is an incalculable advantage for a club to begin a season at home. These things will not be lost sight of by Mr. Thompson. His scheme, which seems to possess no elements of unfairness, is to have the Northern clubs play a short series with one another at the start, the Southern clubs at the same time playing together, and follow with the circuit North against South, etc., apportioning the holidays as nearly equally as possible, and dividing up the unprofitable September series.

HOOSIERS IN GIANT SHOES.

Five Members of the Indianapolis Nine Go To New York.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—It is stated that at least five of the Indianapolis base ball nine will play with the New York league team this season. Jack Glasscock and Jerry Denny, it is stated, are among the quintette with the five Western men as a nucleus the New York league management calculates on getting together a presentable nine to take the place of the Giants of last season. The new men will join the New Yorks on their Southern trip, according to the story. President Brush, of the Indianapolis nine, denies the truth of the statement.

HELPING THE FAVORITES.

Peculiar Method of Signing Players at Sioux City.

SIOUX CITY, Io., Feb. 1.—The base ball prospects for this city, that have not been very encouraging for some weeks, are now brightening. The financial part of next season's work is the one thing that has not cast a doubt over Sioux City's prospects in the base ball line. A meeting of stockholders and a few interested citizens was recently held and the matter fully discussed. It was figured that $20,000 would carry the club through the season in pretty good shape. Of this amount $6,000 must be raised by subscription, and three of five men have been found who agree to carry the club until it is in shape to be self-supporting, which will probably be two years hence. There is little doubt but that the other two will be found. President Peavey is out something like $5,000 on last season's work, for which he has the franchise to show. He is willing to subscribe liberally for the coming season, but will require that he be secured from further loss. Vice President Mulcahy, who has the active management of the club's affairs, has been doing a little quiet inquiring among other clubs in the association, and the result will be that Manager Powell will be called upon to explain several things that do not appear plain to the directors, but which cost a great deal of money. Particularly in this connection may be mentioned the fact that Powell has signed his favorites for six and one-half months at a stated salary per month, while others in the club get only five and one-half months' contracts, the same as are made elsewhere. This little piece of apparent favoritism will cost the management about $1,700. The traveling expenses last season have been investigated, and it is found that Sioux City paid more for sleeping car fare than any other club. As an instance, it may be mentioned that St. Paul and Omaha transported their men from Omaha to Denver on several occasions at a cost of $37 for sleeping car berths, whereas Manager Powell claims to have paid out $50 on each trip. Another item of seeming extravagance was the outlay for bats. No trip cost less than $12 for clubs, while on one trip the Cornhuskers got away with $17 worth. These are small matters, taken separately, but for the season the aggregate was large. Probably satisfactory explanations can be made. The following players have been signed for 1890, though it is probable that one or two changes will be made before the playing season begins: Pitchers, Burdick, Seibel and Devlin; catchers, Crotty, Crossley and Murphy; first base, Powell; second base, Brosnan; third base, Kappell; shortstop, Stephens; outfielders, Glenn, Genins and Cline. Seibel's contract has not yet been received here, but it is understood that he has affixed his signature. The manager of the Cleveland league club has written a letter to Vice President Mulcahy, asking for a playing date with the Cornhuskers some time in April. A reply has been sent, naming April 12. If the new grounds can be completed on lower Fourth street, the first game will be played there.

UNLUCKY THIRTEEN.

Anson Signs His Last Man on Friday.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—Anson now has a team, including himself, which numbers thirteen. The thirteenth man, Cliff Carroll, was signed yesterday; and, after he had affixed his signature to a contract, the big captain said: "Do you know what you have done? You have signed Friday." Superstitious people can find a great deal of meaning in the facts that the team has thirteen players, and the last was signed Friday. Anson, however, will not worry. He is delighted to think that he has given people who believe in spooks and omens a chance to gossip and make a new set of predictions. All he wants is a ball team and he does not care when he gets players or how many there are so long as he gets as many as he wants. He would sign a whole team Friday and think it a good day's work. Cliff Carroll is not a new man in the league. He was a good batsman and a great fielder and base-runner. Speaking of his engagement Anson said: "I always liked his ball playing. If I didn't think well of him I wouldn't have signed him. The only thing that was ever against him was his habits. He played great ball for the Providence team. When he went to Washington he opened a saloon there. He has now had a year of farming, is married and apparently steadied down and looks strong and bright. I think he will play just as good ball as he ever did." A telegram was received from President Spalding yesterday saying he had rented the grounds of the Ponce de Leon hotel, St. Augustine, Fla., from Feb. 16 to April 1, and wished Anson to take the players under contract to that point as early as possible. Notices were sent to the players ordering them to report by Jan. 10. Coughlin, who is in San Francisco awaiting orders, was wired to come at once. Anson is not certain that he will remain at St. Augustine until April 1, but thinks he will surely stay there six weeks. The men who will form the team are Kittridge and Nagle, catchers; Sullivan, Coughlin and Hutchinson, pitchers; Anson, first base; Earl, second base; Burns, third base; Garvin, shortstop; Cooney, right fielder; Wilmot, center fielder; Carroll, left fielder; Lauer, catcher and left fielder.

COMMY AND TOMMY.

Comiskey and Loftus Do a Little Talking at Dubuque.

DUBUQUE, Io., Feb. 1—Charley Comiskey, the captain of the Chicago brotherhood nine, is resting for a short time at his home in this city. The Herald correspondent had a few minutes' chat with him to-day, and inquired if he intended to remain in Dubuque until the season opened. "Oh, no," he replied, "I leave about the middle of February with the team for a trip either to Hot Springs, Ark., or St. Augustine, Fla. The New York team will probably go with us, and we will play practice games together. We have three of the best pitchers in the business—Dwyer, probably the best all-around player alive, and King and Mark Baldwin. We will not sign any more players. We have plenty, and some to spare. Do we expect to win the pennant? Yes, with hands down. We've got the strongest aggregation of base ball players ever put together. I have offered to play Tom Loftus and his Cincinnati nine a match game for $5,000 a side, and the Chicago players will put up the dust themselves, but Tom's afraid."

Loftus, who was standing by, winked significantly, but, without noticing the taunt, said: "Have you heard of the big project for next winter? The manager of the Texas & Pacific railroad is now making arrangements to tour the Chicago Players' team and the Cincinnati league club through Texas and down into old Mexico. This is untried territory for the ball player, and I believe there is money in it;" and "Commy" nodded assent.

REFEREED A FATAL FIGHT.

Sporting Editor Murphy Indicted for Murder.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 1.—The grand jury has returned an indictment against Joseph A. Murphy, sporting editor of the Globe-Democrat. Mr. Murphy was the referee for a prize fight that occurred nearly three months ago between two young fellows named Ahearn and Jackson, and which resulted in Jackson being killed. Warrants were issued for all parties to the fight, but they waived examination and the case was sent to the grand jury. True bills were found against all but Murphy. The prosecuting attorney refused to take action and re-submitted the case to the next grand jury, which has now reported. Murphy is nationally famous as a champion sprinter and a sporting authority. He is a son of the city river and harbor commissioner, a wealthy man. Two months ago he was married to Miss Van Pheel, a society belle.

SLUGGING IN THE SOUTH.

Pugilists Show Their Fine Points to Louisianans.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 1.—The Southern Athletic club gave a sparring and wrestling exhibition last evening, in which Muldoon, Raber, Felix Vaqueline, Donovan, Mike Cleary, Andy Bowen, Bezinah, John Duffy and other men well known in sporting circles took part. There were present 2,500 persons, members of the club or invited guests, including quite a number of bankers, merchants and others, showing the popular interest aroused here in pugilism and athletics. Muldoon acted as master of ceremonies and Kilrain as referee in the sparring. The first thing on the programme was a one-round sparring match between Mike Cleary and Vaqulin, the local heavyweight who is to fight Kilrain Sunday. Vaquelin showed up well, being in splendid condition, and won the match easily. Vaquelin and Kilrain will meet Sunday afternoon. Vaquelin will be seconded by Cleary, and Kilrain by Donovan as in the Richburg fight. Kilrain was invited to spar at the Athletic exhibition last night, but would not do so, as he was afraid he might be hurt in some way. He has not trained as much as usual, but looks in splendid condition. Vaquelin is trained thoroughly, and is in the pink of condition. Andy Bowen will fight Charlie Johnson, of Minneapolis, Sunday week, near Alito Springs, St. Tammany parish, so as to avoid any interference from the New Orleans police.

ANOTHER BONSPIEL.

St. Paul Will Send Three Rinks to Winnipeg.

At a meeting last night it was decided to send three rinks to the bonspiel to be held at Winnipeg, commencing Feb. 12. Those composing the first rink are John J. Ahern, James Smith, William W. Lorimer and William Rogers, skip. The second rink is made up of John Knox, John Hinkle, George Nettleton, and Alex McCullough, skip. The third rink is composed of William Myron, Allan Black, James Myron, and John Chisholm, skip. The three rinks will leave for the bonspiel on next Sunday afternoon.

Collegiate Athletic Contests.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 1.—The Athletic Association of the University of Pennsylvania held its third annual winter meeting this evening at the Academy of Music in the presence of a large number of spectators. The programme was not concluded until near midnight. The principal event, the 44-yards dash, was won by J. W. Rutter, colored, of the Philadelphia Y. M. C. A., in 61 seconds; W. H. Warrick, University of Pennsylvania, second. The nine members of the Manhattan Athletic club, of New York, who were entered in this race, did not arrive in time to participate in the trial heats, and, failing in a special trial given them by the referee to equal the time made by other competitors, were practically barred out.

Two Shots at Duryea.

Cincinnati Enquirer.

Duryea is a good pitcher, but the Cincinnati club will try and get along without him. The Northwestern Cyclone will miss James Emporium Keenan next season. Keenan was the best part of Duryea's pitching. Without the vet's coaching he would have been in the consomme last season. Duryea at $4,000 per annum will prove something of a white elephant.

James Cyclone Duryea has escaped us. He will unlimber his once-a-week-arm and play his accordion with the Brooklyn brotherhood club next season. Gone, but not forgotten. The breweries and Over-the-Rhine concert halls will wear crape sacred to his memory. Oh! Cy, how could you do it?

Police Stop a Cocking Main.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 1.—There was to have been a big cocking main here last night, but the police got wind of the affair and prevented it. Sports from Chillicothe, who a few weeks ago dropped over $15,000 on a main between Chillicothe and Cleveland birds, came up here for revenge, and a large amount of money would have changed hands had the fights been allowed to take place. The sports are still hustling about the country and the main may take place to-night.

Worcester's Club Sold.

WORCESTER, Mass., Feb. 1.—All the stock in the Worcester Base Ball association was bought up to-day by J. H. Shoemaker, of Newark, N. J.; William Barnie, of Baltimore, and H. Munson, of New Haven. These gentlemen were elected president, vice president and treasurer, respectively, and W. W. Burnham, of New Haven, was elected clerk. The deal was made by President Braden, and the Worcesters will be kept in the Atlantic association.

Sports Gather at Eau Claire.

Special to the Globe.

EAU CLAIRE, Feb. 1.—To-morrow all the sports in the Northwest will center here to witness the McCormick-Paulsen skating race. Big money is up, and the excitement is increasing. Four hundred people are expected from St. Paul and Minneapolis. The city engineer surveyed the track to-day. Thirty-two laps make ten miles.

Eclipsed.

The Eclipse Bowling club defeated the West St. Paul Bowling club 5,213 to 4,877. George W. Freeman was the captain of the former and Paul Martin of the latter.

PLUNGERS PLUCKED.

Short Horses Capture a Majority of the Plums at Guttenberg.

GUTTENBERG, N. J., Feb. 1.—Plungers on the races here to-day got the worst of it, short horses finishing first in a majority of the events. Results:

First race, seven furlongs—Buckstone won, Stephanie second, Clatter third. Time, 1:37.

Second race, six furlongs—Bias won, Millerton second, Paradise third. Time, 1:22½.

Third race, five furlongs—King Hazem won, Bradford second, Onward third. Time, 1:06¼.

Fourth race, one mile handicap—St. Nick won, Success second, Drumstick third. Time, 1:53½.

Fifth race, one and a sixteenth miles, selling—Grey Cloud won, Vendetta second, Zulu third. Time, 2:01.

Sixth race, seven furlongs, selling—Neptunus won, Arizona second, Souvenir third. Time, 1:38½.

Results at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., Feb. 1.—The races here to-day resulted as follows:

First race, six furlongs, selling—John Morris won; Rosa Pearl, second; Skobeloff, third. Time, 1:20.

Second race, selling, five furlongs—Pete Willis won; Marchburn, second; Col. Cox, third. Time, 1:05.

Third race, eleven-sixteenths of a mile, selling—Barney Lee won; Germania, second; Mattie McHenry, third. Time, 59.

Fourth race, fifteen-sixteenths of a mile, handicap—Harry Ireland won; Antonio, second; Somerset, third. Time, 1:44½.

DIAMOND DASHES.

How players often get their "second wind" is curiously illustrated in the case of Pop Smith, Boston's second baseman. Less than a decade ago he was considered played out and could not secure a paying engagement. He himself evidently thought the same thing, for he at that time had accepted a position in a grocery store in this city. His salary was trivial, and he would not have taken the job had his base ball prospects looked anything but gloomy. Horace Phillips rescued him, and Smith was put in as a member of the Columbus team. His playing there was of such fine description that Pop was one of the stars transferred to Pittsburg in the big 1884 deal. There he maintained his even record, and Boston purchased his release at a cost of $4,000. Next season will find him in his old place with the Bostons, drawing a $3,000 salary.

President Brush, of Indianapolis, has the championship bee buzzing in his bonnet at a lively rate. He feels rather proud over his success in holding his players against all the efforts of the brotherhood to get them away from him, and he will feel that he has been rewarded for his efforts if they now take the pennant.

Pitcher Healy writes from Cairo, Ill., that he will not play with Kansas City in the Western association next season. He also adds that he has offered to return his advance money to Kansas City, but President Speas has not yet answered his letter.

The Comiskey combination left Latham at Denver flat broke, and that despite the fact that he had been advanced more than $700 by the Chicago Players' league club. He stopped over at Denver and telegraphed on to Chicago for another allowance.

Comiskey was the only one of the St. Louis Browns who have jumped to the Players' league who expressed any sorrow over leaving St. Louis. The rest all felt that they and Von der Ahe had squared up all accounts and owed each other nothing.

Secretary Scandrett says the Pittsburg club last season paid Carroll a salary of $2,500; Galvin, $3,000; Maul, $2,000; Fields, $1,800; Kuehne, $2,000 and Dunlap $5,000. These players have all left the club now and joined the Players' league.

The colors asked for by the National League clubs to date are: Chicago and Pittsburg, black; Boston, Cincinnati and Brooklyn, red; Cleveland, blue; New York, maroon, and Philadelphia, cardinal or blue.

W. H. Jordan, who played left field last season for the Dallas, Texas, team, last week accepted terms offered by the Washington club. Ted Sullivan declares that the new man is a second Wilmot.

Harry Schaffer, the old third baseman of the Boston club, has three broken ribs, caused by the breaking of a shoestring, which threw him against the curbstone.

The Western association umpires next season are to wear blue uniforms with brass buttons, and to come upon the field without being thus arrayed is punishable by a fine.

A director of the Worcester club says it has just been discovered that last year's Jersey City club, owned by John B. Day, never put up the $500 guarantee at all.

George Munson's contract with Von der Ahe has still another year to run, and he talks of suing the "boss president" for his salary for the entire term.

Tom Tucker is a left-handed batter. This leads the World to remark: "He also uses his left hand in his favorite pastime of signing contracts.

Kansas City has decided to make an outfielder out of Elmer Smith. Next season he will play in right when not in the box.

Bug Holliday has told President Stern that he isn't touching a drop and goes to church every Sunday morning.

Manager Macullar denies that Con Strothers has been signed by the Des Moines club.

Three hundred young base ballists have applied to the National league for places.

The New York league team will do its spring practicing at Charleston, S. C.

The Chicago league team will go to the Hot Springs about March 1.

Reilly, of Columbus, is coaching the Princeton college team.

The Dartmouth college team is in the hands of Arthur Irwin.

Comiskey will take a couple of teams to Mexico next winter.

Hub Collins has become a Louisville real estate owner.

Old Tom York is hustling for a Hudson river league.

Guy Hecker will manage the Pittsburg league team.

Lip Pike wants to act as umpire of some league.

Rochester paid Columbus $500 for Greenwood.

New Haven made money in base ball last year.

Perry Werden, of Toledo, is a clever wing shot.

Umpire Jack Brennan is ill in Indianapolis.

Burch wants to be a fielder for Omaha.

Jack Crooks is to captain Columbus.

Good Comes of Evil.

Burlington Free Press.

Johnny Dumpsey—Oh, ma! I wish you would make me a pair of home-made trousers every day.

Mrs. Dumpsey (quite gratified)—Why, darling?

Johnny Dumpsey—Because the scholars all laughed at me so to-day that the teacher had to excuse me, and I've had a bully time fishing with Bill Peck.

An opportune friend will be found in Dr. D. Jayne's Expectorant, when racked by a severe cold, and the many lung or throat affections, which sometimes follow. This old remedy has met the approval of two generations, and is to-day as popular, safe and effective as ever.

An indulgent husband, living on North Broad street, adds a string of pearls to his wife's wedding necklace on each anniversary of their marriage.—Sacramento Record-Union.

STAGE SUPERSTITION

Some Fact and Philosophy From the Pen of Gifted Lillian Lewis.

Singular Ideas of Professional People on Luck and Hoodoos.

Lines of Macbeth's Witches and Open Parasols Are Tabooed.

"Diplomacy," Since the Killing of Porter, Believed to Be Fated.

The stage is a little world within a world—distinct and peculiar. The public at large labors under the delusion that it "knows all about it"—well, it doesn't, and is not likely to. There is an esprit de corps—a sort of free-masonry among these people which prompts the stage to keep its domestic secrets, its moving causes, means and results. I have been asked half-sneeringly many times if the theatrical profession was not more inclined to superstitious beliefs than any other profession was. I unhesitatingly answer, "Yes." In the stage life there are a thousand phases and beliefs, which do not appear on the surface, but which exist. Superstition is one which plays a more or less important part. From the great artist of world-wide fame to the humblest property boy or "grip" (scene-shifter), each has his or her own individual superstitions—and plenty of them. Many quaint beliefs are shared in common, however. The "bad luck" certain to ensue immediately from injudiciously walking under a ladder; the number thirteen on dressing room or chamber door, or on a trunk or car; or riding on a train with a corpse in the baggage car, all certain to bring speedy disaster; reciting "Macbeth" lines, especially the ones of the witch cantation, "double, double, toil and trouble, fire burn and cauldron bubble," will "hoodoo" the business and the play. I began my stage career at the Fifth Avenue theater, New York City, with Miss Claxton, playing Julie in "The Two Orphans." After my fortnight's engagement with her I went down to Booth's theater (now torn down) to play a small part in the "Corsican Brothers." Charlie Thorne being "starred." Four ladies and myself were given a large room to dress in the opening night of the play. When I had finished dressing for the big masquerade scene, in the second act, I posed before the big, full-length mirror, when some one—I don't know who—began to spout, "double-double toil and—" she got no further; such a storm of "Oh, my, don't! Sh! sh! Don't you do that; you'll 'hoodoo' the play; besides Thorne is sick!" I stopped in blank amazement at their clatter; in this way I got my introduction to "stage superstitions." Thorne played two nights; the house was closed for a night till some one was found to "go on" for the part. Thorne died a little later.

The peep-hole of the curtain is like death, it "levels all ranks." Everyone from the prima donna to the chorus girl takes a "speer" through it at the "house." Except those who believe that looking at the audience through the peep-hole "kills" the house, that is, makes the house small in number. There are thousands of professional people who could not be argued out of the belief that the open parasol, the leading lady of the "Mankind Company" brought boldly on the stage in New York City the opening night is responsible for the closing of the company and the retirement of the play. I wouldn't allow an open umbrella or parasol to be used in any play of mine, if I had authority to stop it.

A female "dead-head" is another well known "hoodoo," if she is allowed to be the first one in the house. The possession of peacock feathers is generally avoided by the stage folk. Carrying horse chestnuts is commonly believed to ward off sickness and bad luck. Crossing the street between the carriages of a funeral procession is specially undesirable. After Montague's death in California, while playing in "Diplomacy," and the shooting of Ben Porter in Texas, while playing a part in the same play actors looked askance at an engagement for the piece. An actor, an old man, too, in New York, had had a part offered him in the play at a good salary. He said to me, "I wouldn't accept the salary or the part. I'm afraid of the play. It's unlucky and doomed to bring death to some one in the company. I'll take good care that it is not I."

Madame Modjeska is credited with being so superstitious that before she goes on for each scene she pauses and crosses herself, or says her "prayers," as it were. Most professional people (theatrical) have a piece of money as a jewel or an ornament which they wear or carry as an amulet or fetich—all to keep off ill and misfortune—and why not? Why should not a man who has a hundred lives—each one different in thought, feeling, purpose—a man who has the power of representing at will nature in all her vagaries, following in his own person the vicissitudes, fortunes, hopes and fears of another—why should he not, if he wishes, shake off the petty trammels of a narrow work-a-day world which says in its small way, "superstition is unholy, wrong, fit only for madmen and fools," and let his mind soar away into realms of speculation and pin his faith to a superstition if he cares to. certain it is he has the endorsement of antiquity. The people who, with the sphinx and pyramids which have defied the ravages of time and modern investigation and solution of their "how" and "why?"—were at the same time the most enlightened of people then inhabiting the earth, but were also the most superstitious.

The common superstition about good or ill resulting from looking at the new moon over the right or left shoulder, is older than the Christian religion. It had its first birthday thousands of years ago in old Egypt; it is old enough to talk and speak in good American English to-day. I do not believe that all people could be superstitious, even if they wished to be; a little leaven of soul is necessary. I once heard Henry Ward Beecher, say from his pulpit in Plymouth church, this: "I do not indorse all that the Revolutionists claim, though I'm strongly inclined to, but I do give this as my own private opinion—there are men and women who let their lowest and animal natures supercede their higher intellectual and spiritual natures that when they come to die the flesh reaps corruption—after death, nothing—annihilation!" People of this sort superstition could find no lodging place in. To be intelligently superstitious you must possess some power to probe, or attempt to probe, the possibilities, of not only the seen, but the unseen, existence. To have at least a little of the divinity which creates a desire to know and feel a something outside of our own souls—better spiritually and intellectually than we are. This impulse of the soul and will—who can better possess it than the man or woman, the actor or actress, whose whole life is spent either consciously in speculative, psychometric study and mimicry. These superstitions, though trivial in themselves, have a deep significance to the student who seeks an insight into the searchings and the yearnings of the human mind. They may be the outgrowth of what we to-day in the light of much science call the "dark ages," but there is something in them, consequently they retain their hold on both the vulgar and the enlightened. They are only a mental result of the certainties of life as compared with the uncertainties of after life. The speculation of what is, how it came to be, and of what may be, how it will arrive—in short, a supernatural accounting for what seems to have no reason for being.

LILLIAN LEWIS.

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There will be crowds at the Olympic this week. Rose Hill's English Folly company will be the attraction. Manager Wells thinks this is one of the best attractions the Olympic has ever booked. The programme will contain brilliant marches and handsome gavottes given by a troupe of beautiful ladies, gathered at great expense from all parts of the globe. Positively at every preformance will be produced the comical spectacular operatic burlesque entitled "Parisian Revels, or Cupid's Capers," introducing a bewildering exhibition of female loveliness in the shapely form of live statuary.

A NOVEL SCHEME.

Street Indicators, Illuminated by Night, for Every Three Blocks.

A trio of Bostonians, now staying at the Ryan hotel in this city, have a somewhat novel scheme to spring on a confiding public. The principal mover in it is Francis C. Burrelle—not a Bostonian by the way, but a Frenchman—and to this gentlemen is due the credit of introducing the idea, which is becoming quite a recognized institution of the Hub. The intention is for the formation of a limited company, to be known as the St. Paul & Minneapolis Street Indicator company, provided the requisite permission for the carrying on of the business can be obtained from the city authorities. The business of an indicator company, as described by the projectors, is the establishment at intervals of four-faced glass colored indicators, supported by bronze columns. In each of the four faces is a short description of a certain section, say three blocks of the street. Then another indicator will take up the story, and so on all over the city. The charts show the numbers of the stores, the names of the occupants, and the character of the business carried on. Each of the charts will lead or with a list of the city officers; then will come physicians, druggists, dentists, and accouchers; then will come the postoffice, police stations, fire stations, cab stands and hospitals; following these will come the charts of the streets as described above. At night all the indicators will be illuminated after the manner of street lamps, so that much valuable information may be gained from the placing of one of these every three blocks about the city. M. Burrelle says that the idea is not an original one with him. The indicator system is general in Paris, the first one having been placed on the Boulevard Magenta, in the vicinity of the Northern railway terminus, and since that time the system has spread in the hands of several companies all over the metropolis and suburbs. The gentlemen proposing to establish the system here simply ask permission to use the streets for the erection of the bronze pillars to support their indicators. The income of the company is to be derived solely from the advertising to be displayed on the indicators. The plan is proving a success in Boston, and will doubtless be a paying venture in the Twin Cities. The gentlemen associated with Mr. Burrelle in his effort to introduce his novel scheme here are Messrs. Sidney Stevens and James Collom, the latter having been connected with the management of the Boston system of indicators since its introduction. He will probably be made manager of the St. Paul system, if an organization is formed.

A Stay for Tall.

In the case of J. B. Tall, found guilty of forgery in the second degree—it being one of the noted real estate fraud cases—a stay of sentence for twenty days was granted in which to prepare a record of the trial, with a view of making a motion for a new trial. Tall signed a stipulation waiving any exception to deferring sentence to a time after the end of the term of court at which he was tried.

A POLICE EXHIBIT.

An Array of Facts Gleaned From Chief Clark's Report.

The reports of city officials for 1889 are beginning to pour in upon Mayor Smith. Chief of Police Clark sent his in last night. It shows he has a total force of 169 men and officers, 120 active patrolmen and 10 mounted men. The chief recites the urgent need of fifty more "coppers" and the imperative demand for a new building for police headquarters. "The present cells at headquarters are unfit to confine a human being in, and are a disgrace to the city," says the chief. What he asks for is a place where females and boys can be kept separate, and where there can be a dormitory for a reserve force of policemen in cases of emergency. The pay roll of the department was $169,315.06. From fines and licenses, $455,312.75 was received, $385,000 of which was from liquor licenses. There were 7,098 arrests, of which 1,487 were for state offenses, and 6,611 for city offenses. The principal nationalities were: United States, white, 3,577; United States, colored, 206; Sweden, 799; Norway, 160; Ireland, 716; Germany, 774. There were, during the year, 208 accidents; 20 abandoned children; 1,168 doors and windows found open and reported by patrolmen; 41 insane taken up; 289 lost children picked up and returned to parents; 10,356 miles traveled by the four patrol wagons; 234 nuisances reported; 255 runaways stopped; $11,285 worth of property stolen; $7,430 worth of stolen property recovered; 238 sick and injured cared for; 687 stray horses and teams cared for, and $5,055 lodgers were accommodated.

MR. BICKEL'S OFFER.

Will He Be Made Cashier of the German-American Bank?

There was a rumor afloat yesterday to the effect that William Bickel, cashier of the Germania bank, had been offered the same position in the German-American bank, which was recently vacated by Mr. Lockey's promotion to the presidency. Whether there is any foundation for the report or not, it can be safely stated that Mr. Bickel is not likely to leave the important financial institution which he founded, and of which he has been the master-spirit and principal manager for the last six years. Very few banks have shown such remarkable growth in so short a time as the Germania. Its magnificent new brownstone building, soon ready for occupancy, is a splendid monument to its merited prosperity.

A Little Hotel Racket.

There was a lively little racket at the Merchants' hotel last evening. P. H. Nelson, of Montana, a bartender, had some words with Gus Rohleder, a Merchants' employe, over meal tickets. This was at the dining-room entrance. P. H. went down stairs for his brother, Martin Nelson, a clerk, also from Montana, and together they returned and got into a fight with Rohleder, during which P. H. Nelson drew a revolver. He was prevented from using the weapon. Officer Call was brought in and arrested the three combatants. Each put up $25 bail at central station for appearance on Monday morning for trial.

The Twilight Club.

The fifth regular meeting and dinner of the Twilight club was held last evening at the Ryan hotel, E. J. Hodgson presiding, who proposed as the subject for discussion, "Is Our Civilization Progressive and Elevating." The discussion was entered into with spirit, the following gentlemen participating: Hon. C. D. O'Brien, Maj. Bates, C. E. Rittenhouse, H. S. Fairchild, H. C. James, H. H. Hart, Rev. W. H. Butcrick, Prof. Carman, Eugene Hendrickson, W. P. Lock, Dr. Riggs, H. A. Robinson, Maj. Newson, Capt. George H. Moffett, Capt. Castle, Channing Seabury, C. A. Severance, George L. Farwell, A. H. Lament, M. D. Munn, Rev. S. S. Smith. Hon. Albert Scheffer was named as the next presiding officer at the meeting to be held at the Hotel Ryan two weeks hence.

Seibert's Concerts.

The other semi-monthly concert of the Seibert series will be given this afternoon at the Turner hall on Franklin street. The usual large patronage will without doubt mark the occasion. The programme is as follows:

PART I.

March—"Louisen,"..... Chr. Rodenkirchen
Overture—"Rakoczy,"..... Keler-Bela
Cello Solo { (a) Andante Expressivo / (b) Etude ..... } —Goltermann
Prof. L. Milch.

PART II.

Male Chorus—"Ave Maria"..... Abt
Concordia Singing Society; Prof. L. W. Harmsen, director.
Euphonium Solo—"Fantaisie"..... Parlow
Prof. C. M. Selling.
{ (a) Reverie—(Traeumerei..... Schumann / (a) The Celebrated Minuett..... Bocherini

PART III.

Male Chorus—"Der Wald"..... Hasser
Concordia.
Idyl—"A Morning Song"..... Eilenberg
Grand selection from ballet "Excelsior" —Morenco.

A Tree for a House.

Portland Oregonian.

Near Healdsberg, Cal., in a large high redwood tree, a family, consisting of a man, his wife and three children, have taken up their residence. A few days ago a hunter was attracted to the spot by the sound of voices, and, approaching, he found the family. To close the opening in the tree a rude door had been constructed of deer skins. Inside the tree benches and tables had been constructed of redwood bark, fastened together by wooden pins. The head of the family stated that he came from Oregon last fall, and not being able to pay rent for a house, had moved his family into this living home. He had thus far made a living by odd jobs on farms near by, being careful never to state where his home was. The boy was dressed in a suit of coon skins. The mother bore the appearance of a once beautiful woman, and her speech showed that she had been well educated. They were all very reticent about their former life and how they had been reduced to such straits. They expect to spend the winter in this sylvan home.

A Fortune Just Missed.

Pittsburg Dispatch.

Quincy Robison related an incident of the early history of the oil regions recently which may give the children of the present generation a vague idea of the magnitude of the transactions which took place when oil was $8 and $9 a barrel, and poor people gained a competency by scooping it off the surface of creeks or gathered it from pools around the tanks which had overflowed. The story as told by Mr. Robison was as follows:

"Within a month after Col. Drake had struck the first petroleum ever brought to the surface in America by means of drilling, my father and the father of my relatives here bought a tract of land, comprising 1,280 acres, adjoining the farm on which the Drake well was located, for $350,000. Not long afterwards I was sitting in their office one day—I remember it as distinctly as though it happened only yesterday—when an agent for an Eastern syndicate walked in and offered $500,000 for the 1,280 acres. The owners looked at him incredulously for a moment, but before they could speak he had counted out on the table $500,000 in cash and drafts which he offered for a deed of the tract. I was appalled by the sight of the pile, but my father and the father of these gentlemen retired for consultation, and decided that if the property was worth $500,000 it was worth $1,000,000, and the offer was refused. Their heirs still own the land, and now it is valued at about $20,000. Where they could have got dollars, we could scarcely get nickels. Thus you can see what seemingly fairy stories could be told of those days. They are almost incomprehensible to the present generation, but they were red-hot facts." And a sigh of regret that the offer had not been accepted went around the circle.

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