# THAT AVERAGE PRIZE

ROVES THE GOLDEN APPLE OF DISCORD IN ONCE MERRY CURLERS' RANKS.

## RIGGS CLAIMS THE MEDAL

N THE GROUND THAT HIS RINK PLAYED THE GREATEST NUMBER OF GAMES.

ONSPIEL TO FINISH TONIGHT.

Is Believed That All of the Events Will Have Been Closed This Evening.

Considerable feeling of an unpleasant rt has been stirred up in the ranks the Northwestern Curling association the contest for the general average dze, which on the face of the scores em to stand a tie between J. McDiarmid's rink, representing the Granite lub, of Winnipeg, and O. W. Robertson's rink, from Milwaukee. But C. M. Griggs, of the St. Paul club, claims that e is entitled to the prize. The scores n the contests in the first three events, which are the basis of the general verage award, are as follows:

| | 1st. | 2d. | 3d. | T'tl. |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| McDiarmid— | | | | |
| Victories | 1 | 3 | 5 | 9 |
| Defeats | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 |
| Robertson— | | | | |
| Victories | 5 | 2 | 2 | 9 |
| Defeats | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Griggs— | | | | |
| Victories | 3 | 2 | 4 | 9 |
| Defeats | 1 | 1 | 1 | 3 |

The following are a part of the general rules governing the various contests made by the Northwestern association, the "general average rule" being one made by C. M. Griggs himself, over his own signature, and now in the possession of Assistant Secretary Shand:

If any of the competing rinks are not ready to play at the time fixed for the match, one end shall be counted as played for every ten minutes' delay, and the opposing rink shall count one point for each such period of time. The conditions of this rule are arbitrary and cannot be waived either by the opposing skips or by the officers of the association.

In the event of any disagreement between skips during a match, the decision of the umpire shall be final.

All play shall be governed by the rules of the Northwestern Curling association.

GENERAL AVERAGE PRIZE.

To the rink making the best average of games won in events 1, 2 and 3 will be awarded a grand average medal, presented to the association by J. F. Smith, of St. Paul, accompanied by four lapel buttons. The medal will be held for one year only, and will then revert to the association.

On the opening day of the bonspiel a bulletin was placed on the board in the secretary's office, which said:

"The rink winning the most number of games and playing the most number of games will be the basis for the final figures in the general average contest. Forfeits not to be counted."

This was the story of one of the ice committee at the Windsor hotel, told a Globe reporter last night, in defense of Griggs' claim.

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The difference arises out of the two interpretations of the rule. Griggs' claim is that the rink which plays the greatest number of games, that is, the one which stays longest, taking the three series into consideration, should get the trophy. The other side claim that the rule intends the calculation of the games won to games played on a percentage basis, the same as averages are figured in base ball and other sports.

Skip McDiarmid said last night that, as far as his rink was concerned, if the contest was between them and Griggs, they would forfeit to Griggs. They do not concede, however, the justice of his interpretation of the rule.

The settlement of the dispute will be taken up by the executive committee today, and the outcome of the committee meeting will be awaited with no little interest, as it is St. Paul's only chance to get anything out of the first three events.

The drawing for places for 9 a. m. today resulted as follows:

Rink 1—International—A. H. Smith, Duluth, vs. H. W. Cory, St. Paul.

Rink 2—Johnson—A. E McCall, Cambria, vs. Dr. S. O. Arnold, St. Paul.

Rink 3—McCarthy vs. Griggs. Griggs will forfeit.

Rink 4—Wells, Portage, vs. Stout, Waupaca. For Johnson trophy.

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The following table shows the standing of the various players in the point contest, H. Sanderson, of Portage, leading, with a score of 38:

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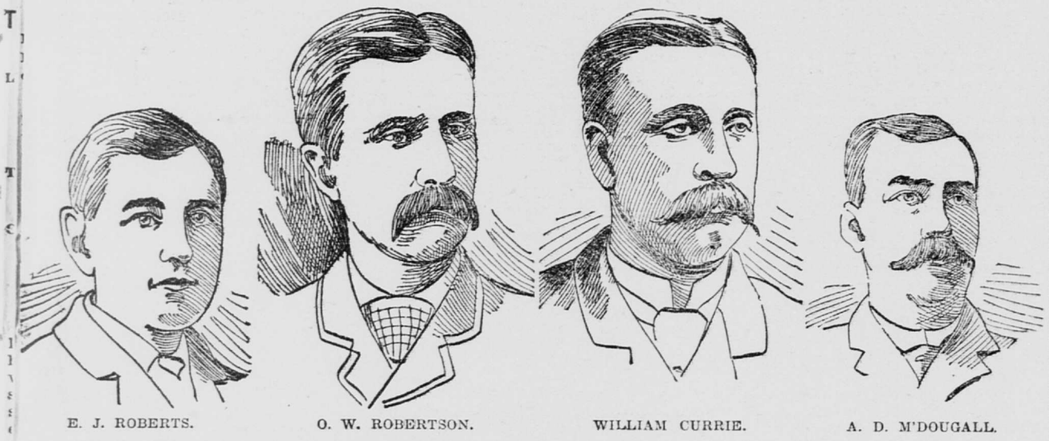
| H. Sanderson, Portage | 38 |
| J. H. Turnbull, Winnipeg | 34 |
| J. McDiarmid, Winnipeg | 32 |
| M. Macklin, Killarney | 31 |
| A. McCulloch, St. Paul | 31 |
| F. J. Maas, Portage | 30 |
| C. R. Hoffman, Waupaca | 29 |
| T. J. Wells, Portage | 29 |
| W. S. Winsor, Mauston | 28 |
| J. H. Skinner, Mauston | 28 |
| J. McNamara, St. Paul | 28 |
| J. H. Riheldaffer, St. Paul | 27 |
| D. R. Bruce, Holland | 27 |
| E. S. Wetherby, Mauston | 26 |
| J. McRae, Duluth | 26 |
| A. McConachie, Neepawa | 26 |
| Dr. S. O. Arnold, St. Paul | 26 |
| S. F. Fullerton, St. Paul | 26 |
| J. E. McCaffrey, St. Paul | 25 |
| H. W. Williams, Waupaca | 25 |
| J. K. Robson, Holland | 25 |
| L. Defiel, St. Paul | 25 |
| O. C. Sturgeon, Minneapolis | 24 |
| Dr. Lattimer, Baraboo | 24 |
| James McDonald, Neepawa | 24 |
| D. Colquhoun, Minneapolis | 24 |
| A. H. Smith, Duluth | 24 |
| G. W. Murray, Winnipeg | 24 |
| F. McCarthy, St. Paul | 23 |
| W. A. Van Wie, Mauston | 23 |
| I. Pitblado, Winnipeg | 23 |
| J. Woodworth, Waupaca | 22 |
| W. R. Stephenson, St. Paul | 22 |
| F. L. Patton, Winnipeg | 21 |
| E. W. Kibbe, Chicago | 21 |
| S. S. Chandler, Waupaca | 21 |
| J. M. Frazer, Pilot Mound | 21 |
| H. Adams, Winnipeg | 20 |
| J. Houska, St. Paul | 20 |
| G. S. Deeks, St. Paul | 20 |
| C. A. Hamilton, Winnipeg | 19 |
| A. W. Hollenbeck, Waupaca | 19 |
| W. F. Fraser, St. Paul | 18 |
| N. P. Langford Jr., St. Paul | 18 |
| D. W. Stocking, Duluth | 18 |
| Charles McMillan, Duluth | 18 |
| J. McLeod, Minneapolis | 18 |
| W. F. Payne, Winnipeg | 17 |
| M. Richmond, Chicago | 17 |
| George Dalrymple, Waupaca | 16 |
| J. F. Ross, St. Paul | 16 |
| D. McMillan, St. Paul | 14 |
| D. Scott, St. Paul | 11 |
| T. A. Adamson, Winnipeg | 11 |
| J. Hennessey, St. Paul | 8 |
| C. P. Wilson, Assiniboine | 5 |

It was inadvertently stated in the caption and summary of the Consolation prize contest in yesterday's Globe that Dr. Schnaar's rink from Rat Portage won the first place. The table, and scores, however, showed, as was the truth, that F. Knight's rink from Brandon was the victor. It consists of F. Knight, skip; J. C. Knight, W. A. Lang and G. H. Smith.

THE MILWAUKEE RINK.

Winners of the Jobbers' Union Trophy.



E. J. ROBERTS. O. W. ROBERTSON. WILLIAM CURRIE. A. D. M'DOUGALL.

### MILWAUKEE WAS PLEASED.

**The Town Excited Over Robertson's Victory.**

Milwaukee was tickled to the point of having another "schooner" over the victory of Robertson's splendid rink. The Sentinel of Sunday says:

"Milwaukee curlers were highly elated yesterday over the victory of O. W. Robertson and his rink at St. Paul, where the Milwaukeeans won the $500 tankard offered by the St. Paul Jobbers' union, the most valuable trophy in the gift of the Northwestern Curling association. A few days ago Mr. Robertson wrote from St. Paul that Manitoba was not the 'whole thing' this time, his rink having put out four Canadian rinks up to that time. In the former years the Canadian curlers have been almost invincible, their facilities for practice being so much superior to those employed by local devotees of the 'roarin' game,' but this year they were put out of everything with the exception of the Consolation trophy and Duluth Jobbers'.

"In only three matches out of the eleven in which the Milwaukee rink participated last week was it unsuccessful, being defeated by Kibbe, of Chicago, for the Pfister trophy; by Patton, of Assinaboine, for the Duluth Jobbers', and by Wells, of Portage, for the John Johnson trophy. On the other hand, the Milwaukeeans beat McMillan, of St. Paul; Kibbe, of Chicago; Griggs, of St. Paul; Duncan, of Duluth; Stout, of Waupaca; Macklin, of Killarney; McKay, of Manitoba, and Drewry, of Rat Portage, McMillan, Kibbe, Stout, Macklin, McKay and Drewry being the most redoubtable skips in the Northwest, and the long line of victories resulting in possession of the coveted St. Paul Jobbers' union trophy, is cause for self-congratulation on the part of the Milwaukee wielders of stane and besom, the record in detail being as follows:

St. Paul Jobbers'—

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|---|---|---|---|
| Robertson | 17 | McMillan, St. Paul | 10 |
| Robertson | 14 | Kibbe, Chicago | 9 |
| Robertson | 20 | Griggs, St. Paul | 8 |
| Robertson | 15 | Duncan, Duluth | 12 |
| Robertson | 11 | Stout, Waupaca | 8 |

Americans vs. Canadians—

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|---|---|---|---|
| Robertson | 11 | Macklin, Killarney | 10 |

Pfister Trophy—

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|---|---|---|---|
| Robertson | 17 | McKay, Manitoba | 13 |
| Robertson | 12 | Kibbe, Chicago | 14 |

Duluth Jobbers'—

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Robertson | 23 | Drewry, Rat P't'ge | 7 |
| Robertson | 10 | Patton, Assinaboine | 13 |

Johnson Trophy—

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|---|---|---|---|
| Robertson | 15 | Wells, Portage | 16 |

"In a letter addressed to John Johnson, O. W. Robertson, the skip of the victorious Milwaukee rink of which William Currie, A. D. McDougall and E. J. Roberts are members, writes that bonspiels in the future must be simplified, as they are beyond the physical endurance of ordinary men. When it becomes necessary for the participants in a bonspiel to be on the ice from 9 o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock in the evening, and go on again at 8 o'clock and play until 11 o'clock, the strain on their mental and physical resources is too severe. John Johnson has repeatedly argued for the shortening of the spiels, but no official action has yet been taken in that direction by the Northwestern Curling association. Charles Dingwall said yesterday that the bonspiels prostrated men not endowed with powerful physiques, and thought three days was ample time in which to test the skill of competing rinks instead of stringing the trials over a period of a week or ten days."

### SUNDAY WITH THE CURLERS.

"Billy" Forsythe, of Portage la Prairie, is the greatest "kid curler" on the ice. He is down from the Northwest, and is acting as chaperon to the players of the Portage rink. He is, according to Judge Cory, very severe in his espionage. No dissipation goes, even in eating, when he is around. The artistic manner in which he played lead for Black on Saturday in the Veterans' match showed him to be an all-round curler.

Skip McDiarmid, of Winnipeg, said yesterday he was glad to notice that the Americans were learning the game. He noticed, he said, a very marked improvement in their play, now different entirely from a few years ago.

George F. Hall and I. Pitblado had a spirited colloquy Saturday night just before the start of the finals in the contest for the Duluth Jobbers' Association trophy. Griggs pleaded for time, and Pitblado, of the McDiarmid rink, said they would forfeit rather than wait over, as MacDonald and himself had telegrams requesting their presence home as soon as possible. Hall said he would not play, and Barlow could not play, and that the Griggs rink wouldn't play anyhow. Pitblado had been discussing the subject with Griggs when they were interrupted by Hall, who asked Pitblado if he thought the locals were fools. Pitblado retorted that Hall was playing the baby act. Griggs, who had played four hard games during the day, asked for mercy, but Mr. Pitblado, of the McDiarmid rink, who had only played one in twenty-four hours, said it was no fault of theirs that Mr. Griggs had to work so hard. The McDiarmid rink, he said, were all through excepting to wait to play the Duluth finals, and they had, he said, been waiting all day for that. It was not, he said, the fault of himself or the McDiarmid rink if Griggs or his rink were tired, or some of its members "sick." Griggs and Pitblado finally agreed to refer the matter to the ice committee, who decided the question in about two minutes. Lam Defiel was allowed Griggs in place of Hall, and F. McNamara substituted for Barlow.

The discussion over the award over the "general average" prize was airy, hot and warm yesterday and last night in the corridors of both the Windsor and Metropolitan hotels.

The members of the R. C. C. C. say the smoking concert at St. Paul was a great success, and the lead of the St. Paul Curling club in this respect will be followed at future events of the R. C. C. C.

Judge Kerr, of Minneapolis, was a warm and enthusiastic spectator of the veterans' contest on Saturday, and lost no opportunity to "holler" for his townsmen.

The Mapleton rink took home with them the first set of "stanes," which will be substituted for the wooden blocks which they have been using for the past thirty years. Mr. McQueen, who is 73, says he will throw the first "stane" or die—after they get home.

As a result of the present bonspiel, a second club for St. Paul will certainly be located on St. Anthony hill and a third club on Dayton's bluff.

W. F. Payne, of Winnipeg, was voted the prize for the "handsomest man" on the ice, which is very complimentary to the newspaper fraternity, to which Mr. Payne belongs, being managing editor of the Manitoba Free Press.

The victory of McCall in winning the Pfister trophy is a very popular one. He is a good fellow, and everybody likes "Asa."

MacDiarmid's rink are all "teetotalers," and this may account for their uniformly good playing.

Jenning C. Wall, of Milwaukee, could not come to the bonspiel, but he did the best he could, and sent President Robertson the following telegram after the victory of the Americans against the Canadians in the international contest:

O. W. Robertson, care of St. Paul Curling Club, St. Paul, Minn.: Hurrah for die Americaner. Wir alle gratulieren. Nisonderheit Deinen mannen uminer vorwarts zum lieg.

—J. C. Wall.

The following rinks, or part of them, left for home yesterday and last night: O. W. Robertson, Milwaukee; James McDiarmid and Pitblado, of the Granite; W. F. Payne, of the Thistle, Winnipeg; James McDonald's rink, of Neepewa; T. J. Cooper, M. Grassie, George Drewry and Dr. Schnaar, of Portage la Prairie; W. H. Winsor and rink, of Mauston.

T. J. Wells and T. J. Maas, of the Portage rink, intend spending several days in St. Paul after the close of the bonspiel. They are quartered at the Metropolitan hotel and hope to win some victories today.

H. Sanderson, of the Portage, Wis., rink, has up to date the highest score in the point contest, 38, and looks like a winner.

Knight and his Brandon, Man., rink left for home last night.

### Does Not Like Corbett.

The Kansas City Times says:

No one can blame Fitzsimmons for taking the same advantage of Corbett that the latter took of him when the present champion was trying to induce the Californian to give him a battle, and yet that is not a good excuse for the holder of two championships to refuse to fight again. Of course it is tantalizing to Corbett to have Fitzsimmons dictate and say that he must whip Maher or some other heavyweight before he can meet the champion in the ring, and no one enjoys it more than the man from New Zealand. Fitzsimmons is not as foolish as some of his maligners would have the public believe. He has said that a match well made is a battle half won, and if he can aggravate "Jim the Penman" only for a few months longer, he will have him so demented that Jimmy Barry could whip him.

It is no wonder that Brady has implored Corbett to desist from his incessant talking, as the Californian got into hot water surely enough when he started the story derogatory to George Siler on its rounds. There is no man more popular with the sporting public than Siler, who is known to be one of the fairest referees of the boxing game in this country. The sporting writers in nearly every city in the Union took up the gauntlet for Siler, and Corbett found that he had stirred up a veritable hornets' nest. Jim likes newspaper notoriety, but he does not relish the hot shot when it is poured into him from all sides, and Brady has helped him out of an embarrassing predicament by making the announcement that Jim will not talk any more.

Parson Davies thinks that somebody has been hitting the pipe pretty hard to dream that he was in New Orleans for the purpose of arranging to pull off the Corbett-Fitzsimmons and other big contests in that city. The Parson says: "Dan Stuart has made the bringing of these gladiators together his life mission, and I haven't the remotest desire to interfere with him. I did have hopes of getting on a match between Joe Choynski and McCoy, but it seems that the Indiana man scented danger and has taken on Goff, a virtually unknown man, to stand between him and possible harm for four months. I think the public is pretty thoroughly convinced that the Kid wants none of Joe's game. The fact that he has picked Goff out of the scrap pile is evidence sufficient on that point."

### How to Raise Sunken Vessels.

Sunken vessels can be easily raised from the bottom of the ocean by means of a new device of flexible bags inserted in the vessel and filled with air through pipes attached to an air pump on the deck of the wrecking boat.

## The Prizes and Where They Go.

St. Paul Jobbers' Union Trophy—O. W. Robertson, Milwaukee.

Second Prize—four gold medals—F. Stout, Waupaca.

Third Prize—four gold scarf-pins—C. A. Duncan, Duluth.

Fourth Prize—four silver scarf-pins—M. H. Mould, Baraboo.

Charles F. Pfister Trophy—A. E. McCall, Cambria.

Second Prize—four gold medals—E. G. Marriott, Baraboo.

Third Prize—four gold scarf-pins—S. S. Chandler, Waupaca.

Fourth Prize—four silver scarf-pins—E. W. Kibbe, Chicago.

Duluth Jobbers' Union Trophy—J. McDiarmid, Winnipeg.

Second Prize—four gold medals—C. M. Griggs, St. Paul.

Third Prize—four gold scarf-pins—Robert McKay, Pilot Mound.

Fourth Prize—four silver scarf-pins—F. Stout, Waupaca.

Consolation—four pairs stones—F. Knight, Baraboo.

Veterans'—four Tam O'Shanters—A. Black, Winnipeg.

*Grand Average Medal—tie { O. W. Robertson, Milwaukee. / J. McDiarmid, Winnipeg.

*Each won nine games and lost three in the three leading events.

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# GLAD HAND TO PROFS

VOTE OF THE CENTURY ROAD CLUB IS ALMOST UNANIMOUS.

## PROFESSIONALS WELCOME.

ONLY FIVE OF THE NATIONAL BOARD VOTE AGAINST THEIR ADMISSION.

WILL BE IN SEPARATE CLASS

As Regards Competition in Road Records—Work of the Board.

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—The Century Road Club of America has extended the hand of fellowship to professionals. The vote on the question of admitting professionals to membership was ordered some time ago by the executive committee of the organization, and the ballot was taken by the committee on legislation. The vote, which was by the national board, composed of stae centurions and chairmen of committees, was completed on the 18th, and the committee met at the Great Northern hotel today and counted the vote. It was found that out of a total vote of sixty-nine cast, sixty-four were in favor of the amendment.

Every member of the committee, composed of W. L. Keirtenstein, chairman; Walter Faraday, of Wilmette; A. L. Mace, of St. Paul, was present. G. A. Foss, chairman of the membership committee, and S. G. Andrus, national secretary, met with the committee. After the completion of the vote, the committee considered numerous important amendments which have been proposed by members of the club from all sections of the country. One of the most important of these is an amendment giving the state divisions a portion of the revenues of the club, to be used in the extension of division work. The professional amendment which carried was originally proposed by A. O. McGarrett, chairman of the road record committee. For the purposes of competition, professionals will be placed by the executive committee in a separate class.

### CORBETT AND FITZ TO FIGHT.

**Close Friend of Dan Stuart Claims the Men Have Signed.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 23.—A special telegram to the Chronicle from New York says: A close friend of Dan Stuart said last night: "Corbett and Fitzsimmons will fight in July at Carson City. This is a certainty. I have it straight, and you can depend on what I say as you can on the gospel. Stuart got Brady's and Corbett's signatures before he went West. At St. Paul he secured those of Julian and of Fitzsimmons.

"All this talk and bluffing is simply to advertise the two men. When the time comes they will sign publicly, after two or three failures just to keep up the farce. The purse has not been named, but it will be the largest ever fought for."

### NOTES OF THE WHEEL.

**What Some of the Professsionals Are Doing.**

Jay Eaton, the indoor king, has issued the following challenge: I am ready to ride against any bicyclist in the world. I will put up $500 and whoever accepts can put up another $500. Then I understand the indoor Cycling clubs are willing to add any amount to this main stake that will prove satisfactory to both parties. My challenge includes all the world's champions. I am willing to meet Lehr, Sanger, Cooper, Bald, Taylore, Michael or any of them on these terms.

Protin, the foreign professional, took part in 100 races last season, earning $10,000.

Clinton Coulter expresses a willingness to meet A. C. Mertens in an unpaced race, from a quarter to two miles.

England's bicycle export trade is diminishing as fast as America's is increasing. A sample week during the winter season shows English exports to the value of £12,652, as against £51,835 for the corresponding week of the year before. This is a loss of 60 per cent. At the same rate, where will England's trade be a year from now?

John West, who is training Lehr and Kaser in Florida, is willing to match Kaser and Arthur Gardiner against any tandem team in the world. It is probable that Gougeltz and Lamberjack, the French team which won the international race, will take up the challenge, and as the pair are to go south on Monday there is every chance for a match being made for the opening meet at Belleair.

### CHANGES IN SCORING.

**Chief Difference in New Western Football Rules.**

The revised football rules for the Western colleges are out.

The alterations are not so sweeping as was generally expected, the most important being that changing the present system of scoring. A goal after touchdown will hereafter count but one additional point; goal from drop kick will count four; from place kick, three, and a safety two. Distance penalties are imposed for roughness, and the side scored on may have choice of kick-off.

Other changes suggested are in defining the safety, allowing fifteen yards instead of ten on the kick-out after a kick for goal on the first down, permitting only two minutes of time taken out for injuries, and modifying the penalty impositions when the ball is close to the goal line. The committee reserves several suggestions on duty of officials, which will be submitted if the committee is continued.

### DAVIDSON WON IT.

**Andrews, However Stopped Skating While in the Lead.**

Fully 4,000 people availed themselves of the pleasant weather of yesterday to enjoy the skating facilities offered at Lake Como. The ice was in good condition, and as an extra attraction there was an exhibition of fancy skating by Miss Fanny Davidson and John F. Davidson. Both experts executed a number of intricate figures, singly and together, which greatly pleased the spectators. Another feature was a one-mile race between John Davidson and J. P. Andrews, of Stillwater, which was won by Davidson. Andrews stopped at he end of the third lap, under the impression that he had completed the mile with making three laps, when the track is four laps to the mile.

Arrangements for a series of races between John Davidson and John S. Johnson, of Minneapolis, which have been pending several weeks, are said to have been practically completed yesterday. There will be three races, each for one mile, one to be skatd in St. Paul, one in Minneapolis, and the third in Stillwater. The stake is $100 a side and a side bet of $50.

### GOSSIP OF THE DIAMOND.

**Will Comiskey Get Some Cast-Off From Cincinnati?**

It is hinted in certain circles that the St. Paul team has a claim against the Cincinnati club for one outfielder. It is understood that when McBride was sold to the Reds it was part of the agreement to furnish Comiskey with an outfielder. Capt. Ewing says that he has heard nothing of this matter. "It may be that Comiskey gets one of our men in the spring, but I have no knowledge of it. We have several men that we do not expect to keep and who won't bring a price on the market. He may be given one of these."

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The Kansas City Star says Pittsburg and Kansas City have formed a combination by which all the surplus players in the Pittsburg team will go to Kansas City. Catcher Merritt has been sold to Kansas City, which also expects to get two infielders, an outfielder and a pitcher from Pittsburg. Manning, of Kansas City, does not know what players will be sent him until after the spring practice is finished, but thinks Rothfus, Egan and Brodie will become Cowboys.

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Three young players have been signed by Indianapolis. They are Frank Bell, of Greensburg, Ind., a catcher; Frank Brunor, of Gallipolis, O., a pitcher, and Ed Dalrymple, an outfielder.

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Louisville is disposed to contest Washington's claim to Catcher Dixon, whose name both clubs sent in as being drafted. He has already signed a Washington contract.

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Jimmy Callahan, of Chicago, and Win Mercer, of the Washingtons, are said to be two of the fastest sprinting twirlers in the National league. Mercer's batting average last year was .333, which, it is said, was greatly augmented by his ability in beating out close balls.

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Pitcher Ed Scott, of the Grand Rapids team, who was one of the drafts accredited to Pittsburg, is living at Walbridge, O. There is a report that Scott will not appear in a Pirate uniform, but will be sent to the Hoosier club. He was much fancied by the owners of that organization.

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Louisville correspondence is to the effect that before long there may be a change of ownership in that club.

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F. L. Chance, the Chicago club's new catcher, is a college graduate and well supplied with this world's goods.

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Vanderbeck is the latest manager to enter the race for Tom Tucker.

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McJames is the only Baltimore player who has thus far signed a contract.

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Frank De Haas Robison says that at a pinch he would trade Jack O'Connor for Pitcher Jack Taylor.

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There are six candidates for the outfield in Cincinnati, and Elmer Smith is the only one who has a cinch.

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Monsieur La Chance will be given another trial by Brooklyn. The big Frenchman was lamentably shy in his batting last season, but Manager Barnie has faith in Monsieur's batting orb.

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A New York writer says he would not be surprised to see Joyce succeed "Kid" Gleason at second base, with the "Kid" in the outfield. The writer would not be surprised, but "Scrappy" would.

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Eddie Burke's services are in request in the Western league. Jimmy Manning, of Kansas City; Charley Comiskey and Tom Loftus, of Columbus, are anxious to sign the exsage of Burkeville, says the Washington Post.

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Into 158 week days for the next championship season President Young will be compelled to squeeze 154 games, but the Sunday dates will be utilized by more clubs next year than ever before. In the event that Pittsburg and New York join the Sunday-playing aggregations, but two cities, Philadelphia and Boston, will remain alone as non-Sunday playing teams.

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Indianapolis has signed a catcher from Elwood, Ind., named Knepper.

### ABOUT THE RING STARS.

George Lavigne, who is now in Pittsburg, Pa., said last evening that he would ignore the challenge issued by Tommy Ryan for the reason that he (Lavigne) is not a middleweight.

William Moore, the "undefeated bantam weight champion" of St. Joseph, has issued a challenge to Ed Lavine for a fight Feb. 11. The stakes are to be $500 and any purse offered.

Joe Walcott, the black welterweight, sailed for the Barbadoes yesterday afternoon with his family to visit his mother. He has not seen her for a number of years, and was very anxious to return to the islands and pay her a visit before he took on another match. Walcott is in good condition and ready to return at any moment to meet any of the men with whom matches have been proposed. Tom O'Rourke has other matches in view than that in which he put up $5,000 to back Walcott against McCoy.

Parson Davies occasionally says something clever, and one of his latest is to this effect: "I have noticed a picture of Fitzsimmons and Kid McCoy standing at arm's length in which a phenomenal reach is shown in favor of McCoy. Now, as a matter of fact, if I am not greatly mistaken, Joe Choynski outmeasures the Kid in length of extended arms; and as for Bob Armstrong, he would pick fruit for market out of a tree under which the Kid would starve to death. One might think from the tales of McCoy's reach that he would have to keep his arms bent to avoid scraping his knuckles on the ground, a la chimpanzee."

John J. Quinn yesterday, on behalf of Peter Maher, accepted "Kid" McCoy's challenge to heavyweights. Quinn wired to New York for Duncan B. Harrison to name a place of meeting to sign articles for a fight. Quinn said: "McCoy's challenge looks like a bluff. We will make him fight Maher or take a back seat. It's funny how he ignores Choynski's challenge and goes after much better men. I think he needs advertising, and is making a play for it. If he is in earnest we will cover any amount of money he has. He does not need to wait for us; we will go at him."

Sailor Sharkey is a pronounced favorite over big Jim Jeffries in their battle, which is to take place in Frisco Jan. 29.

"Kid" McCoy is being severely scored in the West for some questionable methods of booming. It appears that he has been sending a sparring partner ahead of him on the road, and the latter has hoodwinked the newspapers by issuing challenges to McCoy and posting forfeits. In that way, when McCoy reaches a town the people are all worked up over what they believe is a fight on the level. The sparring partner's name is Jimmy Ryan, and the trick was neatly worked at Dayton the other night.—New York Sun.

George Dixon is at West Baden Springs, Ind. He is said to be in poor condition, and will remain at the springs about five weeks.

There is a possibility that the two Peters, Maher and Jackson, will meet in San Francisco. If they do they would attract a wonderful house, for Jackson is a great favorite in the El Doradoan capital, whose Hibernian inhabitants would be for Maher to a man.

Duncan Harrison, who was John L. Sullivan's Thespian mentor, has assumed the management of Kid McCoy, and will shortly present him in a play called "The Pacific Mail," which was a part of the repertoire of the great comedian, Billy Crane, a few years ago.

It is said that the "powers that be" in authority in Gotham only intend allowing one boxing club within the limits of Greater New York, and that one must be on its outskirts or confines where it will give the least offense to those opposed to athletic exhibitions.

### WAR AND NOT PEACE,

**Elder Scales Says, Is the Tendency of the Day.**

The interest still continues in the services at Market hall. Last evening Elder D. E. Scales addressed the congregation upon the subject of the millennium. The speaker said in substance: "This subject is not clearly understood. There is not safety in error. There is safety in truth. The word millennium comes from two words which simply signify a thousand years. The Bible nowhere says that the world is all to be converted. It is declared that the gospel will be preached in all the world for a witness, and then shall the end come. Christ is not to reign on the earth during the thousand years. The saints are with him in heaven during that time. The last days are not to be glorious, but rather "as it was in the days of Noah and Lot." Satan is working with all the power of unrighteousness to keep men out of the kingdom of God. The Word of God declares in II. Tim. iii., 1-4, that the last day shall be perilous, not glorious. There are enumerated in this text at least eighteen of the most heinous sins, and one of these is having a form of Godliness and denying the power thereof. Another is that of pride. And this is apparent, in that you can scarcely see any difference between the church and the world, unless it be that the church member is more gaudily dressed than the world—a $5 hat and a $40 flower garden on it, or a dead bird and feathers and furbelows.

"While men are crying peace and safety, the nations are preparing for war after a most gigantic manner. About the only enterprises that are running on full time and paying full wages are the gun factories. And any man who reads the papers may know that the nations are not telling the truth when they cry peace; for there was never a time in all the history of the world when the nations were making such preparations for war as now. Carloads of old worn out farm implements have been sent into the gun works and made over into implements of war. In Europe more than twenty millions of men could be put in uniforms in less than a week. But God will save and spare his people. The Marquis of Salisbury, at the opening of the British parliament, Jan. 19, 1897, said: 'What would you say is the great change which has passed over Europe since the older of us were young men? It is this tremendous increase in the burdens which the necessity of self-defense has cast upon every nation of the world. That burden goes on getting higher and higher; a larger and larger part of the population is devoted to military service; more and more money has to be spent in the provision of the mechanical apparatus of war. The burden has become so serious to many nations that many have thought that the day will come when nations will rather rush into war and provoke a decision, once for all, than continue to groan under the suffering which modern necessity forces upon them.'"

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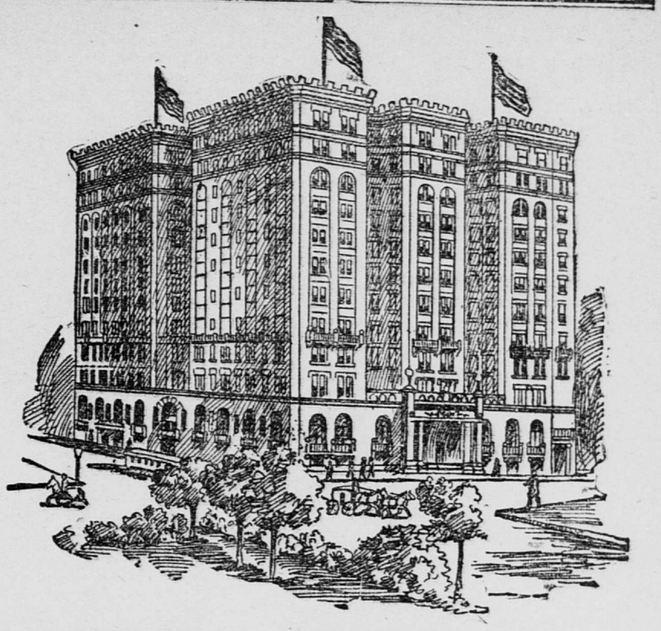

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### CHINESE NEW YEAR.

**Local Chinamen Began the Week's Celebration Yesterday.**

Local Chinamen yesterday began their celebration of the Chinese new year. New Year's, according to the Celestial calendar, really commenced Saturday, but a lot of unfinished business for which patrons were impatient made it necessary for the members of St. Paul's Chinese colony to put off the celebration until yesterday. Business cares were laid aside to celebrate the advent of the new year, according to the customs of the Flowery Kingdom. Nearly all of the twenty Chinamen in the city gathered at Quong Chong's laundry, 484 Wabasha street, by noon, and from then on until long past midnight the Mongolians held high revel. The observance was inaugurated with a "swell" dinner, at which Chinese fruits, birds' nest soup and a number of native dishes constituted the menu, and not least among the viands was an assortment of wines. During the repast, punk, sandal wood and incense were burned. During the afternoon the company drank enormous quantities of tea, and smoked big black cigars and pipes.

In the evening a dozen of the Celestials gathered about a large table in the rear of Quong Chong's laundry and proceeded to the national American card game, draw poker. They all knew the game, and bet their chips, opened jack pots and raked down their winnings with the sang froid of thoroughbreds.

The observance of the New Year's festival will continue among the Chinamen for fifteen days. There will be little work done and most of the time given over to feasting and rest. Next Sunday another "state" dinner will be given at Hum Bang's laundry, on East Third street. Hum Bang is perhaps the most influential among the local Mongolians, and will spread a feast commensurate with his high position. Every Chinaman in the city has been invited to the dinner and a repetition of yesterday's enjoyment on a larger scale will suffice to make the invitation one of general acceptance.

### WILL NOT COME EAST.

**Relatives of K. P. Cullen Will Remain in California.**

Col. C. J. Monfort, of the Windsor, yesterday afternoon received a telegram from O. O. Cullen, dated at San Francisco, in which the sender says that the remains of his brother, Kimball P. Cullen, who died several days ago at Los Angeles, will not be brought East for interment until spring. Mr. Cullen, in all probability, will remain for the present with the bereaved family in the West.

### SERVICE OF SACRED SONG.

**Fine Programme Presented at the People's Church.**

The favor with which the monthly sacred song services at the People's church are being received was amply evidenced last evening by the large congregation which almost filled the edifice to listen to the fourth concert of this kind. The programme was excellently arranged, consisting of a selection of sacred numbers chosen with regard to opportunity for solo, duet and chorus renditions, for which the augmented choir showed itself efficiently prepared. Under the direction of Prof. Rhys-Herbert, the concerted numbers were rendered in an accomplished manner, impressive as sacred music should be, and commendably without any attempt at grandiloquent effects. The soloists were each in good voice and creditably rendered some of the more difficult sacred compositions. Morrie Jeffries, the youthful soprano, sang a pleasing number in a particularly sweet voice. The services concluded with a hymn participated in by the congregation.

### THIS IS A NEW ONE HERE.

**Brotherhood of Steam Shovel and Dredge Engineers Organizes.**

A local lodge of the Brotherhood of Steam Shovel and Dredge Engineers and Cranemen of America was organized yesterday by Grand Organizer A. S. Adams, with fifteen charter members. The following officers were elected: H. W. Cushing, president; William Johnston, first vice president; Fred Oper, second vice president; A. J. Black, secretary and treasurer; William McMillan, guard; board of trustees, Frank Hale, John Persell, Frank Johnson.

The organization, while only a year old, numbers over 500 members and is organizing local lodges in all the large cities. The grand lodge is located at No. 69 Dearborn street, Chicago, Ill.

### THEIR HOUSE IS GONE.

**But the Krevanek Children Luckily Were Saved.**

The story and a half frame dwelling of Joseph Krevanek, 1366 Palmer street, was totally destroyed by fire at 3 o'clock yesterday morning, causing a loss of $1,500. Krevanek carried $400 insurance on his household effects. The fire started from some unknown cause while the family was at a dance. Fortunately, two small children, who did not accompany the mother and father to the dance, were left at the home of a neighbor, and thus a fatality was avoided. The flames had gained great headway by the time the fire department arrived, and the best effort of the firemen could not prevent the destruction of the house.

### CRISHAM & WINCH.

**Their Schedules Were Filed in Court Saturday.**

The schedules of the assets and liabilities of the firm of Crisham & Winch were filed in the office of the clerk of courts Saturday. The actual assets of the firm are $3,917. These include the merchandise, fixtures and bills receivable. In addition to these the schedule shows about $7,000 of assets, consisting of consigned goods, the ownership of which is in dispute.

The schedule of liabilities states that the total indebtedness of the firm is $43,939.88. The largest creditors are the Racine Wagon and Carriage company, of Racine, Wis., whose claim amounts to $4,332.50; the Buckeye Buggy company, of Columbus, O., $1,821; the Studebaker Bros.' Manufacturing company, of South Bend, Ind., $1,512.68; Sturtevant &