PEACE TALK STARTS

END OF WESTERN BASEBALL WAR REPORTED IN SIGHT

STORY AN IMPROBABLE DREAM

Settlement of Deal Said to Hinge Upon Ownership of Omaha Club —American to Get Milwaukee Park.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 1.—Present indications point to an early settlement of the row between the American association and the Western league, and a division of the territory which will make both sides equally satisfied and end the war which threatened to injure both organizations and make the disagreement a costly affair to the magnates. The settlement of the deal hinges upon the ownership of the Omaha club, it is said, and if the Western league will withdraw from Kansas City Omaha will be given to the Manning crowd, and the American association will establish a team in Louisville under the ownership of Arden Buell, of Berlin and Ald. Corcoran, of Milwaukee. The agreement, so it is said, will also provide for the transfer of the lease of Milwaukee park to the association magnates here, which will prevent the National league from breaking in if it wants to.

Secretary Havenor, of the Milwaukee club, last night said he was not aware that any deal of that kind was pending, and President Quin stated that everything pertaining to the circuit was in the hands of the circuit committee, which is composed of Hickey, Watkins and Tebeau. The members of the committee are now together in Louisville, Tebeau having joined Hickey and Watkins yesterday. The American association magnates have so far found it impossible to have the street which divides their park at Omaha closed by the council in time to prepare the grounds for playing, and there is no likelihood of their being able to do so. At the same time Rourke, the holder of the Omaha franchise and players, is obdurate and has declined to sell to the association men except at an exorbitant figure, and the American association, practically without players and grounds to play on in the Nebraska city, is tied hand and foot so long as it persists in trying to break in there.

KELLY HAS SIGNED BEAN

MANAGER OF ST. PAUL TEAM SECURES FAST SHORTSTOP.

If the St. Paul baseball team of the 1902 season is not a world beater in the American association class it will not be the fault of Manager Mike Kelly, the man sent out by George E. Lennon with instructions to secure for this city the best team possible. Kelly has followed instructions, and the player-manager has been working hard. He now has a list of players for his president, and Mr. Lennon is satisfied with the list.

President Lennon was in Chicago Friday and visited President Hart of the Chicago National league team, but the St. Paul magnate denies that he was after players. Kelly is hunting players for the St. Paul team, and Mr. Lennon is willing to wait for Kelly's list.

The St. Paul club owner received a telegram from Manager Kelly yesterday informing him that Shortstop Joe Bean has been signed for the St. Paul team. Bean was the fastest infielder in the Eastern league last season and was claimed by Boston at the close of the season. He is fast enough for big league company, but he has been for many years a personal friend of Manager Kelly. He wanted to play under Kelly, and for that reason signed a St. Paul contract.

MANNING GETS WEIMER

JAKE, THE CIGARMAKER, SIGNS WITH WESTERN LEAGUE TEAM.

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 1.—Pitcher Jake Weimer, of the Kansas City team last season, has cast his lot with the Western league by signing with James Manning. Weimer pitched splendidly for Tebeau last season. Manning offered him a considerable increase in salary.

President Packard has secured Parker Wilson, the old Kansas City backstop. Wilson is now on the coast. He had signed with Beall, but when the Minneapolis man was ousted at the Kansas City meeting, he sent back the advance money.

NO CONFLICT OF DATES

NATIONAL AND AMERICAN OFFICIALS TO COMPARE SCHEDULES.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—A clashing of dates between the American and the National baseball leagues in all probability will be avoided this season. At the recent meeting between A. G. Spalding, the disputed president of the National league, and Ban Johnson, head of the American organization, the fixing of schedules for the two leagues was a principal topic of discussion. It is asserted that both the magnates agreed to fix the dates so as not to conflict with each other.

The time is near when the magnates of the leagues will have to settle down and arrange dates for the respective clubs in the league. The conflict of the dates between the two organizations last season was not profitable to either, and for this reason alone the magnates are anxious to arrange their schedules to prevent a repetition of the trouble.

BREWER STOCK COMPANY

MILWAUKEE SPORTSMEN HAVE SECURED CONTROL OF TEAM.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—President Ban Johnson, of the American league, returned from St. Louis yesterday and announced that he had perfected the organization of a stock company which will own and operate the new club to be located in the Missouri metropolis.

"The club has not been incorporated as yet," said Johnson, "but it will be in a few days, and as soon as the papers are filed the work of building the plant and preparing for the coming season will begin and be pushed with all possible speed. Ralph Orthwein will be the president of the club. He is a young sportsman who is well and favorably known in his native city of St. Louis. He has plenty of money, and, what is more, is an enthusiastic lover of baseball. In my opinion, he will prove a strong addition to the ranks of the American league."

BEST PLAYERS LOST

NATIONAL LEAGUE STARS ARE NOW WITH THE AMERICAN.

A glance over the make-up of teams so far secured by the various clubs in the two big baseball organizations brings to light the wisdom of A. G. Spalding's advice to the warring members of the National league: "Sign the best players you can lay hands on at once." The American league club owners, by taking advantage of the feeling of uncertainty existing among the National leaguers, who were looking forward to some such internal wrangle as has since actually occurred, easily outbid them in the scramble for the most desirable players on the market, says the Cincinnati Enquirer. Philadelphia, New York, Brooklyn and St. Louis teams suffered most at the hands of the hustling American league managers, while Pittsburg, the team that won the pennant in 1901, was not weakened at all. This, on paper at least, makes Pittsburg a sure pennant winner next season, and consequently detracts from the attractiveness of the race for the National league flag. On the other hand, several American league teams that finished behind Chicago in 1901 have been strengthened until they seem to be about as formidablle as Comiskey's champions, and there does not seem to be a really weak team in the list.

It was a bad mistake for National league club owners to permit their best players to be taken away from them for the comparatively small difference in salary that would have kept them. McFarland, Delehanty, Flick, Orth, Wolverton, Cross, Duggleby, Douglass, Townsend and Donohue were worth as much to the Phillies as they possibly can be to the Washington team, to which five of the number have gone. In New York the situation was even more marked, for a winning team in that city is a tremendous money maker, while there is little in a loser. In spite of this fact, the best players Freedman had on his pay roll have been allowed to go to other teams, the managers of which were willing to pay them higher salaries.

The National league club owners, although engaged in a wrangle that may result in the disruption of the organization, although that is hardly probable, are now awake to the fact that without good ball players they might as well get out of the business, and have set about it to secure the best young players that can be secured.

STORY ABOUT FREEDMAN

DUCKY HOLMES HAS POOR OPINION OF NEW YORK MAGNATE.

Ducky Holmes in a reminiscent mood told some characteristic stories of Freedman and the ways he has of treating ball players. Says Ducky:

"The year before I joined the New York team Jimmy Stafford was playing left field, and one day in Chicago he made a home run and won a tight game for the Giants. Freedman was tickled to death and that night went out and bought a $25 diamond pin and presented it to Jimmy. Of course Jimmy was all swelled up on himself and thought he was the whole thing. Mike Tiernan, then playing with New York, made a bet with Stafford that the pin would cost him twice as much as it was worth before the trip was over. Jimmy took the bet. The next day he was caught napping on first, and that night he had a fine plastered on by Freedman. The next day he missed a thrown ball and was soaked $25 more. He called the bet off with Tiernan for he was afraid he would owe Freedman money when he got back to New York.

"I was in Freedman's office the day before I left New York that season, and he offered me a contract for the next year, calling for the same salary that I had been getting in 1897. I told him to come again but he wouldn't listen and said I could sign that or nothing. I left and went home, and the first thing I got when I got home was an envelope mailed the same night I left New York, with a contract in it calling for $50 a month less than I had drawn the year before, together with the threat that if I didn't sign it I couldn't play anywhere. I sent it back to Andy and told him I would play in a trolley car league in the West before I would play for him at such a figure.

"But by the next year I was traded to Baltimore, and there the first time we played in New York the climax of my troubles with Freedman came. Freedman and a friend of his, named, I think, Schneider, a wealthy New Yorker, were on the upper deck of the New York grand stand, and when I came to bat Schneider commenced to yell at me. Once before when I was playing for Freedman I had been fined $25 for striking out while attempting to bunt, and this day I did the same thing. Someone yelled, either Freedman or Schneider, 'You lobster, that's why you were fired out of the New York team.'

"That made me mad and I walked toward the stand and told Freedman a few things that possibly do not appear in society novels, and then walked out to left field. In a minute Freedman was out of the stand and out on the field. Walking up to Lynch, who was umpiring, Freedman demanded that I be put off the grounds. Lynch is a hot-headed Irishman and wouldn't stand for any interference with his rights and something like the following dialogue took place:

"'I want that man put off the grounds before the game goes on,' says Freedman.

"'And who are you?' quoth Lynch. 'I want you to understand that I am the master of this field while the game is on and I don't take orders from you or no one else.'

"'And I would have you know,' says Freedman, 'that I am the owner of these grounds, and what I says goes.'

"'Does it?' asked Lynch. 'Maybe it does with the groundkeeper, but it doesn't with me, so off the grounds and let the game go on.'

"But Freedman refused to play with me in the game, so Lynch finally forfeited the game to us, and later Freedman was fined $1,000, but his fine was after remitted. I was suspended, but got out an injunction and continued playing, and the next time I was in New York got an ovation, while Freedman was nearly mobbed."

COLLEGE BALL PLAYERS

THE UNIVERSITIES ARE BECOMING FEEDERS FOR LEAGUES.

The influence of the influx of professional men is being felt more and more each year in baseball. The colleges are becoming large feeders for the professional leagues, the high salaries offered being a great temptation to those who have ability in the national game, and the roster of players now includes names of doctors, professors, lawyers and even clergymen. As brains count in baseball, men of high education are bound to have a great influence on the game.

Up to about five years ago few men had deserted their professions to enter baseball.

John Montgomery Ward, "Orator Jim" O'Rourke and Harry Taylor were a trio that entered the legal profession after finishing their baseball careers and are now prosperous attorneys. Catcher Bushong became a dentist, Pitcher McJames a physcian and Billy Sunday a clergyman, but these are exceptions. These men spent a part of their salaries and gave up most of their spare time to study, so as to fit themselves for after life, and the fact that all are prospering now should be an example for all other players to emulate, since the life of a baseball player, athletically speaking, is necessarily very short.

There are many players today who are either professional men now or are studying for some of the professions.

Powers, the popular catcher of the Athletic club, is now a full-fledged physician, having received his degree of M. D. last week from a medical college in Indiana. Pitcher Newton, of the Brooklyn club, graduted as a physician last year. Pitcher Lewis, of the Boston American league club, is a graduate of a divinity school in Massachusetts, and is now a regularly ordained clergyman. Rev. Lewis has just accepted a professorship in a New England college, and announces his permanent retirement from the diamond. Sam Leever, the crack pitcher of the Pittsburg club, is a school teacher, as is Dale Gear, pitcher of last season's Washington club and now studying law. Hugh Jennings, first baseman of the Phillies, will graduate from the Cornell law school within another year, and expects to hang out his shingle as a lawyer at once. Another Philadelphia club first baseman who retired from the game to practice law is William Gockle, who is now a prosperous attorney at Wilkesbarre.

STREETER IN THE GAME

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—According to Capt. George Wellington Streeter, there is likely to be a baseball park in the District of Lake Michigan. Streeter yesterday confided the fact that negotiations to this end had been in progress for some time. He refused to say what persons had talked with him on the subject, but declared they represented a baseball league of consequence. It is considered possible that men who may have contemplated getting either a Western league or a Western association franchise in Chicago may have talked the matter over with the "governor of the District of Lake Michigan." However, both those leagues have abandoned Chicago as a possibility in their circuits, and if Capt. Streeter has a ball park he will probably have to form a league of his own or join forces with Andy Freedman and John T. Brush.

NEVER AGAIN WILL TERRY TAKE CHANCES

Terry McGovern says every time he fights it's going to be a case of two months of hard training. Theatrical fame is to be cast to the winds in the campaign that the former champion has planned.

"I pass up this idea about being a great actor," says Terry. "After this I'll let Richard Mansfield and them guys fight out the heavyweight championship among themselves. I let up on trying to get into the 'Romeo and Juliet' class after this. What I am going to land is in the the fighting line. See?"

His first defeat has done the redoubtable Terry more good than a score of victories. He realizes that the way to retain a championship is to meet good men and keep up to date. No fighter can go on for many months, not to say years, matching his skill against men of inferior class without underestimating his opponent when he at last meets a man in his own class. The work that the little ex-champion has laid out indicates that he will be prepared to fight anything short of Jim Jeffries next time he goes into the ring.

McGovern is still one of the most wonderful fighters who ever resined a shoe. His strength is as great as it ever was and today he is as good a man as he was when he whipped Palmer, Dixon and other crack fighters.

McGovern never dissipates. He exercises regularly. He is of the right age to be at his best.

"Terrible Terry" has all the attributes of a successful fighter. He is strong, quick as a flash, game, recuperative from the effects of a blow almost instantly; scientific and above all is without doubt the most aggressive fighter in the ring today.

The "fighting face" of other fighters is an impassive mask compared to that of Terry McGovern when he is in the ring, and anxious to finish his man and get home to dinner and Jerry Jr. Many men who might have made a fair showing against McGovern have lost their nerve when they have been confronted with the almost maniacal glare of Terry's blue eyes in the moment of his BersSarker rage. In fact, Terry came to regard that as a kind of patent appliance of his own for the undoing of his rival pugilists, and seemed much put out at Hartford when Young Corbett dared to respond with a grin.

In action the Brooklyn terror never rests. He rushes from the start and never lets up a moment until the finish comes. Lately he has been fighting wide open, as Fitz did when he lost the championship to Jeffries, seeming contented to risk having to take a dangerous blow for the sake of landing a quick knockout. After this he will probably go back to his old style in this regard. No one accused him of fighting unprotected when he met Frank Erne.

No fighter of his weight has any advantage over McGovern in regard to strength. He is built on the symmetrical lines of a Greek athlete. And the ancient sculptors of Greece knew more about a physically perfect man than modern modelers ever dreamed of. The little scrapper's arms, legs and body are perfectly proportioned to get the greatest all-around strength possible in a man of his weight. There is not a faulty point in his build. His legs are strong enough to carry him through any battle. His body is well protected by muscles, and his arms and shoulders carry punching power at least as great as that of any man in his class.

YANKEES BEST SKATERS

CANADIANS DECISIVELY BEATEN AT VERONA LAKE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—Americans scored heavily over the Canadians today in the finals of the championship skating races between Canada and the United States at Verona Lake. The competition, which began Friday, was concluded by skating off the finals of the half mile and mile events, which had been run in heats on the previous day, while the three-mile and ten-mile races were the additional attractions. Peter Sinnirud and Morris Wood divided the honors, the former winning the half-mile and ten-mile events, while Wood captured the one and three-mile contests.

The Canadian got three thirds, but only one second, A. E. Pilke, of Montreal, getting that place in the half-mile event. The ice was in poor condition. Summaries:

Half-mile, final heat—Won by Peter Sinnirud, Verona; A. E. Pilke, Montreal, second; G. Bellefeuille, Rat Portage, third. Time, 1:25 2-5.

On mile, final heat—Won by Morris Wood, Verona; F. R. Sayer, New York A. C., second; M. Bellefeuille, Rat Portage, third. Time, 3:07 1-5.

Three miles—Won by Morris Wood, Verona; Peter Sinnirud, Verona, second; W. Caldwell, Montreal, third. Time, 10:19 4-5.

Ten miles—Won by Peter Sinnirud, Verona; Morris Wood, Verona, second; F. R. Sayer, New York A. C., third. Time, 37:04 1-5.

The results of the five championship events give Sinnirud first in the half mile, five miles and ten miles, and Wood first in the one mile and three miles. The Canadians got only second in the entire series—Pilke in the half mile.

ICE QUEEN WILL SKATE

WOMAN SKATER TO GIVE EXHIBITION AT CENTRAL RINK.

Miss Minnie Cummings, better known as the "Ice Queen," will give an exhibition of figure skating at the Central rink, Wabasha street and College avenue, next Thursday evening. Miss Cummings is without doubt the most graceful woman skater in the world, and her reputation is a national one. She is a strong, graceful skater, and on the most intricate figures, where great effort is required, acquits herself brilliantly.

Winners at Oakland.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 1.—Oakland, weather clear; track fast.

First race, half a mile, two-year-olds, purse—Durazzo, 100, O'Connor, 2 to 5, won; Adirondack, 110, Bullman, 4 to 1, second; Honiton, 107, J. Woods, 8 to 1, third. Time, :49.

Second race, one mile and a quarter, hurdle, purse—Master Lee, 137, J. Murphy, 10 to 1, won; Loyal S, 137, Boynton, 4 to 1, second; Bonitary, 135, Mattor, 3 to 1, third. Time, 2:25.

Third race, three-quarters of a mile, selling—Afghan, 119, L. Jackson, 4 to 1, won; Black Dick, 119, J. Woods, 15 to 1, second; Shell Mount, 101, Burns, 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:14.

Fourth race, one mile and 100 yards, handicap—Lapidus, 104, J. Daly, 2 to 1, won; Grayfield, 103, Birkenruth, 3½ to 1, second; La Goleta, 106, Ransom, 2 to 1, third. Time, 1:47.

Fifth race, one mile and a sixteenth, selling, Adam Andrew stakes—xSweet Tooth, 97, Birkenruth, 7 to 10, won; xPaul Clifford, 106, Burns, 7 to 10, second; Macgyle, 99, Ransch, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:47.

Sixth race, one mile and an eighth, selling—Herculean, 109, Burns, 7 to 5, won; Artilla, 104, Birkenruth, 3½ to 1, second; Picador, 107, OConnor, 8 to 1, third. Time, 1:54.

National Reporter's Whist.

The high score at the National Reporter Whist club last night was made by Templeman and Strong, with 4½ above average. Following is the score:

North and South—	
Denzer and Welters	155
Strong and Templeman	157
Ives and Corfe	148
Hart and Murray	150
Total	610
Average, 152½.	
East and West—	
Morony and Hajieck	157
Koempel and Francois	160
Nelson and Brouillett	161
Francois and Deggendorf	160
Total	638
Average, 159½.	

Favorites Beaten at Charleston.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 1.—Only one favorite won at the Exposition track this afternon. Weather threatening; track fast. Results:

First race, selling, five and a half furlongs—Trilby Nelson won, Suttee second, Sadie Southwell third. Time, 1:13.

Second race, six and a half furlongs—Good Night won, Agnes Claire second, Ohio King third. Time, 1:34.

Third race, handicap, mile and an eighth, over five hurdles—King Along won, A Bride second, Negoncie third. Time, 2:10.

Fourth race, selling, gentlemen riders, six and a half furlongs—Stuttgart won, Ellis second, Grace third. Time, 1:30.

Fifth race, selling, six furlongs — Lake Fonso won, By George second, Frank B third. Time, 1:18½.

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NEW STYLES JUST RECEIVED.

WILL REMAIN WITH BOSTON.

Somers Will Continue Interested in Management of Bean Eaters.

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 1. — Charles W. Somers refuses to confirm the report that he has retired from baseball. He declines to talk, but hints that he could say a good deal. Today he said he would remain with the Boston team during the coming season, but from his talk it appears he will not be active in the management of the team.

When asked to confirm the report of his retirement, Mr. Somers said: "Yes, I have sold a certain portion of my holdings in the Boston American league club to Mr. Killilea, and he will hereafter be associated with me in the control of the team."

Further than this Mr. Somers would not talk, saying that he might be able to give out some news of interest to the general public in a few days. Time and time again last summer he had to neglect his personal business in this city and devote his time to baseball in Boston.

When he took hold of the Boston franchise last year it was with the understanding that he be allowed to sell out te parties suitable to the league at the close of the season. He wished to be in Cleveland the greater part of the time, but as he had his heart in the expansion movement he sold out his Cleveland interests and backed the Boston team.

It is known that if he could purchase a part of the Cleveland club he would remain in baseball as an active member.

ELLISON CHANGED HIS MIND.

Horse Owner Discovered That the Public Knew a Good Thing.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., Feb. 1.—Charley Ellison arrived Friday night from New Orleans and ordered his trio of horses, Ben Battle, Bard of Avon and The Unknown, unloaded from the car in which they were placed ready for shipment to New Orleans. Ellison said that he intended to pull off a "good thing," but that before leaving New Orleans he found out that the public was as familiar with the work of his horses as he was himself, therefore he has abandoned the Crescent City trip and his horses were led back to their stalls here.

Ellison says he is $20,000 looser on the Frisco trip which he took during the holidays.

MANAGER SELEE TO REPORT.

Make-Up of Hart's Team Will Be Announced Next Week.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1. — Frank Selee, the new manager of the Orphans, will report to President Hart here early next week, when the formal announcement of the make-up of the West side ball team for this year will be made.

President Hart stated yesterday that the list of players was nearly if not quite complete and had already been given out piece-meal through the press, but that the playing end of the game was entirely in the hands of Selee and that he would leave all announcements regarding the players to the new manager.

Over thirty men are under contract to play with the Orphans, including all of last year's team, with the exception of Green, Hartsel and Hughes. The most of the recruits, with the exception of Bob Lowe, are youngsters untried in fast company, but when the weakened condition of the other National league clubs is considered it seems that from the long list of candidates a nine can be selected that will at least make a record better than that of last year.

After reporting to President Hart, Manager Selee will go to Hot Springs for a short rest. Lowe is likely to accompany the new manager to the Arkansas watering place, and it is possible that Doyle and one or two others will join them there for a little preliminary work before the real training begins at Champaign.

NO CHANCE IN KENTUCKY.

Big Fights Are Not Wanted by Citizens of Louisville.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1. — According to Tim Hurst, citizens of Louisville will not have an opportunity to witness a battle between Jeffries and Sharkey. Hurst said yesterday: "What would be the use of trying to bring off such a fight there? The first thing some citizen would be writing letters to the governor of Kentucky protesting against the sport. Fights like the one between McGovern and Sullivan are big enough, and many people enjoy them better than heavyweight contests. There seems to be a prejudice against battles between big men in that section."

ADDRESS CHALLENGE TO YALE.

Directors of University of California Ask for Dual Meet.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 1.—In answer to a letter from Capt. Charles Gould, president of the Yale Track association, to the University of California athletic managers about the probability of a dual track meet between the two universities—one here and one in California—a challenge has just been received by Capt. Gould from the Californians for a meet some time before June.

Today Capt. Gould stated he could not say whether Yale would accept the challenge, but likely she would. California is anxious to meet Yale. Yale had a track contest with California three years ago. If these two colleges meet it will be about the middle of May.

LAWSON ISSUES CHALLENGE.

The Terrible Swede Will Skate Any Professional in the World.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—John Lawson, of Chicago, better known as the Terrible Swede, has issued a challenge to skate any professional in the world in a five to fifty-mile contest. Lawson can furnish unlimited backing. He holds the world's skating record for fifty miles—3 hours and 12 seconds—having shattered all amateur and professional records for that distance.

Lawson also holds the twenty-four-hour bicycle record—528 miles and 928 yards—made at Los Angeles, Cal., and recognized by the N. C. A.

LYNCH PICKS HIS TEAM.

Notre Dame Captain Prepares for the Baseball Season.

NOTRE DAME, Ind., Feb. 1.—Capt. Lynch started his baseball training table tonight. Five of last year's team were given places. They are O'Neill, catcher; Higgins and Hogan, pitcher; Lynch, shortstop, and Farley, right field. A final weeding out of the team will take place next week. Lynch will reserve fifteen men to make up the 'varsity for the year.

Coach Butler has discovered a new mile runner in Corbett, of the Cumberland, Wis., high school, a freshman who has a good record of 4:43.

HICKEY DENIES STORY.

American Association President Says Omaha Will Be in Circuit.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Feb. 1.—President Hickey, of the American association, in an interview today stated positively that his league had no intention of abandoning Omaha and taking up Louisville instead. This statement was made in reply to a Milwaukee dispatch to the effect that such a change was in contemplation.

STILL WAITING FOR RAISE.

Big League Umpires Are Looking for More Money.

CHICAGO, Feb. 1.—There are no new developments in the umpire muddle. The star men in the business, namely, Cantillion, Sheridan, Emslie and O'Day, are as yet unsigned. Neither the American nor the National league can afford to start the season without the services of these men, for the patrons of the game would not stand for incompetent umpires when the fact is known that men of the reputation and standing of Cantillion, Sheridan, Emslie and O'Day are ready and willing to work, provided they are offered fair salaries.

Big Money Offered Lipton.

NEW YORK, Feb. 1.—C. W. Post, of Battle Creek, Mich., has submitted a novel proposition to Sir Thomas Lipton, designed to further test the merits of Shamrock II. and Columbia in competition and to similarly try out yachts calling for and defending the America's cup. The plan as outlined in a letter forwarded to Sir Thomas provided for an exchange of crews and a race for a cup which Mr. Post offered to donate to be known as the Yachtman's cup. Mr. Post offered Sir Thomas $10,000 for a charter of Shamrock II.

Manager Sharsig Dead.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 1.—William Sharsig, business manager of the Philadelphia American league baseball club, died at his home here taday, aged forty-four years. Mr. Sharsig had been in ill health for over two years, and about four months ago his ailment became critical. The greater portion of Mr. Sharsig's life was devoted to baseball, and in 1883, when the Athletic club, of the American association, won the championship, he was manager of that team.

Basket Ball a Rough Game.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 1.—Injuries have compelled Yale's basketball team to cancel all its games for one week. No more games will be played till Feb. 15. Fully as many Yale athletes have been laid up by basketball as by football the present season.

Indoor Meet Arranged.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Feb. 1.—Cornell has agreed to contest with Michigan here in an indoor meet on March 15. There will be nine events, and each university is limited to thirteen men.

Manager Baird goes to Chicago tomorrow to meet Wisconsin's manager to arrange for a football game for next fall.

Weeding Process Continues.

CHARLESTON, S. C., Feb. 1. — The weeding-out process of alleged wrongdoers still continues here. The one on whom the ax fell today was J. R. Hand, who, with his horses, was ruled off the track. The stewards claim Hand formed a clique and "fixed" many races. They charge that the plan was to bet money in various pool rooms througnout the country.

Yale's New Manager.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Feb. 1. — The Yale Football association tonight elected Allen Fox, '03, of Detroit, Mich., as its president and manager for the ensuing year.

Winter Notes From The Fan Mills.

Catcher Kittridge, of the Boston club, who was with Nichols when he signed Shannon, said that Dale Gear should be kicked out of the Players' association because he tried to uphold the rights of the players against the scheming of Pat Powers. Kittridge has been kicked about from one club to another so much that he must imagine that it is due everyone. He should be the last to speak of Gear in that manner, as Gear is a better friend to the players now than Pat Powers will ever be.

Carsey insists that the venture of new grounds in New York city is his own, and that he has had no dealings with the Spalding faction of the National league. But just how far the new promoter expects to arrange for the playing of Sunday games, in the face of the present law against it, he fails to explain satisfactorily.

Roy Thomas, who is at Youngstown, Ohio, doesn't think it in the Spalding repertoire of jobs to put out A. Freedman, either in a limited round or a finish fight. He is quoted as declaring: "Spalding might be able to freeze out Brush, but never Freedman. Freedman is worth $6,000,000, and is stubborn, and, I believe, would not dispose of his New York club at any price."

The Baltimore baseball club is the defendant in a suit. A Mr. McAllister, a painter, is the plaintiff, and he is trying to collect a balance alleged to be due for painting the stands for the club on the York road.

Amos Ruse has decided to give up the profession of ditch digging with the hope of again breaking into baseball. The former great twirler is planning to get a berth in the California league, and goes to the coast next month.

The New York Sun says that Spalding will soon convince the public that he has not been "bluffing" in his controversy with the Freedman baseball faction. Startling developments are expected in the near future.

Jesse Burkett, Kit Bransfield and John Anderson are among those who are expected to play in an indoor ball league which Jack Sharrot is organizing at Worcester, Mass.

Boston fans who follow the American league procession are expecting great things of Dineen this summer. Last year Billy pitched some of the best ball in the old league, but was decidedly unlucky. It is predicted that Jimmy Collins will get the best work out of him.

Charlie Nichols of the Kansas City club has signed Frank Shannon, who played shortstop for the Indianapolis team several years ago. He is a clever little player, but a light hitter.

Manager Shettsline of the Philadelphia National league team has made up his pitching staff for next season. He says it will be composed of White, Voohes, Felix and Iberg.

Courtney, a young player in the California league, is the latest acquisition to the Boston National league team. He is slated to play in the outfield or as utility man.

Buck Freeman is glad that Collins intends placing him in the outfield. He thinks that he will increase his batting figures materially this season.

Tom Loftus says: "As regards my own club in Washington, I can only say this much; I am in the market for a couple of strong players, but as things look now the Senators will line up in this order: Pitchers, Carrick, Orth, Townsend, Lee and Patton; catchers, Donohue and W. Clark; first base, Cary; second base, Wolverton; third base, Coughlin; shortstop, Ely; left field, Delehanty; right field, Ryan, and center field, Keister."—Chicago Tribune.

Unless the poor old National league magnates get together mighty quick and show the public that they intend to play ball this season, and the star minor leaguers they have signed will desert them. Already several of these high-class youngsters have revoked their contracts with the Natonal league and signed new contracts with either the American or minor league clubs.—Cleveland Leader.

Instead of weakening the American association cause, the Kansas City meeting of the Western league gave new strength to the Hickeyites and proved to the baseball public that the American association was too firmly entrenched to be dislodged by the Western league and the National association forces.—Columbus Dispatch.

Dreyfuss made the following significant remark to Ren Mulford: "If the courts decide that no election has taken place then there will be nothing but to resume balloting, and I do not say that Pittsburg will in that case continue to vote for A. G. Spalding."

C. D. White declares that it is not the intention of Spalding to attempt to place rival clubs in New York, Boston, Cincinnati and St. Louis in case the Brush-Freedman four refuse to get into line and reform the old eight-club circuit. White was in the city yesterday. He is Spalding's representative.

"I have no desire to be drawn into the controversy," is the usual preface to the screeds that the different National League magnates are now sending out. Following which they proceed to gouge their fellow magnates and rip open great wide seams. These call for replies, the first sentence of which usually runs on this wise: "I sincerely hope that this will end the discussion." —Washington Post.

Manager Dwyer of the Detroit American League team announces the make-up of the Detroit team this year as follows: Catchers, Bulah and McAlister; pitchers, Selvers, Mullins, Miller and Yeager; first base, Dillon; second base, Gleason; third base, Casey; shortstop, Elberfield; left field, Harley; center field, Barrett; right field, Holmes. Manager Dwyer is confident of winning first place with his team this year.

The Boston American League team has selected Manager Hanlon's old stamping grounds—Augusta, Ga.—for training this spring. The players will arrive there on March 25 for a stay of three weeks, playing exhibtion games with various southern college teams.

Fred Clarke is willing to coach the Washington and Jefferson College baseball team, according to Pittsburg dispatches.

Roney Viox, who has left Marion, of the Western Association, to join Columbus, in the American Association, is putting in a quiet winter at Reading, Ohio. He is a brickmaker, and, after enjoying a season of hunting, went to work at his trade. Roney will play short for Jack Grim's Capitalists.

A Syracuse reporter asked Jimmy Collins the extent of his wealth and got this reply: "They have had me quoted at all sums, but to tell you the truth, not one of them has been correct. Most of my money is in property. I own a pretty good paying set of flats in Buffalo. I don't know their real value now, but at the outside my entire fortune is not more than $30,000, and I have been playing ball for ten years."

RAN THROUGH THE POINTS.

Several Nushka Club Curlers Make Fair Scores.

In the points game at the Nushka rink yesterday, the following scores were made:

Emerson Hadley 25, Evan Rees 27, Dr. McLaren 32, Jack Ordway 26, Dr. Grieves 30, A. B. Van Bergen 25, Dr. Welch 23, Theodore Griggs 27, Charles Barlow 29.

In the Gordon cup series two games were played as follows: W. Mitchell, W. J. Driscoll, E. L. Munn, C. W. Gordon, skip, 12; W. S. Timberlake, H. P. Boyle, J. N. Hill, H. P. Clark, skip, 8. Dr. Appleby, A. S. Mason, E. N. Smith, Dr. C. L. Grieves, skip, 15; C. L. Blood, G. C. Zenzius, A. D. Driscoll, skip, 8.

Two practice games resulted: J. B. Emerson, Evan Rees, R. H. Dunbar, skip, 19; W. J. Murray, Charles Barlow, A. B. Van Bergen, skip, 3. H. M. Agnew, Dr. Welch, C. W. Griggs, skip, 7; R. S. Kennedy, Dr. J. D. Paxton, J. N. Kirby, skip, 11.

NORTHERN CIRCUIT RACES.

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 1.—At a meeting of the Highland Park club directors today, after a conference with the management of the Douglas Park club, of Louisville, the following dates were decided upon for the northern district:

Fort Erie, June 10 to July 23, inclusive.

Highland Park (Detroit), July 26 to Aug. 23, inclusive.

Windsor, Aug. 26 to Sept. 27, inclusive.

Douglas Park (Louisville, Ky.), Oct. 2 to Oct. 25, inclusive.

The following stakes have been announced, entries for which will close on Feb. 22:

Highland Park—The Trial Derby, for three-year-olds, value $1,500, one mile and an eighth; the Detroit stake, for two-year-olds, $1,000, five furlongs; the Highland Park stakes, for three-year-olds and upwards, $1,000, six furlongs; the Oakland handicap, for three-year-olds and upwards, $1,000, one mile.

Fort Erie—The Canadian Derby, for three-year-olds, $2,000, one mile and a quarter; the Hamilton stake, selling, for three-year-olds, $1,000, seven furlongs; the Buffalo stake, for two-year-olds, $1,000, four and a half furlongs; the Iroquois stake, for two-year-olds, $1,000, five furlongs.

Prince Blazes Lands Big Stake.

NEW ORLEANS, Feb. 1.—Nutt's skillful riding gave Prince Blazes the verdict by a head in the Merchants' handicap, worth $1,920 to the winner, this afternoon. The stewards were so dissatisfied with Handicapper's performance in the fifth race that they decided to refuse his entry in the future. Weather rainy; track heavy.

First race, selling, one mile—Dr. Carry, 101, Lyne, 15 to 1, won; St. David, 103, Blake, 9 to 10, second; Carlovingian, 97, Hope, 15 to 1, third. Time, 1:48½.

Second race, four furlongs—Dark Planet, 108, Coburn, 5 to 2, won; Lady Matchless, 105, Landry, 10 to 1, second; Royal Deceiver, 108, Dominick, 15 to 1, third. Time, :52½.

Third race, six furlongs—Lennep, 102, Gormley, 4 to 1, won; Pigeon Post, 105, Landry, 8 to 1, second; If You Dare, 96, T. Dean, 16 to 1, third. Time, 1:17.

Fourth race, Merchants' handicap, one mile and a sixteenth—Prince Blazes, 100, Nutt, 6 to 1, won; Jessie Jarboe, 95, Louden, 20 to 1, second; Henry of Franstamar, 99, J. Miller, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:53.

Fifth race, selling, one mile—Jerry Hunt, 106, Dominick, 5 to 1, won; El Ghor, 105, Lyne, 7 to 1, second; Strangest, 106, Coburn, 4 to 1, third. Time, 1:46.

Sixth race, six furlongs—Sand Flea, 98, W. Waldo, 18 to 5, won; Prowl, 98, J. Miller, 3 to 1, second; James P. Keating, 93, Earle, 20 to 1, third. Time, 1:18½.

McGovern Trains at Cincinnati.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 1.—Terry McGovern will train in this city for his coming fight with Dave Sullivan at Louisville, Feb. 22. Sam Harris, who is in this city today, engaged quarters at Norwood Inn and stated that McGovern would arrive here tomorrow and go into traning at once.