

A LANCASTER BALL PLAYER.



WILLIAM ZACHER, THE CAPTAIN OF THE ALTOONA CLUB.

How His Professional Career Began—First Attracting Notice on the Old "Mountain Boys" Team—His Fine Record Last Year—He is Honest and Reliable.

The above is a good picture of William Zacher, the popular young ball player of this city, and for the cut we are indebted to the Sportsman's Referee and Dramatic Journal of Pittsburgh, which is an excellent base ball paper.

Mr. Zacher was born in Lancaster on August 23, 1862, and is the son of a farmer. He played with the Westchester team for two seasons, and then joined the Altoona club.

He played several games, and it was through his good work that a close game was won by the Ironides from the Newark team late in the year.

He played short stop and led all others in the association with a percentage of 88. He played with the Westchester team in 1886, and won 60 games out of 62 played.

He is a reliable, honest, hardworking player and always goes in to win for his team. He has not only a fine percentage, but is also a good fielder.

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he is going to raise that sum in jail is a mystery. Big Paul Dresser, who played the part of Peter John in "The Two Johns" which appeared here on Tuesday night, is the author of the pretty song "The Later that Never Came."

Edward M. Hall, the banjoist of Haverly's minstrels, is lying severely ill with pneumonia in Kansas City. Prof. Gleason, the horse trainer, is drawing largely in Baltimore.

A theatre party of 130 couples went to see Dusey in "Adonis" at the Chicago, the other night, and not one lady wore a hat.

One hundred and fifty musicians arrived in New York on the steamer Westernland, from Germany, a few days ago. They are non-union men and will seek employment here.

Charles B. Hicks will take a minstrel company, composed of ten to a twelve, to make a success of the Christian theatre, Brooklyn. At present the crowds which are being drawn are the largest ever seen at the house.

It has become quite the fashion for the principals of private schools in New York to be drawn at the perfection in studies a visit to the madras, and the pupils labor hard to gain the prizes of a balcony seat.

This, indeed, is one of the most puzzling problems connected with the ancient land of the Aztecs. We may well ask, with the author of the book before us, "To what miracle it owes its origin that a fragment of the walls of the splendid palace which contained the left standing."

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I HAVE recently been looking through a work that ought to be of interest to all Amur lona. It is Lucien Biari's volume on "The Aztecs: Their History, Manners and Customs," lately published in very handsome style by A. C. McClurg & Co., of Chicago.

It is a good commentary on the latter, and shows with what conscientious accuracy and painstaking care Wallace constructed his novel and painted all its details.

One cannot help being humiliated in reading such a work at the thought of how little we know, and how little we have cared to know, of the past of our country.

While every school boy is drilled in the history of Greece and of Rome, he is scarcely even told the story of the Aztecs, the Incas and the Mayas.

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