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With First Sign of Spring and Baseball, Mr. Constant Reader Again Wishes to Lamp Famous

Poem in Print

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It's Coming!

Once upon a midnight dreary (This is all I'll nip from Poe), While I pondered in my cerie Little Harlem bungalow, Came a hunch that whispered to me, "Spring, old kick, is drawing near"And I heard the cchoes woo me With the chorus of a cheer.

As I opened an epistle Written to me in a scratcl, I could hear the bluebirds whistle And the thud of bat and ball; Of all harbingers the leader Like a May breeze through the flat—

"To oblige a Constant Reader, Publish 'Casey at the Bat.'

Another Briton

DEAR SIR-I notice that H. H. L. infers that Bob Fitzsimmons was the greatest heavyweight England ever sent forth. No one can or will deny but that Fitz was a great fighter-but your correspondent has overlooked one the greatest fighters that England ever produced since the palmy days of Jem Mace, and that was the late Charlie Mitchell, a man who was clever, who W. H. F. rould hit and who was game to the core,

The Sensitive Soul in Sport

THE more or less sensitive soul in sport, whose name or whose institution is I scheduled for passing comment, has no soft time of it. Neither does the You can praise an athlete thirty-seven consecutive days, and then one day

criticism upsets all the pleasant effects accrued from the praise. The alumni and undergraduates of universities and colleges are especially susceptible. We have had a letter from one graduate thanking us for kind ention, and in the same mail another from a graduate of the same instituion denouncing our unfair attitude toward his alma mater.

ND so it goes. But it is all natural and all human, and there is no

The College Letter

HE college letter is something worth earning. But we could never see just why it should be quite so exclusive.

It is now given in general for football, baseball, rowing and track. It should also be given to any man who can make his tennis or golf team, and if boxing is made an intercollegiate sport, to this entry likewise. Tennis and golf are now two of the major sports of the world. Together they are played by something like 3,000,000 Americans.

The man who can make his university team for an intercollegiate tennis

or golf match is entitled to the letter award. A movement is supposed to be under way to increase the collegiate participation in all varieties of sport-to get as many students as possible interested in

one game or another.

Just what the idea may be in refusing recognition to those who take up one of the few world-wide competitions is a trifle out of our reach.

THERE may be a correct answer, but we have never seen one given yet.

So Did He

While standing on the fifteenth tee My rival spoke these words to me, Just as I sliced into a trap—
"I'm sorry, sir; tough luck, old chap."
To speak sincerely well he tried,
But, oh, how well I knew he lied.

SCRAPS ABOUT SCRAPPERS

adelphia favorite is suffering with a steephla favorite is suffering with a severe cold in his eyes, and because of this Adam Ryan was forced to cancel Marph's hout tonight at the Olympia Cith with Johnsy Drummie. The Johnny Martia is kicking up a lot of rain with his terrific kick. He has scored a number of everoned knockouts. The fall of a double wind-up with Willie Jackson meeting Peter Hartley in the other feature fracas. In Murphy's place Matchmaker Jack Hanion has picked Georgie Reynolds. of March 1988. Georgie Reynolds, of Manayunk, to

et Drummie. Reynolds is a clever over and he hits good, too. Drummie till have no cinch with Reynolds. The avison-Hartley bout also should be altresting. Both punch hard and all outs of action should ensue.

som's early advantage in his a security of the Mational Sat-estitled the former to a vice a great rally by the Language of last two rounds, Joe Welsh wild contest, but a knockdown oner Joe Borrell earned for stage whade.

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JIMMY MURPHY will be unable to do find the work of the

Jack Silverman predicts a successful ca-eer for Jack Prancis in the ring. The corner is connected with his brother Billy silverman, in staging bouts at the Audi-

Mike Dundee, a New York bantam, is in Philadeiphia after a recent trip through the Middle West. He is after bouts here with Patsy Wallace, Battling Murray and Bat-tling Levnard.

Joe Tiplitz will meet Ralph Brady in Syra-

Himmy Mende, who has been bexing in good form in Baltimere, is a promising drainedelphia youth, says Pop O'Brien. Mende weight 118 pounds, aft O'Brien. thinks he can give any one his boundage a tough tussie.

Tommy Buck is preparing for a return appearance here. Moe Greenbaum has Buck in tow now, and Tommy will appear in one of the bouts at the National Saturday night

Herman Hindin is out with the moth-eaten "beaten to-the-wire" cry. He says reports that Alientown Dundee defeated Joe Jackson in Alientown isst week were false, and shows clippings where the Philadelphian was the victor.

Boxing has been resumed at Chester, Last week, Harry Pierce defeated Lew Dorsey, fluitiling Losh wan from Eddie Hunter, Al Burgy stopped Tommy Moran, first, Harry Waddell beat Joe Steak, Young Mendoza knocked cut Johnny Clark, first, and Young Ford cutfought Johnny Sill.

"Blink" McCloshey, who was stopped by learges Carpentier in two rounds at Bor-saux. Prance, Saturday, in a Philadelphia over. "Blink" has been in France for a under of years.

KEARNS OBJECTS

Says Tia Juana Is Not Proper Spot for Dempsey-Carpentier Battle

Los Angeles, Calif., Jan. 12.—Jack Kearns, manager for Jack Dempsey, sees little chance for holding the Dempsey-Carpentier fight at Tia Juana, Mexico. He believes it must go abroad. "I can't see a chance in the world of holding the fight at Tia Juana," said Kearns. "Until I, went to San Diego last week I thought there was a possibility of holding the bout there, but after going over the ground personally I came to the conclusion that Lower California is not the proper site." California is not the proper site.

San Diego, Calif., Jan. 12.-James Coffroth, who has been proceeding the belief that his bid of \$400,000 or a world's championship fight be tween Dempsey and Carpentier virtu-ally had been accepted, says he was unable to explain the announcement of

The things are immortal. Stray calls still come in to republish the epic of the fanous sugger who paddled the come in a pinch where ten pears age these calls cluttered up the daily mail. A new generation is coming to show "the mighty Casey" will be something less than a myth.

One Place at a Time

Now that Pat Moran'has lifted the sable spell above Cincinnati, it remains in the cleveland Indians, Washington and the two St. Louis cluttered up the clay between twenty and forty years without Parking cancel the land the same tirele in behalf of the New York Yankees, the Ciceviand Indians, Washington and the two St. Louis cluttered up the same time.

Patt, heaving cracked the hoodoo at Philadelphia and Cincinnati, has completed his share. Plus 33 per cent.

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Johnson at thirty-sween.

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Penn will enter three crews in the regatta throughkeepsie. John A. Brown, the Nestor Penn's rowing, favors a resumption of the Poughkeepsie regatta with the doors open of all craws, Penn, with two years of accessive triumphs over Yale, again will steh blades with the Ell naramen on the shunkfull fivor on April 2. Yale has always wed Penn close races, but since 1916 the als watermen have been heaten by the Bednid Blue. The Childs cup race, among Penn, rinceton and Columbia, may be gived on rinceton and Columbia, may be gived on

Hornsby Signs With St. Louis St. Louis, Jan. 12 - Hogers Hornsby. The Louis Jan. 12 - Hogers Hornshy, recornized as one of the greatest infelders in the National League, siened a contract for three years with the St. Louis Cardinals yesterday. Hornshy will receive \$25,000 for the three years, which is a fraction over \$8333 a season.

Caddock-Stecher Match New York, Jan. 12.—Jack Curley yesterday unnounced that Joe Stocher and Earl Cad-lock will wrestle at Madison Square Garden on or about January 30.

Amateur Sports

Stenton Club would like to hear from first class teams, either at home or away. Jacob Betz, 4457 North Seventeenth street. St. Andrews wants to book games with rat-class fives having halls and offering fair parantees Harry Krusch, 2540 South

Kensington All Star Five wishes to bee rames for the menth of January with first class teams either in or out of town. Wal ter Bancroft, 3617 Frankford avenue.

The Covenant Five, of the Germantov Church League second team, would like book games with first-class fives during th week, Harry J. Ferguson, 6052 North Twe-ty-first street.

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Progressive Cadets, a second-class travel-ing five, desirés to book games with teams of that class having halfs and offering sulf-able guarantees. Joseph Alter, 3714 Brown street. Clover Club, second team, would like to arrange sames with second-class fives offering fair guarantees. R. W. Brown, 6125 Morros atreet, Germantown,

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MAY GO TO EUROPE BENNY HAS WALLOP

By LOUIS H. JAFFE

TEN thousand dollars is the bait I gently dangling in the pugilistic sea or Johnny Kilbane. And the champion is nibbling at it—gently. Dave Driscoll, of Jersey City, has made this young fortune offer to J. Patrick for an eightround bout. Benny Valger is to be the party of the second part. And Kilbane has announced his willingness to accept the match.

But, Valger is not ready to say the word. Benny is perfectly satisfied to meet Kilbane—all right, and for such a bout the persistent challenger of the featherweight titleholder has agreed to accept 20 per cent of the gate receipts. However, Joe Jacobs, twenty-three-old manager of Valger, decided not to take the match for January 19, on which date Driscoll wanted to put on the battle.

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he is. If he succeeds in winning de-cisively from Brock there will be no doubt that he is entitled to hox for the

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