

Western Pennsylvania Baseball League Organized.

SIX GOOD CLUBS SELECTED.

A Plain Statement About the Indianapolis Club Case.

MR. BRUSH AFFIRMS THE FRANCHISE.

Another Big Offer for the Sullivan-Kilrain Battle.

GENERAL SPORTING NEWS OF THE DAY.

During the last few weeks it has been stated in the papers that the prospects of what is called amateur baseball playing in Western Pennsylvania never better than they are for next season.

AL Pratt, probably one of the busiest men in the State in promoting the teams as clubs of youngsters, visited the city yesterday morning, and made some very interesting news concerning the Western Pennsylvania Baseball League.

He met the leading officials of that organization, and during long conversations he has to have a better baseball organization entirely content to itself than it ever had.

FRAT'S POINTERS.

"Depend upon it the Western Pennsylvania League has extremely good prospects. The league has elected Charles H. Wakefield, of Latrobe, President. He is a prominent insurance man, and a very successful business man.

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DENNY IS A VETERAN.

"Mr. Denny used to catch for me in 1873 and '74 when I was pitching, and I have a reason to be interested in that genuine patron of the game. I wish him good luck. He is a veteran."

AT LIVE PIGEONS.

Mr. Dick Eastly Defeats Mr. Tappan at Johnston.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. JOHNSTON, Pa., January 24.—About 200 persons took part in a pigeon match this afternoon between Charles L. Dick, of this city, and W. F. Tappan, of Altoona, under Hurlingham rules.

WONT FIGHT DOMINICK.

The Pittsburgher Fails to Secure a Match Among the Giants.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. NEW YORK, January 24.—Dominick McCaffrey and Ed Bradford have been in this city a few days trying to arrange a match with one of the players of the New York Giants.

Arranged With Toronto.

Manager Phillips yesterday concluded talks with the Toronto club to play here on April 17 and 18.

Spouting Notes.

Our man O'Connor now in Frisco. We may make our minds up that it is still Indianapolis.

An extensive cocking man is going on at Chillicothe.

The authorities of the local race tracks don't like the new pool bill.

Want to Play on Sunday.

TRENTON, N. J., January 24.—Assemblyman Feeley, of the Seventh (or Horshoever) district of Hudson county, has introduced a bill of law, which has the distinction of representing a constituency which contains a thousand or so of adherents of the sport who are just as enthusiastic over it as he is.

Wheeler's Bulletin.

COLUMBUS, O., January 24.—Wheeler Wilcox, Secretary of the American Association, has issued the following bulletin of contracts for 1899.

COMING ALL RIGHT.

President Brush and Others Apply for the Indianapolis Club Franchise.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. INDIANAPOLIS, January 24.—There is no lack of would-be purchasers for the franchise of the Indianapolis club. All the gentlemen who have made overtures to the former local League have been directed to apply to the management.

THE RED, WHITE AND BLUE IN FASHION.

And Next Year an All-Australian Team Will Return the Boy's Visit.

The trip of American baseball players to Australia has been a good card for Uncle Sam, but the expenses have been so large that Mr. Spalding has made nothing in his venture.

MINISTER PENDLETON REPORTS.

He Sends an Official Extract, Together With Some Newspaper Extracts.

WASHINGTON, January 24.—Dispatches have been received at the State Department from Mr. Pendleton, the American Minister at Berlin in regard to the Samoan question.

THE ARRIVAL AT AUCKLAND.

The triumph began at the beginning in Auckland. We were to have arrived there on Saturday, December 8.

NEW MEASURES.

Introduced in the Senate and House by State Legislators Yesterday.

HARRISBURG, January 24.—Among the bills presented in the Senate today were the following:

A MISLEADING IDEA ABOUT FREELING SOME PEOPLE OUT.

There was considerable comment among local special sporting people yesterday regarding the new pool bill introduced in yesterday's DISPATCH.

JOE RIDGE ARRESTED.

His Backers Say It is a Scheme of His Opponents.

Local sporting people were somewhat surprised yesterday by the arrest of Joe Ridge, who was charged with receiving stolen goods.

PHILADELPHIA, January 24.—Application for the incorporation of the Inquirer Publishing Company was filed this afternoon in the office of the Recorder of Deeds.

THE NEXT LADY OF THE WHITE HOUSE IS STOPPING AT THE GILSEY.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. NEW YORK, January 24.—Mrs. Benjamin Harrison, the wife of the President-elect, reached Jersey City at 6:52 o'clock tonight on the Chicago limited.

AN OIL CAN EXPLODES.

Two Small Boys Perish in the Fierce Blaze.

MILWAUKEE, January 24.—By the explosion of a large oil can at night at the Belvidere Block on Grand avenue, the most fashionable flat building in the city, John Clements, aged 12, was burned to death.

AN EARLY MORNING FIRE.

Flames Doing Great Damage at Jackson and Not Under Control.

JACKSON, Miss., January 25.—A fire broke out about 12:20 this morning in the principal business part of town.

Arizona's Capital to be Moved.

PRESCOTT, Ariz., January 24.—A bill to remove the capital of Arizona from Prescott to Phoenix passed the House today by a vote of 14 to 10.

ONE TIERED LITTLE JOKE.

The best thing that was said of the game in Sydney was by 'Larrakin' at the station, as we were leaving Melbourne.

NO A DOLLAR IN IT.

The Australian Baseball Trip Wasn't a Great Financial Success.

Melbourne is different. It is the middle of winter here, and the Australians are not in the mood to spend money on a baseball team.

MORE GLORY MADE THAN BOODLE.

A Love for the Game and Respect for Its Founders Firmly Imbedded.

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BLAINE AND PLATT.

Believed in Indianapolis to be the Only Necessary Twin Keys to the New Cabinet Situation.

Friends of Both Gentlemen Accused of Trying to Force Harrison to Settle Their Doubts and Fears.

The President-Elect Said to Want an Excuse to Sash and Blat and Blat.

Fever heat seems to have been reached in Indianapolis over the Cabinet uncertainties.

Blaine and the New York muddle are yet believed to be the stumbling blocks in General Harrison's way.

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