Reasons Why Criticism Benefits All Kinds of Sports.

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just about to dawn, and, indeed, things are it is not a very easy task to lay hands on matters of sufficient importance and interest to deal with in this weekly budget. However, be said with interest. I refer to the public criticisms of sporting events. There is no doubt whatever that criticism is becoming more prevalent every week. Of course I make a distinction between a mere weekly resume of the week's doings and a review that mentions leading events and takes a definite and clear side on everything or anything mentioned in the review. There is really a wide difference, and for my part I have never on able to see the worth of a weekly resume in a daily paper entirely devoid of comment. And it may be said that a review minus any definite opinion at all, is almost as worthless. To recapitulate a fact without adding anything to it, may be called a waste of time and space.

The object of the sporting reviews in THE DISPATCH is to comment and criticise fairly and fearlessly. It takes nerve, however, to do this, and numerous able writers throughout the country can testify to this fact. To find fault with any contest, particularly of an thletic kind, means that one may be prepared to be dubbed a robber, a liar and a scoundrel; out if praise is lavished on the most barefaced windle, nothing toe good and flattering can be said of the man who praises. This condition of things has always existed, no doubt, but the osulting epithets hurled at fair criticism seem o be more numerous now than formerly. However, the right to examine and comment freely in each passing event will, by and by, be freely dmitted by all concerned, and when that time somes depend upon it things will be better for he sporting world and for the general public.

It is interesting to note that the sports which lourish most are those that are most freely citicised. Take baseball for instance. It is mpossible to lay one's finger on anything that s put through such an analytical test as basesall. Everyday somebody is being criticised ad if fraud is in the slightest way insinuated he most searching investigation follows. What maintain is that public criticism of a fearless ind has had as much to do with the remarkble popularity of baseball as any other ele-It may have had more because it has its absence would certainly not have assisted with its hands of it. Public criticism is a nd imposition. The truth of this is so wast nat it is not confined to baseball, but we can ad its effects in the histories of empires and mmunities.

On the other hand almost every sport that as of recent years died, or almost entirely disspeared, because of popular disfavor would are been to the fore to-day had their been a meral desire to lay bare all the facts of trickwas soon as they were discovered. The very sire to smolder these unpleasant facts, how-er, killed the entire business, because the time movers of the affairs were prompted om one success to another with impunity at honest contests really degenerated into the oat crocked transactions. So much was this secase that general branches of sport be-me so had that the public turned its lack on me so bad that the public turned its back on em. Public criticism would have checked all is. After all there is much truth in the say-that a man is not necessarily your enemy

that a man is not fault. Not long ago I had forwarded to me a cutting om a Western sporting paper. The cutting as a column in length, and at the top the ader was given to understand that what folwed was from the pen, or it may have been meil, of Harry M. Johnson. Mr. Johnson, 1 ay remark, has made himself famous as a rinter, probably more so than as a writer. erner, processly more so than as a writer, cell, in his column he went on to say that eorge Smith, the sprinter of this city, had st returned from the West (Smith was really England then), and that he had won lots of oncy by "jobbing." Mr. Johnson then went to give advice, and even went so far as to vitat it was such like people as Smith who it ruined professional sorphing. Oh yes ruined professional sprinting, Oh, yes, Johnson really wrote this. He is the e Johnson who, with Davis and ris, organized what is, or was sel, the Professional Sprinters' Proive Association, and he is the same

on who last week was accused of bei rate in a fraudulent race with Day is is the man who accused and lectured sorge Smith. On the other hand not long ago, private conversation with me, Kettleman me that Smith undoubtedly was the most id me that Smith undoubtedly was the most nest fellow that ever went on the cinder th. What I want to add is this: The reason y Smith was so long doing nothing was engly because of his honesty and that of his ekers. Probably George Smith has behind a some of the most honorable men in America I know them personally. In every induce they wanted the money up and as a relit the other parties would have none of it. t the other parties would have none of it orge Smith certainly could be as busy in nerica as Bethune, Kettleman, Davis and buson had be a desire to emulate them, hy should we wonder at the decline of an eresting sport when such a thing as the Pro-sional Sprinters' Protective Association

sts or was ever thought of? rank Van Ness' visit to the city this week of more importance than was generally gined. The interview with him published his paper really contained one or two stateats at least worthy the attention of trotting pacing horse owners. He came here to thoroughbred horses with the intention of mately devoting all of his time to the ners. He made the statement that there is e money in therunners than in the trotters, certainly if anybody is in a position to certainly if anybody is in a position to ik with authority on this matter Van Ness In making this statement he only bears out a other practical men like George Forbes e already said. The question suggested by remarks and intentions of Mr. Van Ness is, ever, are running races going to supplant ting meetings almost critirely? This is an query, no doubt, but when men like Van s begin to leave the trotting ranks it would a that the runners are more profitable than trotters. Of course there are elements secued with the ownership of trotting se that will always keep them before the lic as racers; but whether or not they will stain their present popularity for any great th of time is another matter. I think they and the fact that every year finds them and the fact that every year finds them

e numerous, stakes and purses bigger, seems ave no doubt about the matter. e proposed battle between Kilrain and g day, that is to those who have been cont that a battle between these men would
place. I have always had my doubts
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gray and that ex-Captain Stewart, of Yale,
will play second base in the same team. wan becomes more and more of a riddle will play second base in the same team.

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Smith has challenged Kilrain, he latter has agreed, or at least stated, he will fight Smith under any conditions, most surprising statement of Kilrain, how is that he will fight Smith before he rights van. Of course he means to be back to crea in time to carry out the requirements he articles of agreement between himself sullivan. Now if this does not mean that ght at all will take place between Kilrain the property of the same team.

Smith-Kilrain Articles Signed.

London, February 9.—Articles have been signed for a fight between Jem Smith and Jake Kilrain, according to the London prize ring rules, for £1,000 a side. The fight has been fixed for October, but the ground has not yet been chosen. Mitchell has made arrangements to box Smith ten rounds with small gloves.

and Sullivan I don't know what it does mean. and Sullivan I don't know what it does mean. I have before argued that the Kilrain-Sullivan articles are worthless. Either man can easily find a way to avoid fighting if he wants to, even at the last moment. Kilrain's readiness to go Europe to fight Smith before he, Kilrain, fights Sullivan, seems to indicate that all parties concerned have an idea of the laxity of the articles. Altogether the proposed battle be-tween Kilrain and Sullivan looks more uncer-

It is likely that Kilrain and Smith may have another encounter. Kilrain's last venture across the Atlantic was a successful one. He has also a big following in England and he has met Smith before. Their previous battle, however, counts for nothing now. The only opinion that exists is that it was a burlesque. It may be, however, that should the men meet may be, however, that should the men meet again there will be more earnestness in the cacounter, and should the battle be fought on its merits it would be difficult to say who would win. Kilrain certainly showed in their last it ht that he is a better puglist than the Englishmen gave him credit for. There was nothing in the battle however, that went to prove whether or not Kilrain is a stayer amid heavy punishment. Many good judges think he is not, and if this is so he will likely be beaten by more men than Smith. eaten by more men than Smith.

There have been many reasons assigned for the ungenerous treatment that Mitchell and Kilram lately received from portions of the American public. The latest, however, is somewhat original and worthy of note because Readers of sporting news do not need to be told that sporting events have been exceedingly scarce. There is an old saying to the effect that dark is the hour before the dawn, and this old proverb has some bearing on sporting matters. The busy season, it is expected to be the busiest we have had, is just about to dawn, and, indeed, things are just about to dawn, and, indeed, things are dark and quiet now. It is some time since there was such a lull in sporting affairs and it is not a very easy task to lay hands on mathematical and Kilrain started."

I quote the above because it comes from probably the greatest and most reliable sport there is one thing on which a few words can | ing authority in England. I also quote it be cause it seems that for once Pendragon has either been misinformed or has misrepresented the facts of the case. I think the former has the facts of the case. I think the former has been the case. That there is such a deep-rooted hatred among the American-Irish against anything and everything Euglish may or may not be true. It is not within my province to argue that question; but I do argue the mere question of nationality was not the cause of Mitchell's unpleasant reception here. I pointed this out some time ago. It was his noise, together with the noise of Kilrain, Sullivan and others. They abused each other through certain papers in a remarkable degree through certain papers in a remarkable degree tirely for the purpose of advertising them-ives previously to going "on the road." As a sult they advertised themselves too well by result they advertised themselves too well by calling each other cowards, monkeys, liars, etc. The passions of the gallery patrons of the various vaudeville halls were aroused whenever any of the pugilists named appeared. This caused the veto of public boxing in many places, and where Mitchell's appearance was prohibited so was that of any other pugilist.

If Irish hatred of men and things English was so strong in America as Pendragon has been led to believe, English artists of all classes led to believe, English artists of all classes would certainly not be so popular. English singers, actors and actresses nightly appear all over the country amid unanimous applause. English athletes are general favorites. If any of these persons just referred to were to land in the country with the public remark that he was better than anybody in America and that everybody in the business here was a blowhard, it is not likely that he would be tendered an enjoyable reception. Mitchell landed here in that spirit last time.

About the only pugllistic event of the week worthy of notice is the 15-round contest be-tween Joe Lannon and George Godfey, the colored fighter. It is worth a word or two, be-cause of what Lannon did not do. He failed to defeat Godfrey, who was easily defeated by Peter Jackson some time ago. I was not disappointed about the result, because I have never had a very high opinion of Lannou's pugilistic abilities. When other people were arguing that he was the unknown who was to fight Kilrain, I argued the contrary, and I think the encounter with Godfrey settles entirely any pretensions he or his friends may have had about first class honors.

Before next Sunday arrives we will know the reated a confidence in the public mind that result of the Myers-McAuliffe battle if all goes well. The general expectation is that the contall. Were it to become the business of base- test will be a great one. It is East against all writers to bestow nothing but praise on very basebail event, whether such events were add, bad or indifferent, most assuredly base.

West, and besides a very large amount of money, the light weight championship title is at stake. The latest advices from the West state that the betting is even, and that both I would become so questionable in many state that the betting is even, and that both men are in good condition. These facts seem to make the result extremely problem. make the result extremely problematical.

However, I'm not afraid to bazard an opinion on the matter. If McAuliffe is in good condi-However, I'm not alraid to hazard an opinion on the matter. If McAuliffe is in good condition, I think he will win. He will have a hard task, no doubt, but his experience, pluck, heavy hitting powers, and activity will give him considerable advantage over Myers. It is likely that the contest will be somewhat of the slugging kind. If it is, McAuliffe can stand anyuishment probably lenger than Myers will punishment probably longer than Myers will.

The officials of the local club are not remaining idle. They are, indeed, building up the fences with remarkable vigor, and if we have not a first-class team next year it won't be because no efforts have been made to have one. cause no efforts have been made to have one. It seems to be certain that Rowe will not play here, but the local officials have been alive to this result. They have secured a promising young short from Ohio, R. W. Allen. He comes here chiefly on the recommendation of Captain Duniap, and the idea is to try and develop him into a first-class man. The benefits of a plan like this were pointed out by this paper a few days ago, and it is now expected that the plan is one of the best. Manager Phillips has, indeed, done a wise thing in signing Lauer, Garfield and Allen. There is much of the nature of a lottery about young in signing Lauer, Garfield and Allen. There is much of the nature of a lottery about young ball players. Twenty may be signed and all turn out blanks, and the twenty-first may develop into the greatest player in the country. Of course it is possible that not one of the three young men named may turn out good men. If they don't, Manager Phillips will be none the worse for having tried them. If one of them becomes a first-class man, I'm certain the officials will be satisfied. One good feature is that all three are ambitions young fellows. is that all three are ambitious young fellows, and are eager to improve in their business.

During the last day or two a report has been in circulation which cannot possibly have a good effect on the prospects of the local club. I refer to the report to the effect that there is a desire on the part of a clique to not give Lauer a "fair show." Whoever or whatever may have prompted such a ridiculous and false story is no friend of the local club. Who is there in the club that would treat Lauer unfairly! Manager Phillips is "boss of the shop" in that respect, and common sense would tell us that the very last thing he would think of doing or allowing others to do, would be to prevent, the development of a roung player. Why, he has almost more to gain than anybody else in signing a young player and making him a first-class man. But it is not necessary to discuss such questions. The great hope is that the baseball public will give no credence at all to such dimesy little stories that can only be found. refer to the report to the effect that there is a questions. The great hope is that the baseball public will give no credence at all to such flimsy little stories that can only be found

It is likely that when John M. Ward returns there will be a lively time between the Broth-erhood of Players and the League. There are many important questions to discuss, but pro-bably the most important will be the question of permanent reservation of a player by the League. Rowe will bring this case up. He and White claim that after not playing for a year their reservation with the Detroit Club will expire and that they will then be free to play anywhere. The League, however, claims that they will always be reserved by the League. This is a very important que-tion, and on general principles Rowe has the best of the argument. If in the ordinary businesses of life a young man employed by one firm invested his money in another, and wanted from lovested his money in another, and wanted to work there, but was compelled to remain with his first employer for a lifetime, the com-munity would rebel. The desire to hold Rowe and White to the League, although their life's savings are invested in the Buffalo club, is a similar case. PRINGLE.

Was Mike Snubbed? Boston, February 2.-Mike Kelly advertised his recent visit to this city by saying that he was coming here to have an interview with the Boston Directors, and have the matter of the captaincy of next year's team settled. Well, he came, saw at least two of the three directors, made no mention of the captaincy of Boston's he came, saw at least two of the three directors, made no mention of the captaincy of Boston's team for 1839, and returned to New York no wiser than he came. All three of the directors repudiate Kelly's statements made in an in-erview with him published Wednesday morn-ing.

og. Cudworth called on the Secretary of the late

ures-A Reply to Mr. Marshall. To the Sporting Editor of The Dispatch: In one of the morning dailles some days ago I read an interview between its representative and Thomas M. Marshall, Jr., wherein the said Thomas M. aired his views on the question of permitting the selling of pools upon race tracks and the grounds of driving park associations A bill having been introduced into the Legisla ture to permit poolselling at such places only, Mr. Marshall expressed his opposition to it, and said that poolselling did inure to the advantage financially of such track associations; that race track associations were conducted prosperously without it, and he cited as an instance the Franklin track

ABOUT POOLSELLING.

Pair Associations Become Financial Fail-

(of Franklin, Pa.) under the management of Messrs, Miller & Sibley. It may not be import ant to enlighten Mr. Marshall on that matter ant to enlighten Mr. Marshall on that matter, but fearing that others, who are interested in races, may have been mislead by his statement. I write to give the truth in regard to the Frank-lin track and refer him to an article published in the Oil City Weekly Derrick, February 7, wherein it states that the Franklin Driving Park Association is about \$5,000 in debt. Which I say is undoubtedly caused by not allowing pool selling. To further support this position I will cite you the Jefferson County Agricultural and Driving Park Association, whose grounds are situated in Brookville, Pa.

THE JEFFERSON COUNTY BACES. This association has been in existence fo thousand dollars, which I say is the result of on-poolselling. We had at first some of the best horses in the State attend our fairs, but owing to non-poolselling they always refuse to come back. The horsemen all say that if the association will allow poolselling they will return to our fairs, but otherwise cannot affort to attend them. Horse racing is the life of the

to attend them. Horse racing is the life of the country fair, and poolselling gives zest and maintains interest in the races.

People do not go to see a big pumpkin, a double-headed cabbage or an over-grown calf. Even the granger, who brings the pumpkin, cabbage or calf, be he saint or sinner, will at the tap of the bell elbow his way through the crowd to the fence around the track. It is the race that keeps alive the interest in the fair.

the tap of the bell elbow his way through the crowd to the fence around the track. It is the race that keeps alive the interest in the fair. It is the race horse which is a thing of beauty, the trotter becomes the model and standard. Everybody breeds to produce the tro: to and becomes ambitious to breed fine blooded stock of every kind. It there were no racing there would be no fine bred horses to day. A horse would be a horse, just as a mule is a mule,—the name of a class or species, with no individuals and separate families of noble blood and wonderful performance.

Take the history of the average country fair—one is the history of all, First year, a big boom, big purses, good races, lors of people, lots of money and bright visions of future prosperity. Next year, not so good; next year, in debt, and so on from year to year it goes down hill and the debt piles up, until at last "close the shutters. Willie's dead." That is the experience at Brookville, Punxsutawney, Clearfield and all other towns. And why? The people lose interest because the races are a failure, set-up jobs, fixed races, poor starving purses, fourth rate or broken down horses and ringers. PUMPKINS WON'T DO.

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All the pumpkins in the world won't keep it up, for the granger will not bring his pumpkins if there be no races. And why are the races a failure? Because poolselling is prohibited. Hence they cannot afford big purses, have not the money to bring good first-class horses, there is no inducement for the owner to trot a good horse, and so the whole thing is left to dunghills. If poolselling were allowed upon the grounds, under proper restrictions, the horsemen would return, interest in the races would be renewed, better and finer horses would come to compete for large and paying purses, the people would come in flocks, and crowd and trample each other and break down the fences in their geagerness to see "real races," races for blood between horses of noble blood and breeding, and then the grangers will come in force and fill the buildings with his pumpkins, cablage and squash, and fill the stalls with cattle and sheep, and prosperity pumpkins, cabbage and squash, and fill the stalls with cattle and sheep, and prosperity will hover over the treasurer's box. Public peolrooms may go. What we want is the privilege of selling pools on our own private grounds during our races. Therefore, I say emphatically, that no racing association can prosper financially unless they allow poolselling, and hope all horsemen will support the bill now before the Legislature. W. J. Johns. Brookville, PA., February 8, 1889.

A BIG RACE.

Harry Davis' Go-as-You-Please Conte

Takes Place in April. Manager Harry Davis, of the London Theater, has begun in earnest to make arrangements, for the six-day go-as-you-please pedestrian contest, which will take place in this city. He has resolved to have the race during the the first week in April. A letter received from George D. Noremac yesterday stated that if the race takes place during the week named all the leading pedestrians in the country will

Mr. Davis offers 50 per cent of general admis-Mr. Davis offers 50 per cent of general admissions and 25 per cent of the reserved seats to the contestants, and he guarantees the first prize will not be less than \$1,000. This is a bold and a new departure, because heretofore the Madison Square Garden management has only allowed 50 per cent of the general admission. The race will be straight away, that is night and day. Noremac says in his letter that every professional pedestrian in America is willing to come to Pitteburg, knowing that what is promised will be given in the way of prizes and treatment. The race will take place in the Central Rink.

On a Solid Basis. Fred Goodwyn, Secretary of the proposed natatorium, is going ahead like a house on fire with the great project. More than half the

capital stock has been subscribed, and a plan of family tickets promises to make the venture doubly certain. These tickets, \$50 each, will admit an entire family for a year, no matter how numerous the family, to all the privileges and benefits of the establishment. Already 100 persons have given their names as subscribers to these teckets. to these tickets. Mr. Goodwyn figures that a sufficient number of \$50 tickets will be sold to pay the working expenses of the natatorium for the first year.

Old Jack Will Fight.

There is another sensational dog fight arranged, but local agents of humane societies, etc., need not trouble themselves because, ac-cording to the articles of agreement, it will not take place in this State. The great feature of take place in this State. The great feature of the match is that old Napoleon Jack, of the Southside, is to fight an imported white and brindle dog. Old "Nap" is known from Maine to California, and he has been brought out again to tackle the foreigner for \$500 a side. The battle will take place on March 25, at a point 200 miles outside the State line. A lot of local money is already bet on the result.

About on Injured Pacer.

CHICAGO, February 9 .- John Herby, the owner of the famous pacer, U Bet, began suit in the Superior Court to-day against the Misin the Superior Court to-day against the Mis-souri Pacrific Railway Company for \$5,000. The horse was on a Missouri Pacific train that was wrecked in Texas, near the Indian Territory line, and in the accident was injured. It is not known that the injuries will permanently dis-able the borse, which his owner claims is the tastest in the world, but the injuries least severe.

Murphy and Weir Matched. Boston, February 9.-Frank Murphy, Birmingham, England, and Ike Weir, of Boston, were matched to-day to fight 25 rounds in Boston for superiority, on or about March 8, for \$1,000 divided, \$800 to winner \$200 to loser; winner to become the holder of Police Gazette feather-weight championship badge.

Ben Harrison Benten. NEWBURG, N. Y., February 9.—The prizes at the dog show were awarded last night. Rex and Wanda, two mastiffs owned by Vice Presi-dent-elect Morton, were awarded the first and special premiums in their class. Lady Harri-son won a prize, but Ben Harrison failed to

Parker Leaves Erie.

PEPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR 1 ERIE, February 9 .- Harry Parker, the lightweight wrestler who inaugurated the wrestling craze in Eric, has gone back to Batavia, N. Y. to go into business with his brother. Thomas Connors is about to take up his residence here.

A Show of Business. LONDON, February 9.-There is some show of business about the Smith-Kilrain challenge. Mitchell and Fleming, on behalf of the two pugllists, meet next week to discuss the pre-

the team next season may be made up as fol-lows: Messrs. H. Penn. Alex. MacPherson, W. Pyatt, A. Burrows, F. C. Carnegie, Tom Earle, J. L. Schwartz, F. N. Schwartz, D. Buchan-nan, J. F. Horne and J. Hendee. A Brookville Writer Makes a Few Points in Favor of It-He Shows Why Country

ABOUT ICE SKATING.

An Anthority Points Out Why it Has Declined in Pittsburg. Too little time and space has been given to this grand and exhilarating pastime in the

sporting columns of our daily papers.

To anyone who really appreciates outdoor exercise and has never experienced the delightful feeling of gliding over smooth surface of the ice on a pair of good steel runners, i may be well said that he has indeed missed onehalf of his life. The lovers of ice skating in the vicinity of Pittsburg have had very little opportunity to gratify their desires in that direction for quite

Some years ago, however, skating was very opular. There were several first-class ice risks, fitted up with all the modern appliances for comfort, and the pastime was quite a feature in the winter amusements, and promised to become quite a fixture in the Smoky City, but, alas for the ice skater's fond expectations, he

alas for the ice skater's fond expectations, he was doomed to disappointment.

Owing to the uncertainty of the of old Prob. and the absolute refusal on the part of gentlemen to come to terms with the owners of the ice rinks, the difficulty of obtaining a central or suitable location without absolutely buying the ground, the high rate which the city charged for water flooding the rinks, and last, but not least, the fickleness of the public, who in this case, as in many other instances, went but not least, the fickleness of the public, who in this case, as in many other instances, went off on some new hobby just as everything had been prepared for a successful scason of ice skating, one of the noblest sports ever invented went out of existence and became a memory of the past in our dear old Pittsburg.

The gentlemen who were interested in rinks retired from the arena with heavy hearts, lighter pockets and all experience which would only prove useful to them when they would be

lighter pockets and all experience which would only prove useful to them when they would be called on in later years.

Silver Lake is a body of water of about six acres, situated in a beautiful valley, with all the natural advantages, protected from the cold winter winds on the north, east and south by bigh hills, and fed by several very strong springs from the surrounding hillsides. This lake, although well known to the youths, young men and young ladies of the East End. has been comparatively unheard of by the majority of the lovers of ice skating. Why, even the writer, who has been a devotee of the sport for years and has resided within four miles of the lake all his life, never heard of its existence until one winter night he happened existence until one winter night he happened to come across it in his rambles looking for a good piece of ice, and he will never lorget his first night's experience on Silver Lake. PAMON.

A STRANGE STORY.

Louisville Reported to Have Bargained for Harry Staley the Pitcher.

ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 LOUISVILLE, February 9.-It transpired today that the League pitcher which President Davidson had in view was Harry Staley, the twirler of the Pittsburg club. Negotiations have been going on between the Louisville Presdeut and Manager Phillips for several weeks past, and may result in the transfer of Staley to the Louisville clnb. While the two baseball magnates have come to no definite terms the deal has been drawing nearer to a close each day. When the Louisville club asked the different Association clubs to waive claim to Hecker it was intended that he should be traded for Staley could a satisfactory arrangement be made with the Pittsburg team. Mr. Davidson said:

"Yes Studey is the witcher that Lamafter."

ment be made with the Pittsburg team. Mr. Davidson said:

"Yes, Staley is the pitcher that I am after, and I may secure him. While I still consider Hecker a good man, I believe from what I hear that Staley would make the Louisville club a valuable pitcher. He is a good little twirler, and I think that he would do good work in the Association. The Cincinnati club alone refused to waive claim to Hecker, and had I succeeded in getting him through the Association the deal would most likely have been made at once, as I didn't expect any trouble from the League about Staley. Staley is a fine pitcher, and Louisville name within a few hundred doilars of buying him last season when he was sold together with Beckley.

Manager Phillips, in speaking of Staley the other day, said: "I expect Harry to do better the coming season. Harry was led astray by some jealous players in the Allegheny club shortly after he joined the club, and this, in my opinion, accounts for his erratic pitching toward the close. Staley admitted to me the day he signed for 1889 that he had been led into bad company and had not taken care of himself, but next year he would be for Staley alone. It looks to me as if those players who led him away did so just to effect his ability.

alone. It looks to me as if those players who led him away did so just to effect his ability, being jealous of him."

whole story is a fabrication.] The Memphis Meeting.

MEMPHIS, February 9.—The annual spring

meeting of the Memphis Jockey Club begins April 22 and continues eight days. There are fully 135 horses already on the track, and the weather has been so favorable that many are already in active training. The entries for the stakes offered by the club closed February 1, and will be published to-morrow, rebruary I, and will be published to-merrow.

The Athletic Club stakes for 2-year old filles, one-half mile, has 32 entries.

The Gaston Hotel stakes for 2-year-old colts, one-half mile, has 18 entries.

The Merchants' stake for 2-year-old colts and filles, five-eights of a mile, has 28 entries.

The Tennessee Club stakes for 3-year-olds, one mile, has 31 entries.

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The Cotton Bayers' handleap sweepstake for 3-year-olds, one and an eighth miles, has 22 entries.

The Chickasaw Club stakes for 3-year-olds and upward, one and a sixteenth miles, has 43 entries.

The Peabody Hotel handleap for 3-year-olds and upward, one and an eighth miles, has 37 entries.

The Luebrmann' Hotel stake for all ages, one mile, has 45 entries. The Luchtmanh Hotel state to all ages, mile and a mile, has 28 entries.

The Montgomery stakes for all ages, mile and a quarter, has 28 entries.

Mr. James G. Sheridan has been engaged as starter for the races and everything indicates a

Gumbert in Class B.

(SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.) CHICAGO, February 9 .- Ad Gumbert, of places his salary at \$2,250, or \$250 less than the chicago club has offered him. He wanted \$2,000, and he was offered the same salary that Tener is to receive. However, if Gumbert will sign with Chicago he will get \$2,500, because the offer was made before he was classified.

A Bid for Reporter.

It was reported in local sporting circles yes-terday that J. B. Haggin had made an offer to Captain Sam Brown to buy Reporter, the Captain's promising 3 year-old. It is understood that Mr. Haggin made an offer of about \$10,000, but Captain Brown says that Reporter and his engagements are worth \$15,000.

Swartwood the Hustler. Ed Swartwood, manager of the Hamilton Baseball Club, is a hustler. He signed John Kearns, of Rochester, N. Y. yesterday to play second base. He was also in communication with Ed Soles, of Harrisburg, to play short. Manager Swartwood expects to sign Soles between now and Monday.

Nolan Will Start.

Manager Burkholder, who is promoting the Wheeling three-day contest, was in the city yesterday. He looked in at THE DISPATCH office and stated that Nolan, Cox, McClelland, Henricks, Courts, and about seven others will start in the race at Wheeling, commencing February 21.

Sporting Notes. WHO else is trying to buy Staley?

DUNCAN ROSS defeated Captain Daly in a wrestling match at Boston, on Friday night, for an alleged stake of \$2,000 a side. HUNTER, DINSMORE & Co., have purchased the 2-year-old Clydesdale stallion, Van Hook, from Robert Halloway, of Alexis, Ill., for

SWARTWOOD will get a team, and depend upon it if he does not turn up a jewel this sea-son. Somebody will get a few good men from him next fall. HARRY SPENCE, the manager of last year's Indianapolis League club, has applied for the position of manager of the Manchester club, which may be in the new Atlantic League,

The directors of the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association have decided to give a free-for-all \$5,000 stake for the 2:20 class; \$1,000 stake each for the 2:25 stallion class and the 2:30 stallion class, and the same amount each for 2-year-olds and for 3-year-olds, thus making \$9,000 for the five stakes, all to be trotted at the next fall meeting.

pugilists, meet next week to discuss the preiminaries.

Riley Signs.

CINCINNATI, February 2.—John G. Riley has signed with the Cincinnatis, as first baseman. Elmer Smith is the only one now who remains to be signed.

A Good Man Gone.

William Reid, the well-known local cricketer, will leave here in a few days for Salt Lake City. He will be missed in the local club. He was a good man. With Reid absent trotted at the next fall meeting.

THE starters in the six-day female bicycle race at Madison Square Garden, including Louise Armanido, are: Miss Lessic Oaks, champion of England; Miss Elsa Von Blumen, Rochester, ex-American champion; Miss Halida Swallend; Miss Kittle Brown, Pittsburg, Pa.; Miss Jessic Wood, Brooklyn; Miss Lottic Stanley, Auburn, 100-mile champion; Miss Hilda Swallen, Pittsburg; Miss Louise Fox, Jersey City; Miss Hattle Lewis, Pittsburg, Pa.; the Western Unknown, Lincoln, Neb., and Miss Emily St. John, New Orleans. kind that flourish in Pittsburg, has not only | moments.

THE MUSIC

A Critical Review of the Moriz Rosenthal Piano Recitals.

FINE ALL-ROUND PIANO PLAYING.

An Opportunity Seldom Offered to Students of the Art Divine Hereabout.

REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S EVENTS

While the Rosenthal recitals of last Monday and Tuesday evenings were not by any means "the greatest musical event in Pittsburg for probably the past 15 years"-as asserted by one critic-they certainly did amount to an occasion of signal importance, one which has made a deep and lasting impression upon our concert-goers. Each evening from 600 to 700 persons heard what was for most of them, doubtless, the best all-round piano playing they ever listened to. The educational value of such experiences is exceedingly great; it is a pity that the student class was not better represented. Pittsburg's patronage was large enough to lessen considerably the usual deficit to be charged to advertising account by the New York piano firm that controls the Rosenthal tour

The first concert having been fully treated by this pen on Tuesday morning, only the second programme comes up for consideration to-day. It was this: Nocturne in E flat major... Mazurka....

Allegro assai. Andante con moto. Allegro mi non troppo. Moriz Rosenthal.

Souvenir de Haydn''..... Fritz Kreisler, 

SECOND PROGRAMME SUPERIOR. Having played the Davidoff arrangement as an encore-piece the night before, Mr. Rosenthal advanced the Hungarian rhapsodies to its place on the programme, and chose for his final number the Liszt-Paganini variations known as"La Campanella. The rhapsodies (the 12th, with themes from the 10th worked in as a cadenza toward the close) formed the real climax of the piano pieces; the variations offered no new or stronger elements. It would have been tter to reverse the order or, better still, to have filled the vacant place with a work of different style. As it stood, however, the second programme was musically superior

to the first. The superiority lay, of course, largely in the first composition played—the most familiar, perhaps, of Beethoven's greater sonatas. Here Rosenthal's limitations began to appear. His rendition of the masterwork was enjoyable and effective in its way, but it was not altogether Beethoven's way; it did not approximate the traditional classical ideal as closely as did his interpretation of the more modern and romantic schools of composition. There was less reverence for the notes exactly as written; less sinking of self in the composer's intentions; less repose, breadth and imaginative power than are remembered in the interpretation of Beethoven by Von Buelow, D'Albert or Anna Clark-Staninger, for example. To instance points: The indistinctness of the three-sixteenth notes ending the trill in the first subject; the excessive clashing of the syncopated chords woven in with that first subject; the tendency to hurry the time in both the rapid movements, especially the final allegro ma non troppo, with its presto coda; the blurring, by over-The above comes from Louisville and not pittsburg, and the attention of the thousands of THE DISPATCH readers in the eastern and western part of America is drawn to this fact. Manager Phillips said last night that the whole story is a fabrication 1. something—call it soul, imagination, genius, or what you will—which forms the finest quality of Beethoven's matchless slow-movements; but the two later variations were deliciously played. Other points of high excellence appeared here and there in the sonata and there was abundant evidence of honest artistic purpose throughout. Few men of 26 have been able to play Beet-

hoven; give Mr. Rosenthal another decade to mature and then note the difference. A DEFECT POINTED OUT. In the remainder of his programme the ceneral tendency to hurry the tempo was general tendency to hurry the tempo was the only point worthy of adverse remark. From this cause the first subject of the nocturn lost its dreamy poetic character and stood out in rather startling contrast from the other subject-matter. That magnifi-cent climax in the ballade was less broad and imposing than if taken a bit slower. In all other respects it would be hard to find any flaw in the Chopin pieces; they were given with the utmost refinewere given with the utmost refine-ment, fanciful elegance, pure feel-ing and superb power. The familiar Henselt study was played at marvelous speed and with a degree of perfection that

probably no living player could surpass. In the Liszt variations, Rosenthal quite distanced the really brilliant performance of the same piece by Mme. Carreno a month or two since. But the Liszt rhapsody was the display piece of the evening; in it Rosenthal quite outdid his own work in the "Don Juan" fantasia the previous evening. His cleverly written additions increased the already great difficulties of the work, and made it the vehicle for an electrifying display of his technique on all sides. Young Kreisler, the violinist, confirme

the impression produced by his work on Monday evening. He did some things beautitully, excelling particularly in smooth flowing melodies, such as Raff's well-known cavatina, which he played very prettily as an encore piece. Wieniawski's "Legende" (another encore selection) and polonaise brought out the best playing the lad has done here. But here and there would come positive faults or negative deficiencies of such nature as to cause regret that needed preparatory work had been interrupted by premature appearance before the public. This may be a good training school; but then, again, it may not, My idea is that music ought to move the

heart with sweet emotion, which a pianist will never effect by mere scrambling, thundering and arpeggios—at least not from me.

—C. P. E. Bach.

Crotchets and Quavers. MR. AD. M. FOERSTER has again obtained

pictorial and biographical fame through the columns of a musical journal. This time it is the Musical Courier, of New York, that pays the deserved tribute. MISS ANNIE D. FLOWER, organist of the Sixth Presbyterian Church, played the "Tann-hauser" overture and selections from Gounod, Meyerbeer, Weber and Hiller, at the Cunning-ham-Owen wedding last Thursday evening.

THE Central R. B. Choral Society, a chorus Unite to Raise Funds for a Confederate of about 150 voices, under the direction of Mr. Soldiers' Home. W. S. Weeden, assisted by the Alpine Quartet, will give a concert in the church on San-dusky street, Allegheny, next Friday evening. Now that the M. M. P. U. seems to get nearer and nearer to the end of its Mendelssohn Club, of the East End, will probably have less trouble in forming their pro-posed orchestra of amateurs with professiona MR. ETHELBERT NEVIN'S "The Night Hath

a Thousand Eyes" was sung by the Cecilia Club, of Boston, under Mr. B. J. Lang, one day last week. Several of the same Pittsburg composer's songs have been lately sung in high class concerts at Detroit and Chicago by Mrs. Wulter C. Wyman. sented to act as Treasurer. MR. GEORGE RUSSELL CRAIG has a flourishing piano class at Greensburg Academy that draws him out the Pennsylvania Railroad twice a week. On account of a strain of Mr. Craig's wrist he has finally withdrawn from the post of pianist for the May Festival rehearsals. Mr. J. H. Gittings will carry the good work along te a brilliant finish, no doubt.

rass and wood instruments, but also "string instruments, as cellos and double basses."
When the next procession passes, there will be eager eyes in search of the man with a double bass strung around his neck. But perhaps a military band is not a military band when on

THE special feature of the Poco-a-Poco Orchestra's concert next Tuesday evening, at the East End Gymnasium Hall, will be Mr. Carl Rettegle playing of the last two movements of Mendelssohn's concerts in D minor, with orchestral accompaniment. Mrs. Adah S. Thomas and Mr. D. M. Bullock are the vocalists who will assist Directress Walters and her loyal young men in this concert.

THE Orpheus Club, the still new male chorus, organized last Wednesday with the following officers: President, Joseph T. Speer: Vice Pres ident, W. C. McCausland; Secretary, H. White; Treasurer, H. C. Maxwell; Librarian, Thomas J. Neeley; Executive Committee, E. M. Prugh, P. A. Ward, George Russell Craig, James Laubie and Alex, Ross. George R. Craig was elected planist and Charles Davis Carter musical director. THE Mozart Club concert at Old City Hall

next Friday evening is the chief happening of the week. Conductor McCollum and his forces the week. Conductor McCollum and his forces are pitted against this excellent programme: Part I.—Overture, "Rosamunde," Schubert; "Al nasio, di chi t'adora" (Figaro), Mozart, Mrs. Mathilda Henkler: "Rolling and Foaming Billows" (creation) Haydn, Mr. John B. Trapp: Part II.—Henry Smart's dramatic cantata "The Bride of Dunkerron;" Sea Maiden, Mrs. J. Sharp McDonald; Dunkerron, Mr. Paul Zimmerman; Sea King, Mr. E. H. Dermitt; chorus of sea maidens and serfs—and orchestra, of course,

LOCAL ITEMS, LIMITED. Incidents of a Day in Two Cities Condensed

for Ready Reading.

THE Democratic primaries of the Ninth ward, Allegheny, will be held Wednesday. THE Allegheny Tariff Club will give a reception at the Union Rink on Monday evening. GEORGE WOLF fell from a wagon vesterday at the Black Diamond Works and broke

THE adoption of Mabel Neety as a daughter by D. L. and Villa J. Kistler, was ratified by A LARGE bar of iron fell on William Me-Clelland's hand at the Linden Steel Works yesterday and crushed it.

ROBERT J. WARREN was nominated for Select Council at the Sixteenth ward Republi-can primary meeting last night. GEORGE LIPPERT was fined \$10 and costs by Mayor Pearson yesterday for insulting the butchers in the Allegheny market.

THE Republican suggestion meeting in the Third ward, Allegheny, will be held to-morrow evening in the North avenue schoolhouse, ANDREW NEAL was arrested by Marshal Chambers, at Dallas station, on a charge of counterfeiting. He is one of the Butler gang. COMMENCING with this month the Pennsylvania Railroad will divide the receipts from excess of baggage pro rata among its connec-

THE Pittsburg Railroad Coal Association will meet this week and hear the report of the committee that attended the convention at In-OFFICER ROBERT ALEXANDER won the re-

volver at the Grand Army fair, which had been offered to the policeman collecting the largest sum of money. THE Republicans of the Twenty-ninth ward met at the school house last night and sug-gested John Benz for Select Council, and Fred Feiger for assessor.

GOSPEL TEMPERANCE UNION No. 1 will hold its weekly meeting in University Hall, Sixth street, this evening. Captain Barbour will conduct the meeting. THE Democratic primaries of the Eighteenth ward were held yesterday and the following names placed in nomination: Michael Dwyer, Select Council; Philip Hutz and James Dunn, school directors.

THE Republicans of the Ninth ward, Allegheny, held a primary yesterday and nomi-nated the following candidates: Select Council, John Getty: Common Council, F. C. Graham and Henry Smith. AT at nominating meeting in the Twelfth

ward last night Thomas Perry, for Select Council, received 341, J. K. Clark 173 and Reu-ben Smith 207 votes. For Alderman, J. B. Nobbs received 350 and Warren 418 votes, THE granite columns for the new Government building will be placed in position next week. They are now at the Baltimore and Ohio depot. The columns are from the Lith-onia quarries, Georgia, and are said to be very beautiful.

THE Republican primaries of the Twefth gentlemen were the lucky candidates: J. War-ner, Alderman: Thomas Perry, Select Council; John Green and John Patton, School Directors; John Cramer, Constable. REV. GEORGE HODGES will deliver his second sermon of a series of five on "Every Day

Religion," at the Calvary Episcopal Church, East End, to-night. The subject of this even-ing's sermon will be "Friends and Com-panions;" next Sunday evening, "Money." DIVISION 85 of the Sons of Temperance will hold a temperance meeting this afternoon at 3:30 in the Moorhead building, corner of Second avenue and Grant street. The meeting will be addressed by the Rev. Mr. Hughes. Several councils of the Jr. O. U. A. M. have been invited to attend. The meeting is held in the interest of Constitutional amendment. DURING the fair of Post 548 at Wilkinsburg,

the committee offered a badge to the lady or comrade selling the largest number of range tickets. Past Adjutant Thomas McCune was the successful competitor and last night he was the recipient of a costly and very handsome gold badge. Comrade McCune has the unani-mous indorsement of his post as a candidate for delegate to the National Encampment.

M'KEESPORT PRIMARIES.

A Very Large Vote Polled and Some Warm Contests. ISPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.1 MCKEESPORT, February 9 .- The largest vote ever cast at a primary election was brought out to-day. The Republican primaries were held from 2 to 7 P. M., and the polling places were constantly crowded. McClure received 805 votes in the city and Fillbrook 489. They are the nominees for Burgess. Deputy Sheriff German had a hard fight for Council in the First ward, but swept the ward in the face of his opposition, ecciving 243 votes to 147 for Tayl For Council in the Second ward Stratton eceived 207 votes and A. C. Campbell, 91;

Third ward, O. G. Jones, 329; J. Z. Andre 212; for Tax Collector, Nathan Morgan, 441; Jacob Everett, 404.

IRELAND APPEALS FOR AID.

Members of Parliament Telegraph to National League for Help. LINCOLN, February 9 .- The following cablegram was received to-day by Hon. John Fitzgerald, President of the Irish National

John Fitzgerald, Lincoln, Neb., U. S. A .:

League of America:

Government campaign of eviction and coer-Government campaign of eviction and coercion going on with greater vigor than ever. Number of evicted families, especially on plan of campaign estates, 's now very great and increasing weekly. We earnestly appeal to friends in America to send aid.

WILLIAM O'BRIEN,
JOHN DILLON,
TIMOTHY HARRINGTON.

DUBLIN, February 8, 1889.

THE BLUE AND THE GRAY

NEW YORK, February 9 .- A meeting of old soldiers of both the Confederate and Union armies was held to-night at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, for the purpose of devising the best method by which to raise funds for the permanent establishment of a Confederate soldiers' home at Austin, Tex.

Speeches were made by Major Stewart, of Texas, and others. A committee was appointed to push the project. It was an-nounced that Chauncey M. Depew had con-

NEW YORK, February 9 .- The bursting of a centrifugal machine in the works of the New York Tartar Company, Brooklyn, Craig's wrist he has finally withdrawn from the post of pianist for the May Festival rehearsals. Mr. J. H. Gittings will carry the good work along to a brilliant finish, no doubt.

A LOCAL weekly informs the uninitiated that "military band," which it declares to be the so badly injured that he lived but a few

NO STRIKE JUST YET.

Resolutions Passed by Indignant Knights of Labor Cokers.

QUESTIONS WITH DIRECT POINTS

Are Asked by Them as a Result of the Scottdale Convention.

THE SLIGO MILL TROUBLE EXPLAINED

The following telegram from Scottdale was received at this office last night, giving the condition of affuirs in the Connellsville coke region: There will be no strike for a week or so, but

come it will on March I. The Knights of

Labor delegates from works not organized and others representing works where both organizations are in existence, in convention here to-day decided to take decisive steps in the matter of securing a uniform scale by a general demand, and, if necessary, a general strike. The combination scale signed by the Progressive Union with the H. C. Frick Coke Company was denounced as a scheme to cripple a general movement and to give the Progressive Union a foothold at the works for the express | in the spring. purpose of killing off the Knights. At least these are the sentiments expressed by the dele-gates, among whom were leading members of the Progressive Union, who have united with the Knights. A delegate who was at the the Knights. A delegate who was at the National Progressive Union Convention said that organization ordered a strike for February I, and voted to sign no scale except a general one, but when they found the strike would be a failure they ordered that on the last day of January the strike be declared off.

The following resolutions were passed:

WHEREAS. The operators of the Connellsville coke region have refused to meet the representatives of their employes for the purpose of formulating and adopting a uniform scale of wages, and,

lating and adopting a uniform scale of wages, and,
Whereas, The National Progressive Union have made plain their antagonism to the Knights of Labor, and their refusal to co-operate in a movement to bring about unity of action, and,
Whereas, The National Progressive Union have, we believe, entered into a compact with the H. C. Frick Coke Company by signing a conditional agreement and voting to compet the employes of the Standard mines to purchase positions, thereby setting an unheard of and dangerous precedent and placing the workmen of the coke region at the mercy of employer, and annulling their right to protest against unjust exactions, and,

region at the mercy of employer, and annulling their right to protest against unjust exactions, and,
Whereas, A strike without united action would inevitably prove a failure, a conditional scale with the H. C. Frick Coke Company would be a great harrier to success, be it
Resolved, By the convention of Knights of Laber and representatives of other organized bodies of workmen, that we denounce the effort to make the workmen to purchase positions as unjust and uncalled for: that we favor a uniform scale of wages, and if necessary, a general suspension of work to secure such; that we protest against any conditional scale that may be offered or signed that will tend to create discord and act as a hindrance to general and united action; that we instruct our Scale Committee to sign no scale unless it dates from January I, 1889, and that they notify the operators immediately that they desire a conference for the purpose of formulating and adopting a scale and that they also notify the officers of the National Progressive Union that Knights of Labor and other workmen who desire the advancement and welfare of all, be requested to remain at work until all co-operate in a general movement; that a general convention, under the advancement; that a general convention, under the supervision of the Knights of Labor, be held at Scottdale on Saturday, February 23, at which time delegates will report the action of the workmen on the following questions:

"Do you favor a strike while the Frick men are

at Scottdale on Saturday, February 23, at which time delegates will report the action of the workmen on the following questions:

"Do you favor a strike while the Frick men are working under a conditional scale?

"Do you favor a general strike for a uniform scale?

"Do you favor joint action between the Knights of Labor and the National Progressive Union?
"If you favor a strike, when shall it be?

"If Joint action is refused by the National Progressive Union what shall be done, strike or no strike?

"The delegates in Joint K. of L. Convention hereby express our disapproval of the course.

"The delegates in Joint K of L. Convention hereby express our disapproval of the course taken by the N. P. U. in conjunction with the superintendent of the Frick Company in enceavoring to force the disunion terms of a conditional scale upon the employes of the said company instead of dealing through the organization, thereby abrogating the work of four years spent in organizing the coke region, and we again appeal to all workmen to disavow any connection with said contract, and hereafter rely solely upon an effective and permanent organization as the means whereby justice can and will be had, and instead of regarding such action as progressive we emphatically declare it a retrograd movement.

ment.

Resolved, By the officers of sub-Division 4, N.
T. A. 135, that we deny having any knowledge whatever pertaining to the cause that brought the Standard's employes on strike, and are ready, if necessary, to make evident the above facts, but recret that any into organization should impose a fine upon its members for the privilege of being allowed to work.

NOT A BLACK SHEEP.

President Weihe Called Down by an Amalgamated Association Member-The Latter is Explicitly Contradicted. The following communication was received at this office vesterday touching on the employment of men at the Clinton mill, recently leased to Phillips, Nimick & Co.:

To the Editor of The Dispatch: DEAR SIR-Will you please give the followbark Sik—Will you please give the following a place in your paper: Some months since Phillips, Nimick & Co. leased the Clinton Iron Mills for the purpose of making muck bar for their finishing mills at their Sligo works. The puddling department at Sligo being idle on account of repairs, the puddlers of this department, who were members of the Amalgamated association were sent down to Clinton to over. ment, who were members of the Amalgamated Association, were sent down to Clinton to operate the furnaces. To this some of the former employes of the Clinton works objected, claiming that the old hands here were entitled to the work. Our Worthy Warden, Weihe, was seen, and through whatever advice or information was given, the report at once became circulated that the Shgo puddlers had made black mutton of themselves, or, in other words, were blacksheeping. Hence, as the trouble emanated through the general office, we have repeatedly requested Worthy Warden Weihe to give the public press the true inwardness of the affair, in order that Sigo Lodge might be freed from the odium of the black list.

However, our Worthy Warden, Weihe, has positively refused to give any of the inner workings of his office to the public (in this case at least) for reasons best known to himself, and we are left to console ourselves with the knowl-

at least) for reasons best known to himself, and we are left to console ourselves with the knowledge that our Worthy Warden was lacking in sand to do his duty, and his refusal was owing to a desire to be on the strong side at the coming convention.

We can also console ourselves with the knowledge that the members of Sligo Lodge have always confined themselves strictly to the laws of the association, and in this case were fully justified in going to work at Clinton. From the fact that the mill had changed hands, and the so-called old hands were not included in the lease, Phillips, Nimick & Co. certainly had the right to employ who or whom they desired to operate their works.

E. H. MCANINCH, Secretary.

When the above was read to President When the above was read to President

Weihe by a DISPATCH reporter he said he

would rather say nothing about it, but made the following statement: made the following statement:

When Phillips, Nimick & Co, leased the Clinton mill, formerly operated by Graff, Bennett & Co, they signed the Amalgamated Association scale. The men who had been employed by Graff, Bennett & Co, that is the majority of them, have been idle since last winter. Before the mill started I advised the men connected with the Southside lodger of the association not to take a position in the Clinton mill until all the old employes had been given an opportunity. This was not compulsory, however, and if a man did not follow this advice he certainly could not be classified as a black sheep. I preferred, of course, that the old men got the work, but the association could not interfere until the men had been engaged. This man wanted me to publish this in the papers, but I refused to do it because the matter should have been brought up in the association. He is not a black sheep, and if any person intimated that he was one, he should have reported it to his lodge and had the matter straightened out. He did not follow my advice, but we cannot condemn a man for that because when the scale was signed and the mill was opened any Amalgamated Association man could work there.

opened any Amalgamated Association man THE TRADES COUNCIL. A Committee Will Inquire Into the Exposi-

tion Strike. At the meeting of the Trades Council last night Jacob Demmel, of Sub-division 5, N. T. A., K. of L., and John Cayle, of Marlow Lodge, A. A. of I. & S. W., were admitted as delegates. The council indorsed the Australian method of voting bills now before the Legislature. Conrad Auth was elected a delegate to the Washington Centennial Committee. Furniture Workers' Union No. 21 donated \$11 50 to the Wood street sufferers and Cigar Makers' Assembly, 1374, K. of L., donated \$5.50. A committee was pointed to wait on the Exposition Society and see why union work only was not done

A Wage Reduction Proposed. At 2 o'clock yesterday notices were posted in every blast furnace throughout the Mahoning Valley, notifying the employes of a reduction of 10 per cent in wages, to take felo

effect on Friday, March 1. Last November an advance of 10 per cent was made. The men will meet this week and take action on the notices.

A NEW MILL.

The Crescent Steel Works Will Have a Bessemer Department.

The new Bessemer department of the Crescent steel works at Fifty-second street, will commence operations to-morrow morning. The works have been but recently constructed and consist of two three-ton vessels. The building is a large brick structure.

About 100 men will be given employment by the new department. Much of the preparatory work for the furnaces can be done by men now employed. Mr. Charles Metcalf will act as manager.

May Build Another Furnace.

Since the Bellaire Nail Works began the manufacture of steel from pig metal brought direct from the blast furnace, there have been mutterings of discontent among the 200 workmen. Under the old system the men made 50 blowings a turn, but cannot make over 15, and as they are paid by the ton they have suffered a decrease in wages equal to one-half. It is thought this cannot be remedied until the nail works erects another blast furnace, which it contemplates

There Are Two Factions.

The old stockholders of the burnt Ohio Valley Foundry split in two factions yesterday. Part of the stockholders, including John Parks and Henry Lewis, purchased the old site of the works near Bellaire and will erect a new foundry at once. The re-maining stockholders have decided to erect a foundry at Mansfield, O., where they have been given \$7,500 in money and three acres of land.

MINNIE PALMER IN JAIL.

The Star of the Stage Sympathizes With

Prisoners at Central Station. After the performance at the Bijou Theater last night, Minnie Palmer and a few members of her company visited Central station and chatted with the penitents behind the bars, each one being introduced to Miss Palmer, who consoled them and told them all to be good boys and girls when

they got out.
After a chat with the prisoners, Minnie took the judge's stand, and one of the company who was placed on trial was sentenced to 60 days, for riding a broomstick down Fifth avenue without a license from the Traction company.

near Madison avenue, Allegheny, was severely burned by a lamp explosion about 10 o'clock last night. An alarm was

sounded from box 123, but the fire was ex-

tinguished before the arrival of the depart-

ment. The injured woman was taken to the

A Woman Badly Burned.

Mrs. 'Matchell, who lives on East street,

Allegheny General Hospital. Another Cable Car Wreck. About 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon a horse and wagon belonging to the Standard Machine Company was run down by one of

was reduced to splinters and the horse hurt.



THE WEATHER. For Western Pennsylvania, West Vir-

except light local except light local snows on the lakes, warmer, winds genwarmer, winds generally westerly. PITTSBURG, February 9, 1889. The United States Signal Service of this city furnishes the following.

Hiver at 5 P. M., 3.0 feet, a fall of 0.5 feet in the last 24 hours.

Advance News for Monday. Nine is an odd number. A very odd one, but that's the figure which we intend shall make things lively around our stores on Monday. For to-morrow only we place on our counters about 225 elegant tailor-made suits, comprising imported cheviots, fancy worsteds, globe cassimeres and corkserew diagonals, superbly made and lined with the finest of silk finished serge, at the quick selling price of \$9. In the regular course of trade these suits would go for \$25 and \$30, but we want to sell 'em all to-morrow, and our price is \$9. This is our first suit sale of the season, and is for Monday only.
P. C. C. C., cor. Grant and Diamond sts.,

opp. the new Court House. GRAHAM BREAD.

The Phosphates found in Graham Flour are of great benefit to children, while the bran it

phates found in wheat and lost by milling. It contains no Rochelle Salts, no Cream of Tartar, no Alum. 2,000 grocers in Brooklyn sell it.

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Gin, Pure Holland, our own import, full quarts, \$1.25, or \$12 per dozen.

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