

W. H. Crawford Looks Like Capturing \$5,000.

TALK ABOUT THE TROTTERS An Authority Says They Will Supercede the Runners.

A LETTER FROM TOMMY DANFORTH

Howe, of Cleveland, Talks Plainly about the Brotherhood's Plans.

GENERAL SPORTING NEWS OF THE DAY

A well-known authority on trotting races talks interestingly about the prospects of that sport. He thinks it will become more popular than running races. Tommy Danforth writes from San Francisco...

It may be that Mr. Crawford will take his \$20,000-year-old stallion Constantine to California to try and beat the 2-year-old record of Axel...

"I am thoroughly convinced," continued the speaker, "that horse races are superseding everything else in the racing line. The extraordinary success of the past season proves this."

"Then you really think the Brotherhood is a go?"

"It is evident that their plans are well laid, and the players are all well bonded together by a solemn oath to carry out some practical plan that will be the outcome of the trouble which will result in the national game. The men who have their money invested now in horse racing are not likely to be able to do so in the future."

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"The Englishman Wants to Meet My Middle-weight in America."

"He has challenged Bill Goode to fight for \$100."

"There is nothing whatever in the story. It is manufactured entirely out of the whole cloth."

"There is no likelihood of an amalgamation of the League and Association, nor of the minor league players being purchased as a whole by anybody."

"I do not believe that an attempt will be made to organize a Brotherhood league, for I think the leaders in that line are not likely to do so."

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President Spaulding is Undecided about the Injunction Scheme.

"He did not discuss the subject, then?"

"Yes, in a general way, but the idea is not new. It has been talked of for several years to my knowledge."

"Will consolidation be the result of the struggle?"

"I do not say. The Chicago club has done nothing in the direction of consolidation or any other plan for the future. With the exception of a telegram from Colonel Rogers, who wanted to know what truth there was in the report printing in the Philadelphia papers to the effect that I would get an injunction against my players if they did not sign by Saturday night, we have not received a communication from any League official for two weeks and over. Our lawyers have been waiting for some news from the players, but I am by no means certain that they will apply for an injunction. They may refuse to sign, play their string out as they see fit. I don't say we will sue them, but I don't say we won't either. At any rate, such action would not be taken before next spring."

"All that you know of the Brotherhood's intentions has been learned from the newspapers. There is nothing of a sufficiently authoritative nature to warrant action upon our part. The Brotherhood some time ago asked for a conference to adjust certain clauses in the existing contract objectionable to the players. The League has expressed its willingness to discuss such a conference, and to the matter stands."

"Suppose the Brotherhood takes no action upon the matter?"

"Well, in that case the League will take the matter as it is. It will not notify the Brotherhood of any of our meetings, and we will not attend any of theirs. The greatest smelting works in the world were visited. The ore, with its gold and silver ore, was watched in the process of disclosing them, until at last a room was reached where the silver and the gold lay in bricks. Fifty-six bars of bright silver bricks were piled, each worth \$1,100. And upon the top of the heap were three richly-colored rings of gold. Sixty-two bars of gold, although only 5 inches long, 2 1/2 inches wide and 1 1/2 inches thick."

"You have in your hand \$5,000 worth of gold, remarking the superintendent who stood near, and there was a curious expression of interest upon the faces of the foreigners, as one by one they weighed in their hands the rich metal chunks. In one corner of the room a pile of granulated copper, before the gold and silver had been separated, a scoop shoveling year. Using the shovel the guide took up a few pounds which was examined. The granulated copper was found to be high, the three best farms in Nebraska," remarked the attendant, and again the visitors wore expressions of wondering interest."

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Mr. Balch, the promoter of the race in question, however, says that he has heard nothing of the matter.

Will Lose Nothing by It.

"You are right," said the Duke of Milan, who returned home presented his mother, who is a widow, with a \$600 bill. Jimmie said: "It was the first bill of that denomination that I have ever seen, and I know nothing of it but to better use it than I could."

Nashville Meeting.

The autumn meeting of the West Side Park Club begins Tuesday next and closes Saturday, November 11. About 400 horses are to be shown. There will be five races each day, with a possibility of six. James Ferguson, of Lexington, will be the star.

A Bicycle Record Broken.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 27.—In the seven days (56 hours) bicycle tournament which was held at the Palace at 1 A. M., had completed 78 miles, breaking the world's six days (48 hours) record.

ENJOYING LIFE.

The International Eccentricists are Having a Good Time in the West—Hug Dog and Drinking California Wines.

OMAHA, NEB., October 27.—The All-America party has had a day without a tremor fear. The sky from sunrise to sunset was without a fleck of cloud. At 11 o'clock the entire party mounted what are here designated as Concord stages, seating nine people on top. There were six horses before each stage, and the functions of living were carried out in the most perfect manner. The greatest smelting works in the world were visited. The ore, with its gold and silver ore, was watched in the process of disclosing them, until at last a room was reached where the silver and the gold lay in bricks. Fifty-six bars of bright silver bricks were piled, each worth \$1,100. And upon the top of the heap were three richly-colored rings of gold. Sixty-two bars of gold, although only 5 inches long, 2 1/2 inches wide and 1 1/2 inches thick."

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