

REVIEW OF SPORTS. Features of the Start in the Championship Races FOR THE TWO PENNANTS. Some Reasons for Twenty-five Cent Baseball in Pittsburg. GOSSIP ABOUT LEADING PUGILISTS

The veriest baseball crank alive to-day will certainly not be ungrateful enough to say there is not plenty of baseball now. If there should be in existence such an insatiable and never-to-be-satisfied... I don't want to meet him. Plenty of baseball, why? I don't want it. Indeed, there is so much of it that many people are declaring with a vengeance that it is fast becoming a nuisance.

Like the poor there is this conflict with us, and I suppose will have to put up with it. It would be foolish to expect it to end until the battle is lost and won, but it is not the case that it will be contrary to the lessons of experience. Well, we are only the first week into the season yet, and that we will seek lots of fun and many surprises before this "crisis" is over.

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fortnight couldn't well befall the national game than fighting for such an object as I have just named. I have long since dealt with the right and wrong of the contest from a moral standpoint and I don't intend to repeat what I have already said; but I am inclined to think that the present disagreeable conflict is tending to turn the minds of baseball fans to other things.

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You must remember that O'Connor went to Australia on the quiet and without making any previous arrangement with the Australian press. This in one sense is to be admired, but if intended to make an economic trip it was a risky thing to do.

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QUITE A SLICK MOVE. The Local N. L. Club to Go to Chicago on Tuesday.

REASONS FOR THE CHANGE. Recreation Park to be Improved During the Club's Absence.

BASEBALL NEWS OF GENERAL INTEREST. The local National League club and Captain Anson have stolen a march on the Players' League club at Chicago.

ALL AGREE TO IT. This transfer has been effected by unanimous action of the National League club, and will afford the management of the Pittsburgh National club an opportunity to make such changes on the ground of Recreation Park as they may see fit.

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baseball are anxious to have the conflicting dates changed. COMKEY thinks Robinson will be second on Dunlap. COMKEY may be surprised.

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with the Western Union's star players for some day next week. THE G. W. Mohr would like to play any club whose members are not more than 14 years old, the St. Pauls preferred.

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