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Baseball has been the leading feature in the sporting world this week, not so much because of what has been done as because of what is expected to be done, The great machinery has been set in motion; that piece of compact machinery known as the Board of Control. It has commenced business extremely well, but we must wait and see more of its operations before we can judge of its wisdom and utility. Look at this board how we will we all must admit that it is a very great venture. No doubt many of us would be surprised when we learned that A. G. Spalding emphatically declined to accept the chairmanship of the new board. In one sense it is much to be regretted that Mr. Spalding declined the honor. By doing have had a very salutary effect on baseball patrons generally. I am not going to in-sinuate that Messra Spalding and Bogers would have detended the claims of the League whether they were right or wrong; not at all. What I do claim is that the fact of two League representatives being on the board would tend to prejudice many people acainst all decision: in favor of the League. As a matter of policy Mr. Spalt ing has acted very wisely in declining the offer. The chairman of the board may make friends by his decisions that he board may make friends to matter how correct may be his judgmen. Taking everything hime consideration the board has done well to indopt a plan by which the chairmanship shalt be held in turn by the members of the board. ...

Players and the Board.

The National Board, I think, will find itself greatly disappointed in one thing. It will not we the players at its disposal that was auticipated. When this far-reaching board was first talked of everybody was convinced that there would be scores of first-class players not wanted by the League and Association, and that their names would be forwarded to the board and that the latter would assign them to clubs that meeded strengthening. In other words the strengthening. In other words the lexpected change was to knock on the needed strengtheding. In other words the prestant expected change was to knock on the head the sales system. But basehall magnates are very curious people. They preach the fuest sentiments of charity and generosity and then has scarcely a name of a higher been sent to the board who is of any account whitever. Clubs have reserred as far as 24 uee, and this shows at once how empty and meaningers the new uhan of distributing players is. Let nobody dream that good players will be picked up for have to be pawup for the vast majority of good men. As long as this system operates it should be clearly understood by everyhowy concerned. There should be no false impression concern-ing it. I have always behered that the "sales gsystem" is of great benefit to the ball player. ing if. I bave always believed that the "sales system" is of great benefit to the ball player, no matter what other evils may be connected with it, but whether it be good, bad or indiffer-ent, if it exists, let the fact be clearly known to everybody so as to know what may be ex-mented

The Two Sprinters The other race to which I have just referred, or rather the other prospective race, is one that is not a whit less interesting. I refer to the probable 100-yard race between Joseph

that is not a whit less interesting. I refer to the probable 100-yard race between Joseph Fiddy and the young colored man Smothers of Brownsville. Judging from what has a parted in the newspapers this week, it is likely that these two very promising young men may be matched at this office to-morrow. Person-ly nothing would give me greater pleasure of definite information regarding the abilities of definite information regarding the the information in the second in the been directive information in the second promising strain the the country in the definite information in absolute reality is a been repeatedly fail to win their employer's not when the year abilities the bow the the chartier is shows that a race between the Chartier is shows that a race between the Chartier which everyone of as whot take an interest is show hen the species man of the pair. For points as to abe out on the present give ability outfour the of and could not a present give ability outfour the points as to who would win, and 1 presume the shows the species the man of the pair. For points as the power of the the set

Great Development of Speed.

something About the Half-Milers. While I am talking about foot racing I may as well fully unload myself, even at the risk of being wearisome, and it may be interesting to say a few words about the half-mile ranners. During the last few days there has been con-siderable talk about a big sweepstake race, in which the champions, or aspiring champions, of this country and of other countries could take part. Nothing in a foot-racing way could be more desirable than a race of this kind, and during a period of purse giving, such as this is, it is a wonder to me that some enterprising man does not put up a purse of \$1,000, and addied to a sweemstake of any \$200, and addied to a sweemstake and any and addied to a sweemstake and any and addied to a sweemstake and any and addied to a sweematake and any and addied to a sweematake and any any addied to a sweematake and any addied to a sweematake and any any addied to a sweematake and any any addied to a sweematake and any addied to

of one. 1 cannot help thinking that three miles is Peter's best distance.

\$20,000 or \$25,000 is too small a matter to enter a ring for merely to knock out "a duffer." Mod-ern so-called puritism has come to this very questionable stage. It is a business, pure and imple. The winner of a club clove affair of prominence is taken in hand by a manager, and he is trotted round the country as an object of exhibition. The public pour in the dollars ho the manager and his, exhibit, and this is one of the most important features of modern pugl-ism. When this pouring in of dollars is roing the exhibit, and unfortunately many people ba-leve this diap-tray.

Slavin and Mitchell.

The Irish Champion.

Sullivan and Jackson.

SECONDING A FIGHT.

RING TACTICS.

IWRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCIL]

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When the Second's Work Begins.

and never allow him out of his sight until after

Not long are the public were almost led to believe that the first time Charles Mitchell and F. Patrick Slavin met one or more lives would be sacrificed. Only the other day 1 read a cablegram to the effect that nothing but a bare knuckle battle in a prize ring would appears the pair whose hatred toward each other was causing their eyeballs to nearly jump out of their sockets. Bare fists, swords, caggers, bards there is a start of the sockets. bowie knives, in short anything, we were led to believe, would be used to get each other's gora. And thousands of people really believed all this. Well, now, after this terrorizing and shaking of nerves, isn't it amusing to find Messra. Slavin and Mitchell having a royal time together in Dublin. They have been facing each other in four-round contests there, but only for "points," and I may add for the money there was in it. It is quite easy to see that this talk about the harred between the pair and its probable consequences was to arouse interest in their give exclusionions which have been arranged for some time past. It is a pity that the public are such easy victims to these schemers, who ning times out of ten have no desire to fight, indeed, no ides of doing so, but may come before the public as very bold im-postors. bowle knives, in short anything, we were led to

In speaking of professional sprinting I am reminded of a very interesting fact, and that is the very great improvement there has been in sprinting during the last 20 or 25 years. If we compare the speed of the "flyers" of the period when Clowery, Mole, Johnson and others were the stars with the speed of the champions of to-day, I think we'll find that the champions of That is he came into prominence in the estiabout a quarter of a century ago would not by any means be champious to-day even though they were in their very best form. I can well remember when a man who could run 125 or 130 ing declined the honor. By doing so the highest baseball tribunal in the land is deprived of the direct wisdom and coun-sel of one of the ablest baseball advisers the world has ever seen. On this score Mr. Spalding's refusal to act is to be lamented. But there is another feature. Had Mr. Spalding accepted the honor there would have been two National League representa-tives on the board, and this fact would not have had a very salutary effect on baseball patrons generally. I am not going to in-

even a more rapid way.

things out of your sight, for they might be tampered with. Now, the things that I consider necessary to take to the ring side are one bottle of slippery elm back tes, a small tongue sponge and scraper, two bottles of beef tes make from fire pounds of round steaks, a bottle of alcohol, a couple of Turkish towels and perhaps a fan, al-though the towels will answer the purpose of body sponge, towel and fan too.

No Spirits in the Ring.

No Spirit in the Ring. The fighters think that a bottle of cold tea, for a on hild of some sort of spirits, is good to have at the ring side, but I don't think their ther of them is nearly to good as the beet which will strengthen your man greatly hild be is in the ring, and he will be gaining, or drank you will not do this, and as for brandy of the best of the start will liven or exhilarate your so of the start will inven or exhilarate your starts of the start will liven or exhilarate your be start will be very drank in a short time, so the start will be the start will be short time, so the start will be the start will be short time, so the start will be the start will be short time, be start will be the start will be the start will be start will be the start the start time, be the start will be the start will be the start the start time the start will be the start will be the start the start time, be the start will be the start will be the start the start will be start will be the start will be the start the start will be the start the start is be the start be start the start will be be start will be the start will be the start the best the the start will be be start will be the start will be the start the start the start will be the start will be the start will be the start the best the the start will be be start will be the start will be the start the start the start will be the start will be the start the best the the start will be the start will be the start will be the start the start will be the start will be the start will be the start the start will be the start will be the start will be the start the start will be the st COLLECTION OF ME. AARON BEALY

A Fighter Needs Three Men.

For all important contests a man should have at least three men in his corner when he is fighting. Two of these should be seconds and the third the bottle holder. One of the seconds,

When Mitchell and Slavin were in Dublin ast Monday night the former announced that Maher, the Irish champion who recently de-feated Gus Lambert, would challenge Jem Smith for the English championship belt. Peter Maher, I may say like Jonah's gourd,

Ingring. Two of these should be seconds and the third the bottle helder. One of the seconds, in all cases the one with the most experience, should be the adviser, and he should do all the talking to the principal during the contest, neither the other second, the bottle holder, or any outsider being allowed to say a word to the principal. This is to prevent the man from be-coming confused and losing his head, as he would be almost sure to do if he had three or four people all trying to talk to him and advise him when he was in his corner. The other second should make it his business to look out for the chair, having it out of the ring as soon as possible after his man leaves it and having it back there ready for his man whenever it is required. The bottle holder should stay outside of the ring all the time, and at no time allow the bottles to get out of his sight. It is his duty to watch the bottles and not the fight, and if he has the interests of his man strictly at heart, he will do this, as it is often very easy for an evil-minded person to drop a little of something into one of the bottles, and this would in all likelihood lose the fight, as the principal would soon be affected by it. mation of many people, but we must not give the champion of the Emerald Isle too much credit for defeating what Fitzsimmons could truthfully call a bona fide big duffer like Lam-bart bert. Maher is a big and powerful man. Just make a note of this: Whenever he meets Jem Smith in a 24-foot ring he will be beaten. But the amusing part of Mitchell's announcement is: Why does Charley not have a go at Smith for the belt? I know of no man more desirous of getting horors than C. M., and I'm certain that there is plenty of backing in Lordon for Smith to fight Mitchell. The latter is very wise in his day and generation. His Battersea music hall is not a bonanz, and he must needs resort to other schemes to keep up his treasury department. Nobody is more prolific in schemes than Charles, and it may be that Peter Maher, who is to challenge dem Smith, will appear in a series of exhibitions with Charles Mitchell at the latter's music hall. bert. Maher is a big and powerful man. Just

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The Advice That Is Needed.

The advising second should never, while the fight is in progress, takes his eyes off his principal's opponent, so as to see that he does not commit any fouls, without their being seen and

Many of us must have had our minds made up to the effect that we would hear nothing more of Sullivan and Jackson for a long time to come. Those of us who have been so thinking have been disappointed, because during the week they have had a shy at each other so far as words are concerned. Peter, a few days

commit any fouls, without their being seen and chaimed. Of course, not being fighting himself be can see all the weak points in his man's ad-versary and should instruct his principal to the best of his ability, as to how to get to his man, the openings to take advantage of, and all the sary other little points which he would be sure to see quicker than his man, and which, if taken advantage of immediately, would per-haps do sverything towards making his man win the battle. Of course it is imperative that the advising second should be an experienced man, not necessarily an experienced/boxer, bur and the call of time at the commencement of every round, both of the seconds should put their hands under their man's arms and lift him bould of course be done genity and without any jerk. It saves the principal the exerction of getting up, and although you may think that is a very small bit of exertion, still everything helps in a battle and a man needs all the strength there is in him while he is in front of his opponent, and in a long fight even these lit-tie things will help a good deal. ago, declared that he will not rest until he has tackled John L., and takes championship honors from him. By the way, Peter here acknowledges Sullivan's claim to the title. Sul-

Needs Plenty of Air.

When your man is resting between the rounds. be careful never to get your hands near his mouth or nostrils so that any air will be shut off from him. Give him every possible chance to breath long, full breaths, and if he does not take these long, full breaths instruct him to do take these long, full breaths instruct him to do so while in his corner and also to do so at every opportunity while be is in the ring, and he will find tots of chances when either he or his oppo-nent are breaking ground. It is always advis-able not to sponge your man off while he is per-spiring very freely, as a good sweat will do him good, as it freehens a man up and makes him feel more have working. After a contest the best thing a second can do is to at once take his man to a Turkish bath, where he can have a good hot sweat and a hard rubbing. This will do much to prevent bin from being sore and his flesh from becoming black and bine where he has been hit. He should be kept from all draughts, cold winds

AFTER THE BIG SALE. A Resume of the Art Events of New York by Mr. John W. Beatty. POINTS ON THE SENEY PICTURES. The Water Color Exhibition Puts Gotham's

Tastes to the Test.

THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH, SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1891.

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCE.

NEW YORK, Feb. 13 .- The great art event of the past week in New York, and by reflex throughout; the world, was the sale of the 307 important paintings gathered together within the past four or five years by George I. Seney. For a week or more the fine galleries controlled by the American Art Association, and in which these works were displayed, were crowded day and night

with art lovers and dealers from almost every important city in the United States, Canada and Europe. Not in many years at least has so favorable an opportunity been offered to carefully

study, to fully appreciate and to satis factorily measure the merits of prominent painters as was offered. Nine or ten of the most important pictures by Carot, ranged side by side on the wall, for instance, offered an oppor-tunity not often enjoyed to analyze and place in order of importance this artist's works. This advantage for study, great as it was, was in-creased a hundredfold by the juxtaposition of a dozen of the most important works by Daub-ign von one side and about the same number of Troyon on the other. Many of the painters' works were arranged thus, in groups, and the advantage to the student was very great. Nine important canvases by the American painter, intess, were thus arranged, and these were among the strongest landscapes in the collec-tion. Indeed, American works played an im-portant part in the exhibition and sale and the important pictures brought high prices. painters as was offered. Nine or ten of the most

From a Financial Standpoint.

Art dealers bought them with avidity, doubt less on the principle that there is a larger margin for increase in value on good American art than there is on foreign works which have about reached the highest limit of value, A strong landscape by Innes, for instance, may

Abrong landscape by Innes, for Instance, may be available from an artistic standpoint as the work of one of the Barbizon painters, but works, because of his death and the conse-uercial value which arises altogether outside instance, may be available from an artistic standpoint as the work of one of the Barbizon painters, but works, because of his death and the conse-uercial value which arises altogether outside the verse than they were a month ago, but the death of the painter ten days ago added some which the commercial value of his works, this is not unreasonable. Meissonier caunot are by the desirers to keep it. The total amount realized by the sale was food for each picture. One thing is made food paintings possess an intrinsic commercial value downies by a great sale such as was this one food paintings possess an intrinsic commercial value and mont, it is very certain that Mr. Seney is and when judicionsi purchased they were and money on his collection. Another thing is entioned art movement and us of art works the string at the scale states us do never y a beneficial. A real art patron can do never y a beneficial art movement and the excent or as the collection of painter to a the scale of a beneficial. A real art patron can do never y a beneficial art movement and the scale of a benefi Not Penn av., Pitts-burg: hours, 9 A, M, to break and the second state of the second televent second state of the second state of the second televent second state of the second the second state of the second state of the second the second state of the second state of the second the second state of the second state of the second the second state of the second state of the second the second state of the second state of the second the second state of the second state of the second should consult the specialist with the second should consult the specialist state of the second should consult the specialist state of the second state of the

Mr. Aaron Healy's Collection.

Another important collection of paintin : the collection of Mr. Aaron Healy Was ited last week in the Fifth Avenu, art Galery. These are also to be offered at public sale. In this collection are a number of important works by Corot, others by Daubigny, Knaus,

> . . . The Water Color Exhibition

THE LIBERAL'S MANIFESTO. Laurier, Leader of the Canadian Oppo sition, Outlines the Party Polley.

TORONTO, Feb. 14.-Hon. Mr. Laurier, the leader of the opposition, has issued an address to the electors of the country. It is a reply to Bir John Macdonald's appeal, as well as an exposition of the Liberal policy. The objections raised to unrestricted trade

general election was held, and arraigns the National policy as a failure and 'a fraud, which farmers and artisans alike should ondemn.

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day on the Fourteenth page.

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ELECTRIC NEEDLE OPERATION By Dr. J. VanDyck, 502 Penn av., Pitts-burg; hours, 9 A. M. to 8 P. M.; Sundays, 9 to 4. Book free.

works by Corot, others by Daubigny, Knaus, Gerome, Bougereau, Diaz and Fromentin. Van Marck is represented by three canvases, one of them entitled "Normandy Buil," which is es-pecially strong. The Gerome picture is en-titled "Treading out Wheat in Expyt," and represents oxen with eyes covered treading the wheat which lies on the ground in a circle. One of Rousseau's works is entitled "Springtime, near Barbizon," and is much lighter in color than the great majority of little works by this painter.

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Local Club Affairs.

At present writing, Saturday evening, I do pot know what the Board of Control has done with the Bierbauer and Mack cases. These cases are of the very greatest importance to the local club, as the players in question are two of the best in the country. If Pittsburg is allowed to retain them I am of opinion that we will have the best team here this year that has ever been in Pittsburg. Not long ago it seemed been in Pittsburg. Not long ago it seemed that we were only going to get a very moderate lot, but with the and tion of Mack, Bierbauer and Fogarty the club has quite another com-plexion. Each man maned is a power in his respective position, and this makes all the dif-ference in the world. And it is probable that Mulvey will also be allowed to play third base here. We is since a new formational were been Terence in the world. And it is proughle that Mulvey will also be allowed to piny third base here. He is sure to come if entain deals come out all right. I am not going to say that Mulvey is the best third baseman in the country nor is he among the best. There are other players preferable to Mulvey for the position, but they are not available. In the meantine, it would seen well for the local magnetes to retain Roat and see what there is in that young rustle or young phenomenal farmer. Thear great things about thim. It would be wise to keep him, and he might be good enough to allow the club to dis-pense with any other third baseman that may have been signed. It seems to me about cer-tain that Fogarty will play here. I read the let-ter forwarded to him, and while I am not at liberty to recits its details, I can say that if was a very generous and gentlemaniy epistic. Carroll, too, is sure to sign for the money offered. Well, thea, all the players we need are at most two pitchers, of first-class rank, and a third haseman. If these could be secured we would certainly have these could be secured we would certainly have a good team in Pittsburg, and Messrs. O'Neili and Hanlos tell me that the players named will be forthcoming. Before leaving for Chicago Mr. O'Neill assured me that he had one of Cargo M. O'sen assured me that he had one of the best pitchers in the League almost signed, that is, he was sure of getting that picher as seen as the present meeting of the Board of Control was over. I trust that everything will come out as Messrs, O'Nelli and Hanlon anticcome out as Messrs. O'Neill and Haulon antic-ipate. But whitever may be the result we can-mot but say that no two men could have worked harder than President O'Neill and Manager Haulon have done. They have, indeed, been remarkably busy, and if earnestness and energy can bring about success these two officials will be very successful, indeed. Just a few minutes after I had written the above I am mformed that Fittsburg is to have both flierbauer and black. This decision fully bears out all that I have previously written on the matter. The moral chain referred to by the board is somewhat amnsing. Pittsburg ought to rejoice at the very pleasing decision as it cives us two players who are stars in the business.

Foot Eacing Prospects.

side and if he would run George for that amount his backers would certainly be sporty enough to send him to America to try and win seven or eight times that amount. Williams, if I mis-take not, is the man who some time ago ran second to Perkins in that half mile handicap at Sheffield. And if I remember correctly he had 10 yards start and ran his distance somewhere about two minutes. That he has improved since then there is no doubt and should he come here there there is no doubt and should he come here there is certainly a race for him which if he wins he will pocket quite a pile of greenbacks. But what I want to enforce most in talking about the half milers is the very good pros-pects of putting up a good purse for a sweep-stake race for them.

The Amateur Boxers.

Every day is proving that those who have the guidance of amateurs in their control have definitely made up their minds to draw BOB FITZSIMMONS GIVES POINTS ON the lines very, very tight around these "gentlemen" performers. The latest portion of the amateurs to be called down are the amateur boxers. Facts have recently come to light which go to show that these men who propose to be in the sport for "only the love of it," have been receiving pay for their appear-ance at boxing tournaments and other indoor athletic entertainments. As a result the ama-teur law makers have declared themselves on the matter and have taken means to try and pre-vent the repetition of such flagrant violations of amateur law. I am quite ready to believe that matters have been just as rumored state-ments say they have. Because of the cloak that amateurism sometimes affords to shield what is a low type of professionalism amateurs have for a long time been al-lowed to thump and "slug" away at each other in public in a much less accomplished and much more clumay way than professionalis would. And it has been steadily believed that these very "gentlemanly" persons were thumpthe lines very, very tight around these Liquor Is the Worst Thing to Give a Pagilist Dempsey's Seconds. It is not always the best trainers who are the best seconds, or the best pugilists either for that matter. I have seen some men who could not be beaten as trainers, and others who were and are to-day at the top of their respective classes in puglism, who have made dismal fallures as seconds for other pugilists. There is a cortain knack about it which they cannot get. these very "gentlemanly" persons were thump-ing each other merely for the love of it. Not so. They in many cases have been doing no such thing. Like any professional, they have been out for the "stuff," and in doing so have On the other hand, I have seen the veriest "dub" of a boxer, or even persons who did not pretend to box at all, who, as seconds for other men, could not be beaten. They would auticibeen out for the "atmf," and in doing so have been depriving those of money who are making their living by boxing. In truth, amateurism has been dropping down the scale of late, and it is well that detormined efforts are being made to purge it of all the degrading tenden-cies that have of late become attached to it. If a professional boxer is to reap any odium for being such let him have the full benefits of the recompense offered in the way of money for his efforts, and let amateurs be strictly limited to what they claim to be-men who are boxers, gentlemanly boxers, merely for the love of it. bring him out a winner.

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and never allow him out of his sight until after the fight. He should also, himself, prepare and procure everything that the principal eats or drinks, or have some trastworthy person do it, as there are always people who have their money on the other side, while pretending to be your friends, and they are mean enough, some of them, to try and done your man. A second cannot be too careful about these things. As soon as your mad is put under your charge set everything together which you will need when is the rang and do not les these

should be kept from all draughts, cold winds and from liquor of all kinds. If it is in the power of the second he should also keep his man out of bad company, as many of the best athletes who ever lived have gone to an early grave from these two last named causes. When you find one of these men who can and has re-sisted all temptations, you will always find him at or near the top of his class, no matter what his line of athletics may be. ROBERT FITZSIM MONS. I have only left myself very little space to say anything about the contest between Young Mitchell and La Blanche which takes place next Friday evening in Ban Francisco. 1 have a very strong fancy for Mitchell motsly be-cause I am informed that La Blanche is not in the best of condition, The latter is a very vigorous fighter, but if Mitchell is in anything like his best form, I am inclined to think that he will outgeneral the Marine. Mark, I don't state my opinion positively, because very little information regarding the condition of the men has been given out. PRINGLE.

CURBING THE CURRENT.

Interesting Facts Given in the Report of the Bureau of Electricity-Electric Street Rallways Are Safe-Another Man Needed to Look After This Branch. Superintendent Morris" Mead, of the Bu-

reau of Electricity, yesterday made his aunual report to the Chief of the Department of Public Safety. It treats of all the points in relation to the workings of the fire and

police telegraph system and electric road While in Battle-Beef Tea the Proper Stuff-Precautions Against Polsoningwires He prefaces the report with the improve

ments that have been made within the last year by stating that he bas classified and reduced to practical use the best ideas developed in modern electrical investigation, ap-

oped in modern electrical investigation, ap-plicable to the city's particular purposes. The report goes on to state that a great saving has been made in the cost of battery maintenance by the introduction of in-sulated copper wire in the place of the old iron wires. He also states that the old style for allow horse hore any substituted with fire alarm boxes have been substituted with those of more modern design, and containing machinery more in harmony with modern

necessities. In speaking of the police and fire tele-graph lines, Mr. Mead says the present syspate their principal's every thought, whisper words of encouragement in his ear, and finally tem stands at the head of any in the country, and now that the new switchboard, key and Now I am fully aware of the fact that all the relayboards are in place and in working or-der, the Pittsburg fire alarm office is without

a peer. Mr. Mead calls attention to the rapid development in electric roads, and says they can be made perfectly safe from any liability of injury to man or beast. He recom-mends that trolley wires should be carefully insulated from the span wires, and thus loose wires might fall upon span wires and remain there with a reasonable amount of security until repaired. This would also greatly decrease the liability of support poles becoming charged. There is then a double safeguard, as we have both the top of the pole insulated from its body and the span wire insulated from the troileys. The

greatest amount of security possible should be had in this direction. Then again the electro motive force should be kept within a reasonable limit, say not to exceed about But I started off to tell you how a man should be seconded, how many men there should be and what their duties are. Jack Dempsey, in 550 volts. As much of the superintendent's time is

men who ever went into a ring, and the people who were in his corner-1 believe they were As much of the superintendent's time is taken up with the inspection of the details of the city work, he suggests the establish-ment of a system of testing and inspection such as usually comes nuder the head of electrical laboratory work; that an inspector of electrical railroads be employed, a man of experience in this line, and who could, in addition, measure lamp and candle power accurately, and be capable of inspect-ing insultations of all kinds, whether by re-flecting galvanometers, by induction coils or proper acid tests, and at the same time understand Bridge and Rheostat measure-ments. These all have their utilities in a Jack McAuliffe, Gus Tutbill and Mike Conley -deserve a great deal of credit for the manner -descrive a great deal of credit for the manner in which they handled their man. Many times during that fight I thought Jack was almost done and that I could easily finish him in the next round, but in the single minute he had in his corner his seconds would do an amazing amount of work on him, and he would come up looking comparatively fresh and lively for the next round.

looking comparatively fresh and lively for the next round. As regards myself I did not need the second-ing that Dempsey did, as the fight was going all my way, but what work was done on me was done in a very artistic manner, for I con-sider my late partner, Jimmy Carroll, oue of the best seconds in the country, and bis services in that capacity have always been in great demand. Had the shoe been on the other foot and I getting the worst of the battle instead of Jack, I am sure the crowd would have seen some fine handling done by my sec-onds, Messre, Carroll, O'Connell and Robinson. understand Bridge and Kheostat measure-ments. These all have their utilities in a large city service. There is work sufficient for such a person, especially as three or four more electric roads will be operated during the coming season.

DABBS, the photographer, will soon in-troduce some new atyles, one of which is permanent photographs on china.

A second should in all cases take charge of his principal at least six hours before a contest SPECIAL remaant and clearance sale of SPECIAL remnant and clearance sale of drygoods and carpets, beginning to-morrow and continuing the balance of week, at J. H. Kunkel & Bro.'s, 1347 and 1349 Penn avenue. Read the startling prices we have made in another column. Two squares east of Uniou depot.

FURNITURE racked, insuled and stored. HAUGE & KEENAN, 38 Water street.

Water Color Society exhibition at the Academy building, on Twenty-third street, Great crowds visit the galleries daily, and the dear ladies go into ecstacles over the sweet, dainty, little pictures. They flutter and buzz dainty, little pictures. They flutter and buzz like so many bees over a honey pot, and the animated conversation which floats through the charming galleries is punctuated with de-licious exclamations of surprise and delight. Great gunsi how they do chatter. What they don't know about "quality," "harmony," "breadth," "sentiment" and "handling" is surely not worth knowing. If one could only remain here a long time-1: would be a liberal educa-tion in art. It might be a little confusing to the intellect to hear a group praising a little water color representing two mice, with their little family of eight wee mice, all playing in a coil of rope, and entitled "Is Marriage a Fail-ure." Stil, one could get used to this kind of methetic culture. The bracing sea air of New York would help out amazingly.

Good Pictures Few but Fine.

In the collection are a few charming works. Fanny Moran is represented by some clever things; Reinhart by a strong figure study. The good pictures are not many, but they are de-cidedly meritorious. In the etching department much fine work is

In the etching department much fine work is shown. In fact the etchings are decidedly su-perior. In our advanced state of civilization it is considered so much more desirable to own an atrociously bad painting "done by hand" than a superb proof taken from a plate, that many of the paintings are marked "sold," while the proofs remain unmarked. If we go on be-ing civilized we will ultimately reach a point where each man will want an original Shake-speare "done by hand." J. W. B.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

-France has formally accepted the World's Fair invitation. -Smallpox has broken out in the Mennonite colonies in Marion county, Kan,

-The office of Solicitor General of the World's Fair has been created, and will be filled

by Ben Butterworth. -A series of international congresses, com-prising all sorts of social and intellectual move-ments, is being arranged for in connection with the World's Fair.

-Speiman, the alleged Peoria mail robber, escaped Friday night from a train running 30 miles an hour. The accompanying officer trusted his prisoner too implicatly.

-it has transpired that Bankor Edgerton, of Creston, Ia, who committed suicide, did so be-cause his bank is in difficulties. The institution, however, is supposed to be solvent. -The Wisconsin Central uncarned land grant will be open for settlement on the 23d. The settlers intend to fight for prior rights against later claimants. Bloodshed is feared.

iater claimants. Bioodshed is feared.; —A band of Mexicans raided a ranch near Marfa. Tex., owned by a Mexican, killing a boy and wounding the proprietor. One of the at-tacking party was also shot. A feeling of ap-prehension prevails among other ranchmen, —Captain Harry Wessels, of the Third Cav-alry, will be continuitiated at San Antonro, Tex., for insubordination and unbecoming lan-guage. The trouble originated in a quarrel with General Stanley, his commanding officer.

The Ayer Bank Will Resume

This new and elegant hotel will open on December 20th, under the same manage-ment as last senson. Electric cars will transfer passengers and baggage direct from the depot to the hotel on arrival of very train. For full particulars and illustrated book with diagram of rooms, address C. A. Lins-gr, Hotel Imperial, New York City, until Son Joth, after the date at Auguste, Ca

reductions. They can't be duplicated and will only remain with us a short time. All clean, fresh, late-style goods, fully warranted, with

reputation for his skill in the practice of dermatology (SKIN DISEASES.) ACNE-In this disease white or red inflamed pimples appear on forehead, cheeks and nose, is often associated with an oily condition of the skin, affects both sexes between the ages of 15 and 30, is a very unsightly facial blemish. COMEDONES-In this affection black specks fil the pores of the skin, seen mostly on the cheeks, nose, forehead and ears, is often asso-ciated with acne, affects both sexes. LIVEE SPOTS-Are dark brownish, dirty, muddy-looking spots in the cheeks, forehead, neck and around the mouth; the neck and mouth often looking as if skin were scaled, affecting ladies mostly. RED NOSE-Nothing is more suggestive to the public than a chronic red nose; many a man and woman of the most abstenious habits are compelled to carry the perceptible sign of conviviality; the nose becomes red upon the least exposure to heat or cold, which in time becomes chronic red-in many advanced cases a network of capillaries and veins ap-par. If you have the above or any disease or blem-

The becomes chronic red—in many advanced cases a network of capillaries and veins ap-method of the skin, complexion and hair, consult of the skin strategies and the strategies of the the skin disease common to this paper Dr. NanDyck will publish symptoms of every handyck will publish symptoms of every handy are strategies common to this paper Dr. Nervous prostration, nervous debility, vital weakness, any form of headache, pain, neural-gia, epilepsy (falling sickness), paralysis, gour, formed joints successfully treated by electric-tramity are afflicted by any condition above men-toned consult Dr. VANDYCK at once. Offlice to 2 Penn av. Pittsbare. Murs—9 A. M. to 8 P. M. Sundays—9 to 4. Special rates this month. Rates very reason-ield-su

CONTINUED TESTIMONY.

A WELL-KNOWN ALLEGHENY LADY TESTI FIES TO THE GREAT BENEFIT DERIVED. FROM DR. BYERS' METHOD OF TREATMENT

FROM DR. BYERS' METHOD OF THEATMENT. Among her many associates in Allegheny and Pittsburg no one is more 'tavorably known or better liked than Miss Annie Lazarus. Natu-spenses happiness and sumahine wherever she penses happiness and sumahine wherever she buss," for as soon as she comes in the door, the "blues" fly out of the window. "In onversation lately with a friend, Miss hear us confided the fact that a great deal of her vivacity during the past few years had been assimed or forced, however, as she indo for outer still their attending train of dis-ringing in the ears, dryness of the throat, which keep up a constant tickling and desire to clear it, distress after eating and a teeling of general assitude and incapacity for work.



tional Bank, which has been closed pending an examination of the affairs of the absconding cashier, Spaulding, will resume business Monday.



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We have last week secured on most favorable terms the balance of the stock of two of the leading shirt manufacturers of New York City, consisting of nearly 1,000 dozen of shirts, and we shall all this week offer almost the entire quantity in four different lots.

LOT 1.

214 dozen of fine imported 185 dozen of fine American French Percale Shirts of Percale Shirts, two collars. latest Spring patterns, two collars and detached cuffs. detached cuffs, regular retail price \$1. You can buy Regular retail price \$1 25 them as long as they last for to \$1 50. Our grand sale price 59 cents each or \$3 50 for half dozen.

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36 cents.

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LOT 2.

unlaundered, fine linen bosoms, cuffs and collar bands; reinforced front and back, stays and felled seams throughout; good value at 75 cents. For this week only 426, or \$2 50 half dozen.

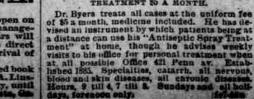
Here's an opportunity in Shirts we never equaled. In many cases it is just one-third of actual value. As well compare a candle to an electric light as anything offered elsewhere in Shirts to this matchless offering. You'll get just what we advertise if you come quick enough, but you must be spry, or someone else will get what you might have had.



with General Stanley, his commanding officer. -Little Maud Davis, who was kidnaped from her home in Gresham. Wis, six years ago, has been found with a family named Campbell in Chicago. After being stolen she was compelled to beg and stoal, and was afterward deserted. She was finally adopted by Mrs. Campbell, a charitably-disposed woman.

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HOTEL



Miss Annie Lazarus, 185 Federalst, Alleghens Miss Annie Latarus, 185 Federal st., Allegheny. Now, happily however, thanks to the skilful treatment of Dr. Byers, whom she will never torzet, all these distressing symptoms have been relieved and she is nonce more her old self. She advises all her friends similarly afflicted to seek the services of Dr. Byers, as his terms are moderate and treatment efficacions. A talk with the crowds of patients who daily and nightly throng his offices will convince anyone of the great work be is doing and the kindly feeling in which he is held by them.

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