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# A REVIEW OF SPORTS,

Various Phases of the Astonishing Action of the American Baseball Association.

CAUSES OF THE BREAK AWAY.

Absurdity of the Claim That Mr. Thurman Was a Partisan Representative on the Board.

MITCHELL'S DEFEAT OF LA BLANCHE.

### A Better Class of Middle-Weights to the Front-The Intentions of Champion Fitzsimmons.

Surely the immortal bard of Avon had a very correct idea of human nature when he spoke about that class of people who when clothed with a little power play such fantastic tricks before high heaven as do make the angels weep. The kind of characters referred to are to be found to-day and in goodly numbers. The American Association is being led to its death by some of them; it is being strangled and all because two or three individuals, who at best are only puffs, have an illusory notion they are whiriwinds. As a result once more the Na. tional League is under seige; it is threatened with destruction, body and soul, and if the puffed-up little people referred to have their way all the safeguards of the national same will be trampled under foot and all the good work that has been done at enormous cost scattered to the four winds. This may be somewhat surprising to some, as it was only the other day that we were all shaking hands with each other because the hatchet had been buried and peace and good will were once more reigning. But, oh; dear met a Lilliputian rabble, a motiey little nd, the brains of whom would not out-class either in quantity or quality six ounces of the coarsest candy made in the lowest slums in the country. This, then, is the material that is to rame the League to the ground, and these are the individuals who are chattering and spluttering about the elevation of the game.

### Features of the Trouble.

Now, let nobody think that I look upon the present trouble as a fight. I do no such thing. The inequality of the two parties kills all notion of a fight. If some giants lived in the interior of the pyramid, and a number of puny dwarfs, to a provide the property of the providence of the property of the property of the property of the providence of the providence of the property of the providence of the provi at all; but the studid dwarfs would exhaust themselves in value and foolishly trying to de-molish or injure the abode of the giants. Why the tesnits to the dwarfs would be no more satisfactory than would be the packing of a sparrow that was trying to peck a meal from a polished iron beam. Now that is just how mat-ters stand in baseball affairs to day. The Asso-ciation may bgot away, but there is no necessity for the League to fight; all that the latter need do is just to reach out for anything or anybody it wants, and it will be forthcoming. I am wrong, am 17 Why just as sure as we live, if Melly and the little man Irwin had yet been in the League, or lind they even be n policed favorably by the League we would have never heard tell of them as wreckers, or, heard tell of them as wreckers, or, more correctly, would-be wreckers. Poor deluded creatures, and also deluding creatures. But it may be that they exposite creatures. But it may be that they expect to accomplish what they, aided by much abler men, failed to accomplish last year. If it really is a fact that any such like expectations are in their minds then they are bigger fools than I have imagined they were. Depend upon it, what the late P. L failed to do the As-sectation with as many Kelys, Irwins and Barnies as they can count will not accomplish. There was some tanglishiny of course, for the P. L revolt, but goodness knows the Associa-tion has chosen its new path under the rotten-est protest ever planued lefore the public. The lattor cannot be hood winked now, and it is the duty of the public to get its feet firmly down on all such defamers of the national game as those persons who are now causing trouble. The very way in which this break away has been made and the way in which it is appar-ently going to be continued show what a

The Duty of Players. At a time such as this it would be well for every ball player in the country to consider carefully before signing to play for any club

that is outside the national agreement. It really is the duty of players to do this if they want to remain in the business, because as sure as life there will be some "cutting heads off" this time. Players in this instance have everything to lose and they would only be used as tools at least by these who are trying to injure the League. It these who are trying to injure the League. It puzzles me to know how the Association can hold its own, financially, even if it should have pursues me to know how the Association can hold its own, financially, even if it should have Cinclinati all to Itself, and in view of the prob-ability of financial failure, promised big sala-ries don't amount to much. What show will Prince and his club have against the Boston Lague team? Just think of such baseball cities as Washington and Louisville. The organization that proposes war on the League is made up of cities such as named. On the other hand the League has Chicago, Brooklyn, New York, Boston and Pittsburz, which is un-doubtedly one of the best with a good team in it. But all these good and crofitable cities are under the national agreement and that is worth considerable. Then comes the question: Where would a sensible and good player go? Why, to the League, to be sure. There is another view of it: If the Association commences the sea-son and some of its clubs collapse before the soason is out, where will the players go? Those who have signed since this trouble began need not expect to look to the League. Promising young players, who, from now on, sign with the Association need never to apply to any other organization. It seems to me that, as a result of this trouble, several player so barme. A Wreeker's Advocate. are they only have themselves to blame. A Wrecker's Advocate.

## It is often amusing to note the absurd pleas

gillist.

and gasping efforts of defense advocates of a rotten cause make. These advocates know they are in an unwholesome business and invariably their pleas are more like apologies than anything else. The other day I read the folthe nation," who were recently asked by Mr. Ernest Whitney to give their pronuplowing in an organ that has perched itself on the side of the wreckers. I give the extract as ciation of a list of 150 words, have furnished him with a veritable chaos of orthoepy. a specimen of logic and apology used by those who desire to champion the cause of the rene-Some of these cultured pronunciations are who desire to champion the cause of the rene-gades. Here it is: "No one can blame the As-sociation for its present attitude. The organi-ration was treated shamefully by the Board of Control, principally, however, by its own repre-sentative. In breaking away it not only evens up for injuries, but it has way the best of it. It has nothing to lose and everything to gain. It will nick up a dozen or more League players who have not yet signed contracts, and it will not lose any, as it burned the bridges behind it by signing all its desirable players before mak-ling the jump. The Association has the upper hand at the present writing. It is to be hoped that the war will be prevented. The most of the local enthusiasts would prefer to have the Cincinnati club in the League, but they will give the American Association a hearty receptruly "extraordinary" as 83 out of the 100 call it. Others are at any rate interesting as showing the variations between English and American pronunciations even of simple words. The short "a" is used by a large majority of the 100 in such words as "azure," "pageant," "patent," and even in "rather;" while the long "a" is preferred in "satyr," 64 per cent give "vase" as if it were spelt "vaice," "saunter" is pronounced "subnter." "Do-cile" is pronounced "dossle;" 70 and 80 per cent respectively give a long "i" sound to the first vowel in "dy-nasty" and "lichen." though 64 per cent render "isolate" as "issolate." give the American Association a hearty recep

### Under a Delusion.

The writer of the above is a good-hearted and jovial soul, but I am afraid that he has become desperate of late and desires to insult every intelligent reader who subscribes for the excellent paper on which he, the former joyial man, writes. One would have thought that the words were from the pen of Mr. Facing Both Ways. Here is a sample of the reasoning in it: "I: (the Association) will pick up a dozen or so League players who have not yet signed con-tracts." "The Association has the upper hand," but it is to be hoped that the war will be prevented." Dcar me, Just fancy a "war prevented" when the Association "will" take a dozen or two League ently going to be continued show what a stapid lot of noodles are managing Association

I was to some extent surprised at the poor stand made by the Marine, I was not at all sur-prised at the result. Referring to this Dattle EVENTS THAT COUNT.

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hast week I said: "I have a very strong fancy for Mitchell mostly because I am informed that La Blanche is not in the best of condition. The latter is a very vigorous Premier Rudini's Cabinet Inclines Toward Republicanism.

PITTSBURG DISPATCH.

EMPEROR WILLIAM'S AMBITION.

How the English Sparrows Were Brought Into This Country.

WILL OF THE LATE DUKE OF BEDFORD

WHITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH. The Sicilian statesman Di Rudini, who within a week or so has come into such

prominence as the

head of the new

Italian Ministry,

good material to

condition. The latter is a very vigorous fighter, but if Mitchell is in any-thing like his best form I am inclined to think that he will outgeneral the Marine." This keeps me right and of course those whe were influenced by my opinion would be on the right side once more. It is not necessary to say much about the battle. La Bianche was not in his best form but if he had been be could not have won because he was in front of a much better man than ever he was. And this leads us to the conclusion that we are, indeed, get-ting a much better class of middle-weights than we have had for a very long time. The truth is we have not had any hrst-class middle-weights have for some reason or other, steadily been carry-ing overweight and keeping themeselves in the heavy-weight class. From now on I think there will be a change and that a large number of purilists who have been rated as heavyweights will get down to their proper weights, and it will get down to their proper weights, and it pugnists who have been rated as heavyweights will get down to their proper weights, and it will be all the better for them. Take a man like Smith, of Denver, for instance. He is a powerful and active fellow, and i will be very much surprised if he cannot get down to mid-die-weight. If he was to get there he would, indeed, he a very dangerous opponent for any man in that class. But to refer to young Mitcheli again. I think he will bother the very best of them. He is a clever and effective pu-gilist. AF Fitzsimmons' Programme. Last week I made the remark that I would

assist him he may be successful in his efforts to quell the disturbances at present existing in that

battle. Of course, the challenge will be ac-Signor Nicotera. Government's afcepted, and then pugilist and manager will fairs. Undoubtedly the best of his appointcross the Atlantic and have a great time in England in the exhibition business. Hall and others can do what they choose to amuse themments is Guiseppe Sarraco, who has a wide reputation as a statesman and orator. His ability in matters of finance and public works have long ago been recognized. He was formerly a member of the Cabinet under Depretis, but retired in 1889.

By far the most remarkable of Signor di Rudini's appointments is that of Nicoters, than whom no more ardent Republican exists. He took part in the Neapolitan insurrection of 1848, and was among the followers of Pisacane when that individual attempted to raise the flag of revolt against the Bourbons in 1857. For his part in this

affair he was tried and condemed to desth. This decree being commuted to a life sentence, he was finally liberated by Garibaldi, and fought bravely thereafter under the latter's leadership. After the union of the Italian States he was elected to the Chamber of Deputies as an Extreme Republican, and his ability there won him a place in the Cabinet under Depretis in 1876 as Minister of the Interior, but his methods while in that effice were so obnoxious to his col-leagues that he gave way to Crispi the fol-lowing year. Since that time he has been implicated in quite a number of governmental scandals, and as one of the princh

pals in a duel in 1883 was almost expelled from membership in the Chamber. On the whole the appointments to mem-bership in the Italian Ministry so 'ar made, indicate a decided tendency to favor the Republican element.

Kaiser Wilhelm's Martial Ambition. Rumor gives as a reason for Count Waldersee's dismissal from the position of Chief of Staff of the German army, that he was too busily engaged in manipulating the wires to succeed Von Moltke as Marshal when the latter dies or retires, to please the fancy of the young emperor who intends to succeed Von Moltke himself. The Kniser's determination, together with his avowed intention of taking the field in person should occasion offer or demand it, has engendered comment in some circles as to his shility to do so, his youth being the main consider-

As Wilhelm is now over 30, there is really no necessity for alarm on that score. Some of the world's greatest military leaders have achieved fame at that ag' and most of them before it. Alexander the Great defeated the to English cars are "nenyoo" for "nephew," "lewtenant" for "lieutenant," and the long "e" sound for "leisure;" and in the case of one word, "mercantile," not a man of the hundred agrees with us in pronouncing the last syllable "tile," 67 giving it as "till," feet at Mitylene and otherwise distinguished himself be ore the age of 22. Hannibal was

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actually unknown. At first this mite of a bird was introduced through sentiment; then some one, whom the authorities and everybody else is looking for, told of their many good qualities as worm killers and suggested the idea of bringing them in quantities to this country to drive out the easker worms that infested our city trees. If a corcensus of amining wass then either at real estate in the latter country, and already Russian merchants have established large factories and stores in Tokio and other cities. If a concensus of opinion were taken at the present time, the canker worm would be ad-judged a huge success as far as individual opularity is concerned. When the warfare that has been waged against them in recent years is taken into consideration their rapid increase is simply wonderful. The first importation of sparions or any place where people may assemble, it being held by this tyrannical Governrows of which any record is known was eight pairs, brought over by the Brooklyn dissemination of heretical doctrines. WILKTE. ment that these institutions are used for the Institute in 1850. Two years atterward the same institution subscribed \$200 for the

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for most of which

things people do not

give him credit. They

same institution subscribed \$200 for the purchase of more, which were liberated in Greenwood Cemetery and vicinity. In 1854 Colonel William Rhodes and others intro-duced some of the little birds in Maine and an Ancient Holy Water Vessel That Rhode Island. In '60 and '64 several other colonies were liberated in New York, and St. Louis Republic. 1 The coin-in-the-slot machine was invented then a regular craze arose for them. Con-Talian Ministry, achieved but little fame in the past, but the future is before him, and as lected some very good material to the future is the source in '68; Charlestown, Mass., as many more the year following. The same season Philadelphia had it bad, bringing over 1,000 in one lot, which was without doubt the largest single importation ever made, and Cleveland, C., swelled the list with 40 more. probably by Ctesibius, who lived about 200

am 9-9-9 Within a few years afterward San Francisco, Cal., Salt Lake City, Halifax, Nova Scotia, and a number of places in Ohio, Wisconsin and Michigan invested in sparrows. Now, many of the State Governments have taken the matter of their removal in hand; several of those now in session having enactments before them. New York and

Michigan have already adopted laws which not only ask for their destruction but place are all depicted in the Pneumatics of Hero a premium on their heads. It is quite possible that within a short time the craze of Alexandria, and are, therefore, often as-cribed to Hero, who was simily a pupil of the elder philosopher. The first Latin edi-tion of the ancient manuscripts was pubto drive them out will be as general as that for their adoption a score of years since. lished by Commandine of Urbino in 1575,

The Coming Poet Laurente and from that work the pictures of the old Edwin Arnold's career is most remarkamachines here presented are copied. The first coin-in-the-slot machine was an ble. In articles on poems and poets in the

automatic salesman of holy water and was placed at the doors of the temple in Egypt. early part of the eighties no reference It gave a measured amount of water in re-turn for a coin of 5 drachmas just as a coin is made to either him or his "Light of of 5 cents works the modern one. The coin Asia." a work that (or perhaps several coins sggregating the required weight) being dropped into a slit in the top of a vase fell upon a little platwill last as long as De te the English language form carried by a pivoted lever. The other arm of this lever is connected by a cord to a erists and which had been issued several stopper which enters a small vessel contain-ing the holy water and arranged inside the years previously. At vase and fits in the top of a little pipe en-tering that vessel. The pipe communicates that time he was a hard toiling journalwith a favcet outside of the vase. When the coins were dropped in they fell upon the ist, who considered the work on his great poem as so much recreation for his the stopper entered the tube again, and the leisure hours. Now

water supply was stopped. The coins were, of course, retained in the body of the vase, Str Edwin Arnold, he is known and amous wherever books of any language are as the picture shows. read or understood; decorations of many or-ders and lands have been conferred upon

him, and the English Government has knighted him, which is without doubt a preliminary to making him successor to MONTREAL, Feb. 21 .- A personal friend of Sir John Macdonald says it is the latter's Tennyson as Poet Laureate when the time intention, if re-elected, to make overtures to Great Britain and Australia, with a view of To many who have read "The Light of arranging a mutual tariff against the rest of the world.

Asia," it seems hardly possible that anyone other than a believer in Buddhism could be its author, but "The Light of the World," n which Jesus Christ and the Christian faith are the themes, indicate that Sir Edwin's sympathies are unquestionably with the latter.

### Napoleon and the Hebrews.

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When one reads of the persecutions th Hebrews in Russia are now experiencing, the thought of how all this might have been different if Napoleon had succeeded in his lesigns oh that country becomes uppermost. Whether from motives of policy or human ty it is now impossible to say, but Boas parte gave his Hebrew subjects such rights as they had never enjoyed before in France when he came into power, and there is hardly any question but in the event of his subjugation of Russia he would have estab-lished the same laws there. However, the "if" was in the way, but it may be taken for granted that, although many men of



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"venison" as a three-syllable word, against 38, who cut out the middle. While the "h" in "nerb" is only used by 15 per cent, more than 60 per cent preserve it in "hostler" and "humorous," and 12 per cent still say "umble." Order than these to English ears are "neflyoo" for "nephew,"

Similarly large majorities gave a long "e" to "egotism" and a short "e" to "epoch." "Demonstrate" is accented on the second svilable by 53 against 40, and 57 vote for

players. Splendid way to prevent a war, isn't

others can do what they choose to amuse them-selves here in the meantime. All this is modern pugliken, you know. The show is greater than the ring, and all winners are alike in this respect. This latter-day club business has brought about the change and nobedy can well blame Fitzeim-mons and his manager for doing just what Dempsey, LaBlenche and others have already done. Matters will always be as they are until some very rigid rule is adouted and enforced done. Matters will always be as they are until some very rigid rule is adopted and enforced causing a champion to fight an aspirant to the title within six months at most. A refusal to do this ought to disqualify a man from holding any title whatever of a championship kind. and it is simply preposterous to force an as-pirant to find a stake of \$5,000 before he can at-tempt to win championship honors. This tempt to win championship ho feature ought also to be abolished. PRINGLE THE AMERICAN ENGLISH. One of John Bull's Newspapers Lectures

not be surprised if Fitzsimmons made arrange

ments to go to England as soon as his show en

gagements were done here. This is just what,

Fits and his manager are doing. They won't

accept any challenge in this country, but have

challenged the winner of the Burke-Pritchard

Us on Pronunc Newcastle (England) Chronicle.] One hundred Americans, "representing all cultured professions in all sections of

### Cause of the Trouble.

We have not far to go to divine the cause of this Association uprising. The alleged cause is the decision of the Board of Control in the cases of Mack, Bierbaur and Stovey. I say "alleged cause" because I am of opinion that that is not the real cause. But I shall now say a few words about it, be it real or alleged. The decision of the board was a just one by all means. When I say this I trust that, my readers will credit me with being unbiased on the matter, regardless of the fact that Pittsburg is interested in it. What I am now saying is my honest conviction regarding the case. From nonest conviction regarding the case. From the beginning of the controversy I have claimed that baseball in was all on the side of Pitts-burg. I said this of course, assuming that Bierbaur had not been reserved and that no-body had signed him prior to Pitts-hurg. Now evidence proved that this assumption was correct when that was proven why there was not even the combine of a perfor the Association nonple semblance of a peg for the Association people to stand upon. Mr. Wagner, who was claim-ing Bierbauer, knew this better than anybody

erwise except being directly contrary to the very plain provisions of baseball law. Indeed, the fairness of the decision stands on so painty and so forcebly that I canno brain myself to believe that Association magnates are making it the real cause for couff.ct or trouble.

### The Probable Real Cause.

But it strikes me that the real cause of this break-away is the desire of the Ascociation people to have a club in Cincinnati. It seems me that they had made up their minds to have a club in Cincennati by hook or crook, and have sensed on the Board of Control's action as a pretext for revolt. The Association was in The local migrades cannot desire any more adverted in the intermediate intermedi dire difficulties regarding its circuit. It only had seven cities and wanted the eighth.

The uncalled-for abuse that has been hurled at A. W. Tourman stauns the offenders as either the American Association or any other organization to have such characters in their I have an idea that a great number of people

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in? But, beyond all, where are the dozen or so of League nlayers? I mean players that the League really desires to hold. Sweeping and frothy assertions amount to nothing at all, and when our friend talks about "shameful treat-ment," etc., he is simply indulging in a lot of claptrap that cannot possibly lend any force to a cause among intelligent people. It would be far better if these persons who are lying in am-bush at every turning ready to aid in anything that has for its object disruption would for once make an effort to give some reasons for their conduct. Whatever may have been the real or alleged injuries administered to the Association in the past we must not forget that it is the present we are dealing with. If the supposed wrongs inflicted on the Association in the past were no more wrongs han the recent decision of the Bread of Upartol it is absolutely and to the were no more wrongs han the recent decision of the Board of Control, it is absolutely safe to of the Board of Control, it is absolutely sate to say that the Association has suffered no wrong at all. It has suffered by lack of baseball in-telligence among its leaders, and is so suffering now; indeed it is sick unto death. But the truth is that no matter who or what was in-clined to light the National League, there are a number of people who help that who or what no matter whether the cause was honorable or dishonorable to the lowest degree. What the League Should Do

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to stand upon. Mr. Wagner, who was claim ing Bierbauer, knew this better than anyboxy and I am only sorry that a gentieman of Mr. Wagner's mental ability allows himself to be influenced by such mental nondescripts as Kelly and Irwin. Well, is I have just stated the records showed that Bierbauer had neither burg signed him. The proprietors of the Atb-letic club had ialled to reserve either Stovey of Bierbauer and baseball haw distinctly demands that if a player is no reserved at the close of the season he can sign with whom he choose after waiting 10 days. Bierbauer waited more than 16 days and finally be signed with Pitts burg. The laiter was allowed to sign him simply because of the neglect of the Association Cardele sness was no the side of the Association fattor and baseball haw was on the side of the Association the season he cans sign with woold seem ridiculous on the part of anybody to object to the decision The decrime could not pressive to the decision the fairness of the decision the fairness at the decision standson: so painty and so forenby that I canno bring myself to believe that Association my agrates are maxing the fairness of the decision standson: so painty and so forenby that I canno bring myself to believe that Association my megnates are maxing the fairness of the decision standson: so painty and so forenby that I canno bring myself to believe that Association my megnates are maxing the fairness of the decision standson: so painty and so forenby that I canno bring myself to believe that Association my megnates are maxing the fairness of the decision standson: so painty and so forenby that I canno bring myself to believe that Association my megnates are maxing the distributes to perform. They must then may be instruction the fairness are maxing the distructions in the fairness are that far on bring myself to believe that Association my megnates are maxing the distructions to keep out forever all the distructions the factor of the solid be remembered make up their minds to keep out forever all those persons who have so unreasonably caused this disturbance. It should be remembered that the National agreement clubs have noth-ing whatever to lose and the American is bound to lose all even though it should last the presen season out. In short, the time has come to treat this rebellious thement in a way that will have effect on others.

# About the Local Club Undoubtedly Pattsburg has come to the front p a very consulcuous way during the week, The local magnates cannot desire any more ad-vertising for their club than they have received and what they are likely to receive. The

La Blanche and Young Mitchell. A. W. Tourman stamps the offenders as flums and blackguards. It is a disgrace to matters this week that there is little room to

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A Fact About Calendars.

In this year's calendars only our rows of figures are necessary for February. This can only occur in February, and never in a here ware the great of spain at 26. Germany at 29; held the iron crown of Italy at 32 and was the conqueror of Spain at 36. Peter the Great organized his tremendous leap year; also it can only occur when Feb-roury 1 falls on a Sunday. During the Embach at 30 and founded St. Petersburg

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NAKE RIVER, WHERE THE SUPPOSED BODY OF ROBERT RAY HAMILTON WAS FOUND [From a photograph by Miss E. G. Walton, of Wilmington, Del.]

### esent century this combination of circuma year later. Frederick the Great had completed his first Silesian war at 30. Lastly, the greates, soldier of all, Napoleon, stances has only occurred ten times. was a major at 24; general of brigade at 25 and commander in-chief of the army of

SPECIAL ingrain carpet and lace curtain sale this week. Read the startling prices in another column, at J. H. Kunkel & Bro.'s

\$1 50 ince curtains at 98c; \$2 grade, \$1 25; \$2 50 curt ins at \$1 50; \$4 50 curtains for \$2 37; \$6 50 lace curtains for \$4 37; brass-mounted curtain poles, complete, 1256, ingrain carpet at 183/; 45c heavy carnet at 29c; 50c grade at 38c; best all-wool extra super carpet sold at 75c, during this sale 58c. These are only a few of the special prices for this week only at J. H. Kunkel & Bro.'s, 1347-1349 Penn avenue, two squares east of Union depot.

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SPECIAL lograin carpet and lace curtain sale this week. Read the startling prices we name for this week in another column, ranks. The idea that has prevailed among the Association "bright lights" has been to the ef-plect that Mr. Thurman should have supported being they read of La Blanche's very easy defeat by Johnny Herget, alias "Young Mitchell." While areane, Pittsburg.

fame are held in execration by the Hebrewa commander of the Carthaginian army in Spain at 26. Charlemagne was a king at 26; Napoleon I is not of the number. And all this is the more interesting now from the attention Talleyrand's memoirs are attracting. The Duke of Bedford's Will.

A recent telegraphic report states that the late Duke of Bedford's will not only orders the destruction of

his personal effects, but also his carrisges and the killing of his horses. Was this man sane? Whether or not he came as nearly being a modern Nero as he well could, and one can in im-agination see him in the event of Lon-

don's destruction,

fiddling away with all the joy and en- Duke of Bedford. thusiasm of his Roman prototype, that is, so long as the destruction did not take in a part of his estates. Some of the provisions of the will are

Some of the provisions of the will are really so monstrous that the English author-ities owe it to civilization that they be not carried out. If they fail to do so, one can seriously question the civilization of the age in which we have. Many of the incidents which have taken place since his death read more like a page from the history of the Vikings than anything pertaining to the nineteenth century. When a V king died, he was buried with all his gold-embroidered garments, furs, weapons, relics of valor and the chase. Then his horse was slain that he wich thave something on which to ride to Valhalla. Then, last of all, his wile or

Valhalla. Then, last of all, his wie or slave was killed. As all the other little peculiarities of the Vikings have been carried out in the Duke's case, there is hardly any doubt, if the Duchess of Bedord was still slive, the Duke's will would provide for her slaughter. The suicide of such a man is not

a surprise. Russia and the Mennonites. January 31 was the anniversary of the

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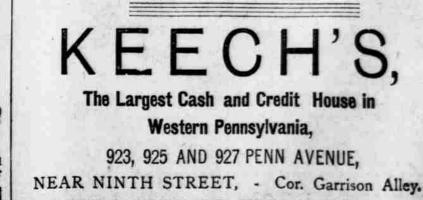
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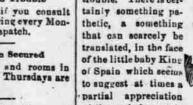
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translated, in the face of the little baby King of Spain which seems to suggest at times a partial appreciation

of the existing state of affairs, but it is Spatn's Baby King. scarcely possible as Al onso XIII. is not yet 5 years of age. However, sentimentalism is

neither here nor there in such matters. When men are in the humor to overthrow Governments they halt not at the behest of

either emotions or conditions, and it may be accepted as certain that if the clouds now treatening his throne ever burst, the chances of hitle Alfonso ever knowing what it is to be a reigning King are decidedly remote.

Taking all these facts into consideration

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Importation of English Sparrows. The English sparrow, so small as to hardly afford a mark to shoot at, has at last become so large and important a quantity that statecraft is interested in him to the extent of suggesting laws and means for his removal. When we look upon the myriads of these busy little creatures to be seen in and about our cities, curiosity is manifested that with-

in so short a time they have become so plenti-

ful, when previous to 40 years ago they, were

### there is hardly any question that Kalser Wilhelm is rive enough to achieve military distinction-that is, if he has the ability. Trouble for Baby King Alfonso. Amid all the ominous growling and mutterings in the countries of the Braganzas and Bourbons, there is at least one crowned head that is supremely oblivious to all the

Italy at 26.