CLOSE OF CONGRESS.

Republicans Will Use the Last Days to Push the Shipping Bill Through.

TO ACCOMPLISH THIS END.

All the Appropriation Bills Hanging Fire Will Be Delayed.

DEMOCRATS WILL RESIST THIS.

A Powerful Lobby Working for the French Spoliation Claims.

THEIR PLANS ALL FIX D FOR SUCCESS

SPECIAL TELEGRAN TO THE DISPATOR. WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 .- The Republicans of the House have determined to pass the shipping bill and to delay action on the appropriation bills until this is accomplished. A conference of the particular friends of the Speaker was held this evening and they claim that a canvass of the House shows that the Repullicans now lack only two of a ouorum and it is said that these lacking votes can be secured by Tuesday, if necessary. The Republicans intend to take advantage of the acc that the Democrats will not filtbuster against the appropriation bills, and so a programme has been arranged that will leave these measures undisposed of until the shipping and other party bills are

It is claimed that the backward state of the appropriation bills need cause no alarm, as in past Congresses these bills have been much farther behind than at present, and yet all were enacted into laws. In the Forty-eighth Congress the deficiency and sundry civil hills were both passed within four days of the end of the session, and both

Fighting Will Be Brisk.

The House adjourned yesterday in very bad temper, and its mood on reassembling to-morrow will have considerable effect on the course of legislation during this week. There are a number of important matters which the majority earnestly desire to have passed upon by the House before final adournment, and the order in which they are rought up will largely depend on the situ-

ation as it is developed from day to day.

The friends of the shipping bill have been assured of the report from the Rules Comttee of a special order setting apart one or two days early in the week for the consideraion of this measure, but the representatives in charge of the appropriation bills are in-sisting on right of way and the Democrats, with a lew exceptions, intend to exert all their power to prevent the enactment of the shipping bill into law, relying for success partly on the near adjournment of Congress and the apparent necessity of devoting much of the time to the appropriation bills, The Bills Awaiting Action.

The postoffice appropriation bill is not yet out of the committee of the whole, and the consideration of the agricultural and deficiency bills has not yet begun. In ad- Hoar and Frye Are in a Spirited One for the dition to these measures there are the copyright, the Appellate Court and the Indian tepredation bills, which have passed both houses, but need to be advanced through the conference stage of legislation before they can go upon the statute book.

The report of the Roum investigation and the recommendation of impesciment in the case of Judge Boaman, of Louisiana, are matters of the highest privilege on which action of the House is desired.

The silver bill is not included in the

chedule of business arranged by the majority. The silver men are disheartened at the rospect for currency legislation during his Congress, but expect to make one mo though in order to do so it will be necessary to make some motion commonly regarded as not within the purview of the rules of par-

The French Spollation Claims. Another bill, which it is proposed to pass

as an amendment to the deficiency approriation bill, is that for the payment of the astrous management of that measure French spoliation claims. For the past week there has been an unusually nower ul lobby hard at work in this direction, and they claim that they have their plans all That Is Agitating Lawyers in All Parts of fixed to insure the passage of this measure. The Senate has nireedy snown itself agvorable, and in the House it is claimed that 170 members have pledged themselves to vote for the adoption the amendment. The lobbyists also ciaim there is no danger to be apprehended from the Committee on Appropriations, because they have secured promises from the seven of its members to insert the amendment, and calculating on one or two absentees, they think that number will be sufficient to carry it.

The total amount of money involved in the payment of these French spoliation claims has been variously estimated at from \$30,000,000 to \$60,000,000, but it is posed at this time to appropriate \$1,500,000 as the entering wedge.

Only Eight Days Left. Only eight full working days remain of

the Fi ty-first Congress, and from now on till the 4th of March the proceedings in both branches o that body will probably be marked by the baste that is usual in closing days of a short session. The army and the fortification are the only appropriation bills that have become laws,

The status of the remaining appropriaawaits approval of the conference report by the House; the pension, District of Columbia and Military Academy bilis are in conference; the diplomatte and consular bill is awaiting an order for conference by the the sundry civil bill has been reported by the Senate committee and is or the Senate calendar; the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill and the Indian appropriation bill are in the Senate committee, and the postoffice, agricultural and general deficiency bills await theaction of the House.

Programme of the Senate.

It is expected that the Senate will devote its time during the week mainly to the anpropriation bills. These measures and similarly urgent conference reports on other appropriation bills are likely to leave but little time for other subjects provisionally provided for in the order of business arranged by the Republican caucus.

The Nicaragua Canal bill is the unfinshed business in this cate ory, and although it will be laid aside to-morrow in favor of the sundry civil appropriation bills efforts may be made thereafter to give its place to some other measure. The triends of this measure are confident that it will re tain its position as against other miscellaneous business, until brought to a final

WCMEN IN COUNCIL.

The Present Week in Washington Will Be a Big One for Them.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 .- The present week in Washington will be a notable one for the women of the country. Two gatherines at which matters of interest to womankind will be discussed, are to take place during the week at Albaugh's Opera House. The first of these gatherings is the first triennial meeting of the Women's National Caucil of the United States. Its regular sessions will begin to morrow and will continue Tuesday and Wednesday, with two or more sessions | two are drum sticks. each day. A large number of the prominent women of the country are here to attend the

meetings of the council, and many subjects will be discussed. Thirty-five organizations of women will be represented. Preliminary opening exercises of a religious nature were held to-day.

The second gathering occurring during the week will be the twenty-third annual convention of the National American Woman Suffrage Association. This convention will begin on Thursday and will continue until Sunday. EIGHTEEN OF THE CREW DROWNED.

A CHAPTER ON DEBT:

THE CENSUS OFFICE BULLETIN ON NINE MILLION MORTGAGES.

Alabama and Iowa Contrasted in Mort gage Indebtedness-The Causes Leading to This Class of Debt in Both States -Some Interesting Figures Given.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 .- Superintendent Porter, of the Census Bureau, has just prepared an introduction to the bulletin on private indebtedness of individuals and corporations of the United States. In it Mr. Porter says:

The agents of the Census Office have over-

The agents of the Census Office have overhauled the records in every State and Territory, and we now have on hie in Washington, as a result of their labor, the abstracts of about 2,000,000 mortgages. According to this report, the total real estate mortgage debt in Ainbama in force January 1, 1890, was \$39,027,983; the total real estate mortgage debt in lowarm force January 1, 1890, was \$190,44,57. The average amount of debt to one of population in Alabama was \$26; in lowa, \$104.

In 1889 the number of acres mortgaged in Alabama was 1,744,420; total number of acres in the State, \$2,985,000; per cent of acres mortgaged, 5.3. Number of acres mortgaged, 6.3. Number of acres mortgaged in lowa, \$3,340,000; total number of acres in the State, \$5,540,000; per cent of acres mortgaged, 9.1. The interest charges in Alabama range from 1 to 40 per cent, and in lowa from 1 to 20 per cent. Throughout the South and West the contracts of ten States show that the debt is without interest, or give a lower than the true rate. The average of mortgages with an allowance for partial payments is compelled to be 2.73 years in Alabama and 4.93 years in lowa.

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tallowance for partial payments is compelled to be 2.73 years in Alabama and 4.82 years in be 2.73 years in Alabama and 4.82 years in By personal inquiry in Alabama, as to the objects in mortgacing real estate, the most prominent ones given are: Purchasing money to be up other land, business, improvements, farm expenses, family expenses, family supplies, and litigation and lawyers' fees. In Iowa—Purchase money, improvements, to buy other land, business, farm stock, security and litigation and lawyers' fees. In Iowa—Purchase money, improvements, to buy other land, business, farm stock, security and business, farm stock, security and business, farm stock, security and litigation, living excepted and modescribed debts. The contribution of the same and undescribed debts. The contribution of the same and undescribed debts. The same and the s

FIGHT FOR INGALLS' PLACE

Honor. SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH. WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.-The Republican Senators will hold a caucus, probably on Tuesday, for the purpose of nominating a candidate for the office of Presi dent pro tem to succeed Senator Ingalls. A very lively canvass is going on in the interest of Senators Hoar and Frye, each of whom would be pleased at the houor of presiding over the Senate in the absence of Vice President Morton. Senator Spooner is particularly active in behalf of Mr. Hoar's selection, while the senior Wisconsin Senator, Mr. Sawyer, champions the cause of Mr. Frye with equal activity.
Mr. Frye was formerly Chairman of the Committee on Rules and framed the rules at present in operation in the Senate. Mr. Hoar's candidacy has caused considerable feeling among Senators, growing chiefly out of the bad blood stirred up in the recent discussion of the force bill, and his dis-

A SUPREME COURT RULE

the Country.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22,-An important change in its rule, which the United States Supreme Court made before adjourning for February is attracting a great deal of attention from lawyers through the country. The effect of the modifications of the rules made by the court is to compel the docketing of each case brought before it within 30 days from the time the appeal is taken from the decision of the lower court. All appeals, writs of error and citations must be made returnable to the Supreme Court by the lower courts within this period of 30 days, or they will

be dismissed Heretofore many months might intervene between an appeal and its docketing on the records of the court, advantage being taken of this privilege in cases where the principal object of the appeal was to delay a final de-

HE WILL NOT RETRACT.

Dr. McGlynn Still Remains as Defiant as Ever of Church Authorities,

NEW YORK, Feb.22.—At the anti-poverty meeting in Cooper Union to-night, Dr. Mc-Glynn said: "I was excommunicated for preaching doctrines into which, a Cardinal told me, the Catholic authorities had never even examined. I would see them all burning, and myself on top of the heap, before would retract one word of what I said. Has the Pope so identified himself with God that he is beyond the pale of criticism? Must we wait until he is dead before we can criti-

Oddities From the Mails.

Concord Monitor.] Not long ago a letter came through this postoffice addressed to "Lard Mills, N. H." which found its proper destination at Oil Mills, N. H. A letter addressed to "Roast Pig, Mass.," was deciphered by the Boston mail clerks to be intended for Dedham, and there it was delivered to the person for whom

Sailing Under False Colors.

Two little Eighth ward girls were preparing valentines for the mail. "Horrors!" exclaimed one, "here's 5 cents marked on this, and I haven't a bit of rubber!"
"That's nothing," replied her worldly-wise companion, "can't you put a 2 before the 5?"

How Rich Men Argue.

Boston Traveller, 1 A wealthy man was asked not long ago to subscribe to a worthy charity. "I should like to contribute," said he, "but I have \$800,000 in the bank not earning a cent, and I really can't afford it.'

Elmira Gazette.] There are three things that beat a drun or noise-one is a small boy and the other

Special To Let Lists This Morning

LOST ON THE ROCKS

Wreck of the Ship Elizabeth on the Coast of California.

The Captain's Wife and Two Children Among the Survivors.

UNSUCCESSFUL WORK OF LIFE SAVERS

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22 .- The ship Elizabeth, of New York, went ashore last night on the rocks at North Head. She had a crew of 20 men on board, the Captain, two mates, the cook and 16 sailors. The latest reports show that the Captain

The details of the wreck are hard to obtain, as the point where the ship went on the rocks is inaccessible by sea and to reach it by land a climb of several miles over the mountains is necessary. The place is called the Tennessee Cove, and is four miles north of the entrance to the harbor on the Marine county shore. The story of the wreck, as told by one of the survivors, is

and 17 men were drowned.

Trying to Make Port.

The vesse! was sighted at port early yesterday afternoon, and Captain Colcord decided to sail in. The wind was blowing a furious gale from the southwest, and finally the tug March came to the Elizabeth's assistance. The men say assistance was re-fused because of exorbitant charges asked by the tug. The tug Alert then made fast to the Elizabeth, but her hawser broke, and the ship drifted before the wind toward the shore. Just as the second hawser was made fast she struck the rocks. Then Captain Colcord lowered the boat to take his wife

New York, and carried a cargo of assorted merchandise consigned to Williams, Domnond & Co. For 36 hours the wind has been blowing a furious gale, and is increasing in violence every hour. Much damage has been done to the shipping in the harbor. At the same time the Elizabeth struck yes-terday the British ship split her bottom, but got out and started off to sea.

FEDERATION IS URGED.

Kansas City Railroad Employes Favor

KANSAS CITY, Feb. 22 .- Representatives of all the various organizations of all Chicago Tribune.] the railroads centering in Kansas City met here to-day for the purpose of obtaining an expression of opinion on the questions of federation. Three hundred and fifty delegates were present representing the Brother-hood of Railway Conductors, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Brother good of Trainmen, the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen, the Switchmen's Mutual Aid Association and the Brother-hood of Railway Telegraphers.

After several speeches a rising vote of those in favor of federation was called for.

Every delegate arose to his feet amid much enthusiasm. Resolutions were adopted condemning the attempt of various State Legislatures to reduce railway passenger and freight rate; favoring that party which promises the most to the laboring men, and urging the federation of all railway em-ployes. This is the first of a series of meetings to be held throughout the country for the same purpose. President Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor, says it is the beginning of the greatest labor movement ever inaugurated.

STRUGGLE OVER A BRIDGE.

Contest Over the Control of the Big Struc ure at Memphis.

MEMPHIS, Feb, 22.—There promises be a lively time in the Legislative Council at the next special meeting to be held tomorrow. It is all because of the differences between the local attorneys of the two great railway systems as to the right of the city to grant exclusive rights of way over certain streets to be used as approaches to the great bridge now in course of construction ross the Mississippi river.

Mr. E. F. Adams, attorney for the bridge company, appeared before the Council at the last meeting and asked the grant, claiming the bridge company is a distinct and separate corporation from the Kupsas City, Memphis and Birmingham Railway, or Nettleton system, commonly supposed to be the party most interested in the bridge en terprise. Attorney David Poston, of the Memphis and Charleston Railway, immediately entered a vigorous protest against bestowing any such powers on the bridge company, claiming that it would virtually result in the absolute destruction of Mem phis commerce and give the Kansas City road absolute control of all business west of the Mississippi. This is the point of the

COATING FOR SHIPS' BOTTOMS.

Japanese Lacquer to Be Tested By This

Government. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 22.-There ar rived from Japan by the steamer China, two packages addressed to the United States Navy Department, Washington, D. C. It was learned that the contents of these cases were four piates of iron and steel, each four feet square. These plates are covered with three coats of anti-fouling and anti-corrosive lnequer. They will be subjected to a test of submergence in salt water for three months be applied to ships of white squadron,

Japanese steel war ships having this lacquer on their bottoms instead of the usual paint, that the plates were protected and that the lacquer coating was perfectly smooth and unbroken. The bottom of the warship Ninwakan was coated with this lacquer for nine months. When she was docked it was found that her plates were in excellent con-dition and not the least particle of grass or

His Average Was Good.

Munsey's Weekly.] "Why, you poor malarial mortal, you! I thought you told me your average health

So I did. I run to chills one day and fever the next. The average is normal.

THE CZAR AND KAISER.

Continued from First Page. ing at Carrick-ou-Shannon, the capital of County Leitrim, to-day. The Parnell sympathizets, who were out in large force, refused to listen to speeches and finally charged upon and demolished the platform which had been erected for the speakers' accommodation. Among the prominent members of the anti-Parnell faction present were Messars. Healy, Jordan and Matthew Kenney.

Gas Trotting Circuit. International Skating Match.

Christiana—The International Skating Tournament was concluded here to-day. The first contest, which took place last Sunday, was won by Hagen, the Worwich champion. The second contest took place to-day, and Hagen covered the distance (one mile) in 2 minutes 57.15 seconds, and Cormick, the Canadian champion, in 2 minutes 34 2-5 seconds. Hagen won the third contest, distance three miles, in 9 minutes 15 seconds, Cormick's time being 9 minutes 38 seconds. Hagen was awarded 500 kroner and a gold medal. Dockers Charge Bad Faith.

LONDON-The dockers' committee have issued a manifesto charging the Shipping Federation with committing breaches of faith and with desiring to bring about another severe struggle between labor and capital. The union men are advised by the committee not to strike until a thorough organization had been effected.

Workingmen Want the Ballot. BRUSSELS—The Belgian Council of In-dustry, composed of masters and workmen, have sent a memorial to the Government, asking it to avert a general strike by extend-ing the right of suffrage.

HANGED BY LYNCHERS.

TWO NEGROES STRUNG UP FOR MUR-DERING A STOREKEEPER.

The Posse Guarding Them Overpowered After a Sharp Fight-Two of the Lynchers Wounded-The Bodies Riddled With Bullets While Hanging in Mid-Air,

PRECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

BRUNSWICK, GA., Feb. 22 .- A mob of 50 men lynched two negroes last night at Dant's Swamp, about five miles from Brunswick. The negroes were Wesley Lewis and Henry Jackson. They had been tried in the morning at Sterling, on the East Tennessee Railroad, for the murder of C. Jordan, and were found guilty. The following posse guarded the prisoners, who were being re-turned to the county jail at Brunswick: Editor S. E. Whetman, of the Times; Emmett Taylor, E. L. Douglas, George Krauss, L. Merrifield, Senator Thomas Land, and Thomas Merrifield, of the fire department. The posse had traveled from Sterling to within five miles of Brunawick, when the mob surrounded them and ordered "hands up." As this order was not obeyed, they opened fire on the posse, who returned it, wounding two of the lynchers. The mob overpowered the guards and took their weapons from them. The negroes were seized, bound together and carried up the to a live oak tree, they were allowed to pray for three minutes, when the wagon upon which they were standing was driven away and they were left dangling in the air. The bodies were afterward riddled with bullets. None of the posse was injured, although their prisoners were riddled with rifle balls

and buckshot.

The crime for which the negroes were lynched was committed on Friday afternoon about 4 o'clock. The two negroes entered the store of C. Jordan, of Sterling, and while alone attacked the old man with a club and killed him. They were caught about an hour after the deed about an hour after the deed.

EATING A DINNER BACKWARD. A Novel Wager Won in a Novel Way in Windy City Restaurant.

street yesterday and sat down at a table presided over by a solemn, gloomy-looking functionary in black.

One of the two merely ordered mutton chops and a cup of coffee, but the other looked carefully through the bill of fare

laid it down, reflected a few moments, and Bring me a bunch of toothpicks."

"Yes, sah. They were brought, and the solemn waiter stood at his elbow, looking off into vacancy while the man picked his teeth, Another careful inspection of the bill of fare resulted in the order:

"Bring me some ice cream." The ice cream was brought and disposed of in a leisurely way, the bill of fare was examined again from top to bottom, laid down as before and cogitated upon, and an order for lemon cream pie was given to the solemn

The pie was brought and eaten in the same calm, methodical way, the bill of fare studied again, and an order given for stewed pens and sliced cucumbers.

The imperturbable waiter stood respect

fully by white these were slowly devoured. "You may bring me some roast beef and brown potatoes," announced the guest, after another prolonged study of the bill of fare.

These were brought and laid before him and he ate them with great deliberation, after which the bill of fare was subjected to another scrutiny. "Some bread and butter, if you please."

While the bread and butter were being slowly absorbed the melancholy waiter stood motionless, looking off into vacancy as

"I think I'll take a bowl of tomato soup," said the guest, after another exhaustive perusal of the printed slip. The waiter brought the soup and stood like a statue of gloom until it was dis-

posed of. Once more the bill of fare was brought nto requisition. "Now bring me half a dozen Blue Points on the half shell.

"Yes, sah."
"Hold on! You needn't do it," ex-claimed the guest. "I give it up. My friend here offered to bet me that there was a watter at this restaurant that wouldn't bat his eye if I should eat a square meal wrong end foremost, and I took him up. I'm out \$5, but I've learned something." "Yes, sah," remarked the funereal waiter, and as the two guests picked up their checks and made their way to the arms, looking solemnly away into the fathomless depths of space.

GET DRUNK ONCE A WEEK. Extremity to Which a Doctor Goes in Pre

scribing Change. llustrated News of the World.] A prescription popular with doctors is a 'complete change." They tell us to get ou

of the groove in which every one of us is, more or less, working (even those who only play), and try a new mode of life altogether. It need not be better, nor even a more whole "If you get drunk once a week-for a week -it would be a good thing for you," said an eminent member of the faculty the other

day, to perhaps the most respectable of me -but it must be an entirely different life. New scenes, new company, new climate, ar The fact of the remedies propose being, in nine cases out of ten, out of reach of the patient does not at all hinder the pre-scription being given, but what it does hinder is its being taken.

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WILL MAKE IT LIVELY

Spalding Advises League Clubs to Sign Association Players.

CLEVELAND TO MAKE AN EFFORT.

Schedule of Dates Arranged for the Natural

GENERAL SPORTING NEWS OF THE DAY

During the next few days baseball matters will be extremely lively in many parts of the country, if the present intentions of various magnates are carried out. Efforts will be made by various League representa tives to sign all the star players of the Asso ciation that can be secured. As a result we may likely have a repetition of relegating baseball to the courts. Of course, all this trouble is being courted by the Association. The leading element of that organization are spoiling for a "go," and it will be a great pity, indeed, if they are not amply accommodated. A. G. Spalding has advised the officials of the Cleveland League Club to sign every Association player it wants, whether the players be under contract or only held by reservation. Referring to this advice the Plain Dealer says:

advice the Plain Dealer says:

"The Cieveland club will immediately proceed to act upon the Chicago man's advice, and even now there is a deal on whereby an Association player who has already signed with the Association will also sign a Cleveland contract. The Cleveland magnates claim, and, in fact, the decision of the National Board in effect so holds, that the Association cannot enforce its contracts with players, as the Association contracts as a member of the national agreement. Legally, if a contract is broken in one particular, it falls to the ground.

"Several more telegrams from Association men, signed and unsigned, arrived at baseball headquarters yesterday. By Monday one, at least, will be signed. He is a good one, and is not an outfielder.

least, will be signed. He is a good one, and is not an outfielder.

"Secretary Hawley says that now Cleveland stands a good show of getting Buckley, as New York will not want him."

If the programme is carried out there will, indeed, be some fun, and those who have urged, by inuendo and otherwise, on this trouble will likely be well satisfied of it before it is done. But if there is to be a free-for-all-and-help-your-self attack on the Association, it is safe to say that our own J. Palmer and Manager Hanlon will not be left out in the cold. Indeed, it was stated in the city last night that hooks are already out for one or two good Association players to play in Pittsburg. Probably it will only require a very short time to convince the rabid leaders of the Association of the error of their ways.

Bumors are in circulation in various places to the effect that Association representatives are trying to patch matters up with the League. There can only be one dignified method of "patching." That is to purge baseball of those persons who ever and anon are creating strife without any justifiable cause.

TWO GREAT CHESS PLAYERS.

ne Interesting Peculiarities of the Ex perts Steinitz and Gunsberg. Two of the most successful players of chest

are Steinitz and Gunsberg. Steinitz is a broad, thick-set man, much be ow the middle height, with a full beard of a tawny color, and, owing to a lameness from which he suffers, his constant companion is a stout cane, which he uses to assist him in his perambulations. Gunsberg is about the middle height, with a closely-clipped beard, and time has begun to make early ravages on his crop of hair, which is fast receding and leaving him

bald.

After some little progress is made in the game both players settle down into a condition of apparent composure. During the intervals in which his opponent studies the moves each player will get up and take a few turns around player will get up and take a few turns around the room by way of exercise and relief. Guus-berg, a more active man than the older player, is the one who most frequently takes this form of relaxation, and more than once after making a move he will jump up and leave the room. Steinitz's favorite attitude over the board is to lean forward with both arms upon the table supporting him; in fact, this may be said to be his almost invariable position when at play, although occasionally he will rise and stand in a side attitude, again leaning slightly over the board.

Gunsberg, on the contrary, appears to pre-fer leaning back in his chair, but when he seems to be at a critical point he will draw forward and also earnestly bend over the board, resting one elbow on the table and supporting his head, very often covering his chin and mouth with the supporting hand. He wears spectacles when playing, and his head is sometimes turned so that it appears to be looking altogether away from the board, whereas in reality he is closely studying the position. On the table is a tray for the reception of the ashes of the ever-constant Steinitz cigar. Both the players may be met now and again at the British Chess Club in Covent Garden, where some of the best players in the kingdom assemble. One of the best players among the members of Parliament is Mr. George Newnes, of Tit-Bits renown, who is financially associated with the British Chess Club, and was instrumental in making it the success it is. forward and also earnestly

A LOCAL LEAGUE

An Amateur Manager Suggests That

Meeting Be Called at Once. The managers and backers of what are called the local amateur ball clubs are moving very slowly this year. So far few, if any, teams have seen organized, and many patrons of the game are beginning to think that we are not going to have our usual number of "amateur scraps" have our usual number of "amateur scraps" next season. A gentleman who has been connected with the class of clubs referred to for a number of years was in this office last evening and he takes a very hopeful view of the prospects. During a conversation he said:

"We will have our usual number of amateur clubs when the season opens, and they will be of a better quality than last year. I think we will have a larger number of good players to select from, as the minor leagues will get a considerable number of players from the major leagues. This will leave numerous players who were in the minor leagues last year out in the

"Of course managers seem a little slow in "Of course managers seem a little slow in coming to the front, but they are waiting to see how matters develop. There is a strong desire to organize a local league, and if we are to have one the sooner we get together and discuss the question the better. There will be no difficulty in getting four or six clubs into such a league, and it might be well for some-body to take the initiative and call a meeting through the columns of THE DISPATCH. If such a meeting were called I think there would be a good attendance and we would all get to know exactly what the prospects of organizing a league are. I trust that this suggestion will be acted on at once."

NATURAL GAS CIRCUIT.

Its Dates of Trotting Meetings Fixed and Good Purses Arranged.

PETECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATOR ! LIMA, Feb. 22.-The Natural Gas trotting circuit has just been completed here by a meet-ing of the representatives of the nine different towns and cities interested. J. C. Lineman was elected President and P. C. Calvery Secretary. The following schedule was adopted: Erie, May 27 to 22; Bellevue, O., June 3 to 5; Bowling Green, June 9 to 12; Fostoria, June 17 to 19; Mansfield, June 24 to 28; Marion, July 1 to 4; Lima, July 7 to 10; Fort Wayne, Ind., July 14 to 17; Warsaw, July 21 to 24.

The purses offered will aggregate \$30,000. T. C. Calvert was made General Secretary in order to arrange details for the entire circuit. He is owns and cities interested. J. C. Lineman was o arrange details for the entire circuit. He is also secretary of the Lima Driving Club.

Der Boss is Jubilant.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 22.-Chris Von der Ahe President of the St. Louis Browns, was in the ity a short time yesterday morning and called jubilant frame of mind over the result of the jubilant frame of mind over the result of the American Association's last break, and predicted that the younger body would be successful. He asserted that the Association ought to have taken such a step long ago; that if it had it would be in far better condition to-day. It is quite likely that a meeting of the American Association will be held in this city next Wednesday. At that time the books and papers of the deposed President Thurman will be turned over to President Kramer, of this city.

NEW YORK, Feb. 22.-Charles Parsons, the NEW YORK, Fee. well-known English sporting man, writes to Richard K. Fox that the National Club, an op-

On a Sound Basis.

position club to the Ormonde and Pelican clubs, has been organized on a sound basis, and that has been organized on a sound basis, and that in the future they will offer big purses for champion puglists to contend for. Lord Lonsdale is the President and George Piesse is one of the provisional committee. The club has leased Evans' Music Hall, in Covent Garden, and when it is fitted up, it will be one of the best sporting clubhouses in England. The gymnasium will seat over 2,000 spectators, and under the direction of Lord Lonsdale, the club is certain of success.

Will Train Him at Homewood The celebrated trotting stailion Wabash wned by Boyle & Gilmore, of Uniontown, will be brought to Homewood shortly to be gotten not condition for the approaching season. Pete Brown, the well-known trainer, will have charge of the horse. It is anticipated that Wabash will make a mark below the twentles before next August.

> Will Wrestle at Franklin. PRECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE DISPATCH.

FRANKLIN, Feb. 22.—A wrestling match has been arranged between Connors, of Pittsburg, and Gallagher, of Buffalo, to take place in this city Tuesday, March 10. The match will be for \$300, catch-as-catch-can, best two in three falls to win. Connors will go into training in this city at once.

Sporting Notes. HANLON will try to sign Jimmy Fogarty to

The great bilifard tournament at Syracuse com-mences this evening. THE Allegheny Athletic Assocation has been admitted a member of the A. A. U. THE latest about John M. Ward is that he and Mrs. Ward have become reconclied. GRIPPIN and Shindle have not signed with Bal-timore. They are anxious to join the League. It it reported that the League wants to buy Al Johnson's interest in the Cincinnati ball club. A BET of \$100 to \$400 is said to have been made that Burlington beats Tenny the first time they

It is probable that a battle will be arranged be-tween Fred Johnson, of London, and Jimmy Larkin, of New York, to fight at 122 pounds be-fore the Felican Club. JACK MCAULIFFE says: "If Austin Gibbons is anxious to arrange a match, all he has to do is to post \$500 forfeit, and I will sign articles for as big money as Gibbons chooses."

ED CORRIGAN thinks that four or five horses in the Suburban should beat his four-year-old coit Riley, and he may be declared. Firenzi is the Western man's choice for the Suburban. RICHARD R. FOX announces in this issue of the Potice Gazette that he will give \$200 to the first person who can select the horses as they finisherst, second and third in the Brooklyn handicap AL JOHNSON was much surprised vesterday when he learned that Tebeau had sigued with the Cleveland club. He had made the claim to have signed him, and it was because of this that he released Latham to the Boston Red Stockings.

BOB FITZSIMONS was introduced to Dominick McCaffrey Nonday. Fitz, after greeting Dominick pleasantly, raised his hat, and on seeing the head of the boxing instructor, said: "You are like myself—got no hair on your forehead. You will have to have a spider painted up there to keep the files off." A REMARKABLE feature of the Brasfield sale in Kentucky was the disposal of Baronstein, a suborbly bred son of Baron Wilkes. John Madden bought him for \$4,000, and within three hours had booked 40 mares to the horse at \$100 each, thus paving the purchase price. This was never done at an auction sale before.

ATHLETICS cost the Harvard boys just \$22,278 last year. William Hooper, the treasurer, in his report states that the expenditures were divided thus: Freshmen baseball nine, \$565: Freshmen Boat Club, \$2,069: Freshmen football eleven, \$727; Athlette Association, \$2,856; Baseball Association, \$7,423: Boat Club, \$6,933; Cricket Club, \$566; Cycling Association, \$57.* Football Association, \$9,066; Lawn Tennis Association, \$607.



VANIA: VARIABLE WINDS. FAIR MONDAY, SLIGHTLY WARMER BY TUESDAY. FOR OHIO AND WEST VIRGINIA: WARMER, SOUTHERLY WINDS, FAIR WEATHER. PITTSBURG, Feb. 22.

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SPECIAL WEATHER BULLETIN.

Cold Wave From the Northwest Is

Moving Steadily Eastward, PREPARED FOR THE DISPATCE. The storm center passed to the mouth of the St. Lawrence yesterday, attended by severe gales along the North Atlantic and winds of 30 miles an hour on the New England coast. A dense fogbank continued in the morning from Rhode Island to Nova Scotia, but was dissipated in the latter part of the day. It was snowing in Michigan, Northern Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York, Maine and Canada. Rain fell in the South Atlantic States. West of Ohio it was clear, except in Montana and the Dakotas, where it was cloudy and threatening, because another depression was forming in Western Montana. The temperature was below zero in all the country to the West and North of Michigan. The coldest places were Moorhead, Minn., 280 below zero, and St. Vincent, 24° below. The cold wave was steadily

moving East and South. River Telegrams. PRECIAL TELEGRANS TO THE DISPATOR !

WARREN-River 8 feet and 1 tenth and falling. Venther cloudy and cold.

MORGANTOWN-River 14 feet 3 inches and fall-MORGANTOWN-River is feet 3 inches and rail-ing. Weather clear. Thermometer, 45° at 4 p. M. BROWNSVILLE-River 19 feet 4 inches and ris-ing. Weather clear. Thermometer, 47° at 4 p. M. LOUISVILLE-River 25 feet 4 inches in canal, 24 feet, on fails and rising. Weather clear and pleasure. feet on falls and rising, pledsant. WHEELING — River 30 feet and stationary. WHEELING and cold. Weather clear and cold, CINCINNATI—River 44 feet 7 inches and rising linch an hour. Weather fair and cold. Naviga-CAIRO-River & feet and seven-tenths. Weather

GERMS IN THE CHEESE.

vicksburg-River rising slowly, weather

MEMPHIS-River 32 feet. Weather cloudy and

Rider Haggard's Advice as to the Rind of the Dutch Product.

Illustrated News of the World.] Mr. Rider Haggard in one of his novels makes a certain person advise another that he should never eat the rind of Dutchcheese. "I know," adds the adviser; and what is left unsaid after that laconic declaration leads to the belief that there must be something peculiarly nasty about the outer investment of the comestible in question. The Royal Academy of Science at Amster dam has been concerning itself over a certain affection to which the beloved natural project appears to be subject.
of the cheese is called "blue illness," and
of the cheese is called "blue illness," and project appears to be subject. This malady appear affects glue, and is called "black

Once again, the ailments are traceable to the ever-present germ. The germ in ques-tion is a bacterium, which is a dainty feeder, in that it can alone live where it is supplied with nitrogenous matter, and this tood, of course, the casein of cheese and the gelatin of glue duly afford. It develops a dark-blue coloring matter, and a dark-brown pigment as well.

The Gratitude of Man. Atchison Globe.] Help a man out of a hole once and he may forget you when he is out, but he will not fail to call on you the next time he falls in.

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BANKER DAVIS' MILLIONS.

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Another Phase Put Upon the Contest Over HELENA, MONT., Feb. 22.-Important actions have just been taken by the contest-

ants for the millions left by Banker Davis, of Butte, which will precipitate another fight over the preliminaries. Contestant Henry A. Root filed a petition in the District Court of Silver Bow county asking for the revocation of the order appointing John A. Davis administrator on the grounds that he has failed to file the required bond of \$5,000,000; that he has offered for probate a will which names him as sole legatee, which instrument contestants claim to be forgery, and that he has procured an assign-

ment from Jeff Davis, of Iowa, an alleged illegitimate son of the late banker, of all his claim in the estate. The contestants propose to push this matter to the bitter end. Henry Root and Maria Cummings filed a further petition asking for the removal of Special Administrator James Talbot, whom, they allege, is a witness on behalf of John A. Davis in certain matters to come up in court later. Monday last notice was given by counsel for John A. Davis that the testimony of J. C. Sconce, the only living witness to the al-leged will, would be taken at Bloomfield, Ia., by a commission, and but five days were allowed for filing cross interrogatories. Colonel Ingersoil and Nathauiel Miles pre-pared the interrogatories in New York and sent them by wire to Helena, making a dispatch of over 8 000 words, which is now filed

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