SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 1891. THE PITTSBURG DISPATCH,



A REVIEW OF SPORTS. Some-Remarks About the Local Baseball Team and the Old and New Managers.

A Few Entertaining Features of Amateur Playing by the Various Local Teams.

ASSOCRATION'S PEACE EFFORTS.

CORBETT'S CHALLENGE TO THE WORLD.

The Two Approaching Big Sprint Races and Pritchard's Offer to Fitzsimmons.

Our poor and unfortunate baseball team finished their second Eastern trip yesterday, and it probably will be better for everybody concerned if there is as little said about it as possible. It has been a miserable journey, and the sooner it is forgotten the better. It would seem as if the team were going from bad to worse, and cermean by this is; That those who contended the team were playing badly chiefly because Haalon was manager were in the wrong, just as I would now be in the wrong by aroning the team are doing poor work beenuse McGunnigle is manager. The great source of defeat is the downright bad playine of the players, and taking them as a whole they stand out as a monumendisgrace to the baseball world. laries almost equal to those of cabinet isters, and have proven themselves to neither useful nor ornamental. And tions of the public talk about the astice done ball players. So had has the ork of two or three high-priced players on town hacome recently that I firmly heieve there is an intention on their part to is had work wilfully. If there are the least dientions of this, Manager McGunnigle maid at once impose times and suspend the denders without pay, even though he has a officiate in their stead. The Pittsburg

blie will support any action of this kind, rause the public will not tolerate an inusine. I cannot avoid the conviction that he players could have done better had they o desired, and it is because of this that my inpathy goes out toward the stockholders These gentlemen comment the year by spending money in unstinted measure. Whenever a star player was vailable they secured him, no matter how igh the cost. There was only one object in new that was to have for once a winning team in Pittsburg at all hazards. The conmions of the time were such as to enable some of the players to receive enormous salaries. They were paid, and what has been the result? Why, they have been shameful failures. I say shameful, because it does appear that in some instances had playing has been wilful. The directors of the club deserve better treatment than this; they are indeed worthy of better.

A Few Important Points.

I am sure that it becomes wearison writing about defeats day after day, and I cut, therefore, understand how painful de-feats are day after day to those who have money invested in the club. These stockholders, as I have just said, have struggled to give us a first-class club, and so tar have failed simply because they have orn decrived. They have expended money and labor enough to have a peunant winner, and yet the team are last. But the directors are as heroic as ever. They have resolved o have new men, no matter what the cost, and this ought to induce all of us to extend and this ought to induce all of us to extend our sympathics to the directors for the present at least. They nearly succeeded it will continue to the end of the season; Thursday in securing three or four promis-that is, that all the clubs now in will stick ing young men from the West. But other to it until the schedule is exhausted. It

no matter how that may be, for one I am glad that Stansbury has been challenged gretted by all who are interested in basehall affairs. While there may be some hope by a man from a new quarter, and I sup-pose many of us will await with much curias to the holding together of that organizpose many of us will await with much cur-osity the result of the proposed race. It would be exceedingly interesting if Sulli-van were to become champion, and land in this country and also sweep our decks. Well, if the race in question takes place I suppose we need not expect a race between an Amstralian and our champion in this ation, it has been torn asunder to such an extent that a very large amount of damage has been done already, and more will follow. There were bright anticipations re-garding the Western Association, but one by one the various clubs got into difficulties. and then the almost general collapse could hardly be averted. But whatever may be the fate of the Association this year, it is sure to be to the fore next season, and that and then the almost general collapse could hardly be averted. But whatever may be

means that during the winter there will be come of it. many changes made. But whether or not the changes will affect the National Agree-Corbett Rises to Remark.

There has been little else than talk in the ment is very problematical; but they may likely enough affect the salaries of players. The difficulties of the Western Association pugilistic world during the week and one of the most significant talkers has been James the most significant talkers has been James J. Corbett, who some time ago along with Peter Jackson performed so long that they had to be stopped. James J. Corbett has mounted the rostrum and declared to the entire mass of human beings on earth that he will fight any man among them. Now in the baseball business goes to the players; there is little or nothing for capital. A condition of this kind cannot last, because while many capitalists, probably the ma-jority in baseball, are not in it to make he will fight any man among them. Now this is certainly sweeping enough whether it be for advertising purposes or in earnest for a battle. Not long ago John L. Sulli-van, who used to have quite a lot of good opinion to express about Corbett, said that J. J. C. was simply a duffer and that he, J. L. S., could pulverize him in very short order. I wonder what the Boston hero will say of Corbett now when he learns of the great challenge. I don't know whether or not Corbett means what his challenge aves. perity in massion, are not in it to make money, they are certainly not in it to lose money. They won't stand losses, and this means that if the players are to get all the money that is taken at the gate, and sometimes more, the gates won't be opened at all. But it seems to me that the National League will not by any means allow the Western Association to collapse if it can

Our Amateur Ball Players.

possibly avoid it.

not Corbett means what his challenge says, but I assume that he does, and I cannot read A day or two ago, as far as watching an interesting ball game is concerned, I had an enjoyable time. I think I saw one of the his challenge without wondering why he won't fight Jackson. The latter has time tainly the had playing caunot any longer most interesting contests I have seen for a be attributed to had management. What I very long time. The game I refer to was and time again declared his anxiety to fight Corbett and the latter has declined steadily that between the Bridgeville and East End and yet he suddenly appears before the world with one of the big challenges that are Gymnastic club nines, which took place at ordinarily used to advertise some very poor show. Corbett as a fighter may be all that Bridgeville. Besides being an unique game of its class, the journey to, and the surround show. Corbett as a lighter may be all that he thinks he is and that his friends think he is, but while he has had chances to show it he to far has failed to prove it. Mark I do not say and have not at any time said that Corbett is not a champion fighter. I want him to show that he is. So ings of, Bridgeville were all that could be desired to make up an afternoon's entertainment. The rustic or the rural, or it may be the rough and ready, features of Bridgeville make quite a pleasing contrast to the arrangements and surroundings of : city baseball game. And then Bridgeville is proverbial for female patrons of the game far he has not even proven himself worthy of being placed in the front rank. But I is proposterous to think that of a very enthusiastic nature, and when enam inclined to think that a contest between Corbett and Slavin will be arranged if a purse of sufficient value is offered. The Australian intends to come to this country shortcomings of a ball game are overlooked But I have a few words to say about the game on general principles, because it virtually decided what club will secure the during this month or next and I don't think that he can remain long at any place with-out fighting if anybody will fight him. And if Slavin comes here next month and a County League pennant this year. The East Enders won, of course, and it is safe to say that they are worthy of the pennant, It may have been my fortune to have seen contest is arranged between him and Cor-bett let me just state at this stage that Corthem at their best on Wednesday, but most assuredly I saw them play an excellent bett will receive such a trouncing as he never got in his life. Certainly he will hit game. There was not a fielding error recorded against them, nor did any of them Slavin because I predict now that Slavin will not trouble himself very much to get ever look like making one. They ac-complished a neat double play in each of out of the way of Corbett. Just let us wait and see how Corbett will stand two or the first three innings, and earned seven of their eight runs. Now, that's ball playing "as is ball playing." I care not whether I see it done by novices, anneturs or pro-will heartily give him all the credit he defessionals. To me an errorless game by a novice nine is just as important as an error-less game by National League pennant winners. True, this may not be the gen-eral sentiment, but for the life of me I don't see why it should not be so. If anybody Although nothing of much importance has happened in the pugilistic world during the week there has been much significant talking. There is now a strong probability of a contest between Ted Pritchard and will show me why an errorless game by, say Fitzsimmons as the former has declared his

the East End Gyms, is not just as good as an errorless game by the Chicagos, I will be exceedingly obliged. And when at Bridgeville the other day I couldn't help thinking that too little attention by the baseball public is paid to our "amateur" teams. The contest I refer to was well

played on both sides, and the quality of the work done by the 18 men speaks very highly indeed for those who have gotten the teams together. As far as I have seen I deem the winners the best amateur team in Western Pennsylvania, in fact, the best in the State, and it would be a very interesting event to see any amateur team in the country come here and defeat the Gyns. They are undoubtedly the best amateur team there has ever been in Pittsburg, and the local public should give them as much encouragement as possible. In Thompson they have quite a speedy and tricky little pitcher, and when star among the pitchers of the major organi-

Western Association are much to be re- of the original tribes of New Zealand. But GOSSIP THE DAY OF

Labouchere's Go-Lucky Career Should Make Him Popular Here.

ELECTRICITY MAY CAUSE GRIP. Unknown Quarters of the Globe Where Fame

Awaits the Explorer.

STORIES OF THE SHAH OF PERSIA

WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH. Henry Labouchere is coming over this fall to see our famed Indian Summer on its



don Truth's cele-Labouchers brated editor under any circumstances. There it no question but that Labouchere

is one of the most interesting figures before the public to-day. He is equally gifted with fame, wealth and genius, and all of last being heirlooms, and the first insisting on accompanying him in his career, whether interesting or entertaining history. In his routh he was famed for his "squabbles" at Eton and Cambridge. Quitting college he traveled; visited Mexico; fell in love with a circus lady; followed the troupe, acting as ticket seller, etc. went to St. Paul, Minn., when it was but a cluster of houses; took up with a party of Chippeway Indians; went to their home and remained there six months, learning everything from their language down to gambling for wampum necklaces; went to New York; thought he would like the diplomatic service; recommended himself to the English Government and was accepted. From the United States he was ordered successively to St. Petersburg, Munich, Frankfort, Stock-holm, Florence and Constantinople. At every place he acquired the reputation of an out and out scapegrace and to hear him recite in his own way, his many exploits, is equal to listening to a five-act comedy. Since his experience as a diplomat, he has been a reporter, a war correspondent, an editor and the owner of a newspaper, a member of Parliament and a theatrical manager, in fact, he has dabbled in almost everything worth talking about and been

generally successful in each with the exception of the last named. At the present time his chief occupation

seems to be that of acting as a thorn in the side of Lord Salisbury, whom he criticises from every point of view, both in parlia-ment and out of it. Taking him all in all, he is just such a character as Americans willingness to come to this country and fight the best middle-weight that can be found. One report has it that he wants to fight anybody at all, but I can hardly belike to see and he is certain of a hearty welcome on these shores, even, perhaps, from the deluded Boston Irishmen-if they are lieve this. The other day I read an an-nouncement to the effect that the Olympic Club was making arrangements for a battle between Ted and Joe Goddard. This would still living-who imagined him the patriot Meagher at one time, when Labouchere had not a cent in his pocket, and feted him to repletion during the day, while he spent his nights on the common and made his toilet in the waters of the bay. seem absurd as few people, I think, would care to pay money to see a battle between two men so unevenly matched. Without doubt the most interesting contest that could be would be one between Pritchard

Famed for Her Works,

Here is a picture of one who within a

and Fitzsimmons. They could each scale below the middle-weight limit and both are deemed terrors in their class. With these Electricity and the Grip. The influenza, or as we know it "the grip." has appeared in Russia again, and is two men it would be the old English style two men it would be the old English style and the new Australian style of in-fighting for Fitzsimmons, although very long, relies considerably on in-fighting, and it is Pritchard's terrific in-fighting that has encomporting itself with all its old time vigor. abled him to become such a terror. But both Harry Overton and little Bill be possible that Schonbein was right when Plimmer want to come to this country and fight anybody in their class. This means he said that influenza was caused by too that before next winter is past we will have any amount of international contests pro-

yet virtually unknown, many of the places down on the maps being as imaginary as a fairy tale, and may have no existence what-ever if the truth was known. Thibet and Afghanistan are yet sealed books, waiting the explorer with nerve enough to open them. No scientific person has as yet visited the capital of Thibet. In the lofty regions of Aria there are a bundled district mating Asia there are a hundred districts waiting to be mapped and even the Er Reef mountto be mapped and even the Lr Reer mount-ains, the magnificent range in plain view of the thousands sailing past the Rock of Gib-raltar, have as yet not been explored be-cause a savage race of mountaineers pre-veet the traveler from entering within their precincts. This is a curious fact, consider-ing that ever since the time of the Phoenicins these mountains have looked down upon the highest civilization in the world. Inner Australia and Alaska are as yet but little known, and the largest island on the globe, New Guinea, is hardly known be-vond its coast lines. Immense spaces in the

Pacific have to be visited by the discover and there is little doubt that many comnative heath. While Americans will not paratively important islands will yet be found there, while many as yet only known be able to observe found there, while many as yet only known to us by name, are to be mapped. What wonders may yet be brough to light in this process. Last, but not least, both of the Polar regions are yet mysteries. Space will not permit further enumeration, but, it can be said that a list comprising the territories yet to be explored on this little planet of ours would contain at least 1 000 names the famous freelance of English journalism under like favorable conditions, they will nevertheless be ours would contain at least 1,000 names. pleased to see Lon-

Geographies Need Revising

Speaking of undiscovered countries reminds me that many of the geographies at present in use are as unreliable, so far as the maps are concerned, as a chart by one of the these have come to him unsolicited, the two | early Spanish discoverers. Some of those of Central Asia contain the town of Balkh, which is in reality an ancient place, now but he would or not. I do not know of a single little more than a mass of ruins. Chulm is character of cotemporary times with a more another town of implied dignity by its prominence on the map. It consists of a pile of mounds, while Tashkurgan, a really Important city of recent growth, cannot be found at all in some of the most pretentious works. The last error is to some extent ex-cusable, as advances in knowledge are being made every day, but such as the first are not.

Eccentricities of the Shab.

Every once in a while we hear of the unique actions of the Shah of Persia, the

latest, that of boiling Abdullah Khan, adelinquent tax collector, being of such a character as to うち send a thrill if horror through the very marrow of the Bardsleys of this country. This is not the only odd idea in the way .4 of dealing out justice

The Shah. which the Shah has originated. For instance, it is said that it is no uncommon spectacle in the Province of Hamadan to hear groans issuing from pil-lars of brick on the roadside. These pillars are the graves of wretched peasants who have not paid their taxes, and who are walled up alive in this way, a small aper-

the Crown Princess being no exception to his rudeness. In England he made a prac-

comporting itself with all its old time vigor. Already many are asking what should be done to obviate another siege such as we have endured the past two seasons. Can it he possible that Schonbein was right when to the Prince of Wales that he ought to put the Duke to death as being too wealthy for a subject. It required \$150,000 to put much ozone in the atmosphere, and as ozone is said to occur from the presence of an abundance of electricity, it may be possible that the advantages gained by the general control of the provided and the most barbaric excesses while the Duke to death as being too weathy to a subject. It required \$150,000 to put Buckingham Palace in shape again after his departure, as he was in the habit of prac-ticing the most barbaric excesses while the provided and the provided at the state of the provided at the the provided at the state of the provided at the state of the provided at the the provided at the state of the provided at the provided at the state of the provided at the provided a

She Drags Out a Monotonous Existence as if Life Were a Bore. DAUGHTERS DON'T KNOW MOTHERS. Experience of an American With the Serv-[COBRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCE.] CONCEPCION, CHILE, July 14 .- This is life in Chile; to vegetate in a delightful cli-

breezes blown from the Andean snowfields -happily exempt from all excitements except those that spring from natural causes, notably love, earthquakes and revolutions; to attend strictly on all fiestas of the Romish Church, and by that means (so say the priests) to secure for oneself an equally tranquil hereafter; to promenade every evening in the public garden, which is known in the native grandiloquent style as el Jardin de las Delicias, "the Garden of Delight," and later to attend the opera, or,

> at least, a tertulia, as social gatherings in private houses are called. The fair Chilean rises late. She dresses hastily, throwing a charitable shawl about her shoulders to hide manifold sins of omission-her little feet thrust carelessly into slippers, her splendid black hair, snarls and all, plaited in two long braids that fall down her back, and her ablutions, if she troubles

BEAUTY OF CHILE

herself to make any, being merely a form of politeness at the wash bowl.

THE MANTA IS LIKE CHARITY.

Of course she must go to morning mass, but the big black manta that oustom de-mands for that service, drawn over the head mands for that service, drawn over the head to the eyes and closely enveloping the body. obviates the necessity for any further dress-ing. In every case the Chilean woman prefers a silk or woolen gown, however soiled and tattered, to the finest and fresh-est fabrics, for she considers the latter material the exclusive property of servants and the despised Gringoes, or foreigners. Thus in dishabille she dawdles about, amusing herself with fancy-work or doing

nothing at all, until ennui drives her to sho nothing at all, until ennui drives her to shop-ping or paying visits. Then the glossy hair mounts up on top of the head in a marvelous heap, the slip-shod alippers give place to French hoots with the highest heels and most peaked toes that were ever invented to to the the top the short of the short of

to torture their foolish wearers, and in all the splendor of costly apparel, than which Solomon in all his glory was never so arrayed, she sollies forth with stately tread, generally bare-headed, closely fol-lowed by a servant whose business it is to bear my lady's purse, hankerchief, paraso and whatever trifle she may purchase.

ONE MONOTONOUS BOUND.

At the sunset hour or in the early even-ing-before time for opera or tertulia-she repairs to the promenade, to enjoy a little music and perhaps some mild flirtations-the last mentioned amusement, however, being discreetly restricted to sighs, "sheep's eyes" and following footsteps. Thus for the women the days go by in one monot-onous round, year in and out. The men omit the mass, look a little after their busi-ness affairs, if they have any, during the middle of the day, but diligently attend to the promenade, the opera and tertulia, or to the gaming table for the night. Gambling is a national habit. In many of the swellest casas of Santiago and Val-paraiso the gaming table is regularly set out and forms one of the features of great entertainments, like the buccarat of Great At the sunset hour or in the early even

out and forms one of the features of private entertainments, like the baccarat of Great Britain, which lately plunged the eldest hope of her respected Majesty into such boiling hot water. In Chile, the poorest peons and ragged gamin may be seen at all times in the alleys and by-ways betting medios and centavos, (the pennies and nickles of the country), with as much esgerness as the wealthy mine owner stakes his gold ounces.

A HIGH ROLLER AT CARDS. The tallest gambling that evercame under own observation took pla between Copiapo and Talcahuano, when a man who had recently "struck it rich" in copper at the Atacama mines, lost \$90,000 in a single night. There are laws against gaming, but they are seldom enforced; and even the church winks at it-the quid nuncs. assert because so many of her dignitaries are addicted to monte. A friend tells me that he once attended Sunday morning mass in the church of an interior village, where the congregation, having waited long for the coming of the priest, finally sent for his reverence. The messenger found him at a cock-fight, which he refused to desert at a cock-light, which he refused to desert until the exciting combat was ended. A Yankee school teacher who recently re-turned to the North after several years' residence here, says of the Chilenos: "There are notably two classes of society. If a man wears a silk hat and carries a pretty cane, it is presumable that he belongs the 'better class.' If he has a servant wait on him at home and to carry his small luggage when he travels; if he settles with his landlord by handing him a large bill without a question, and shoves the return chauge into his pocket without deigning to count it, there is no doubt about his being a first-class cabellero (gentleman). But should he dare to omit the silk hat or the pretty cane and the man to carry his belongings, he can in no wise expect to be admitted into the upper circles.

there are many cases of matrimony within the forbidden degrees of consanguinity-even to the union of uncles with nieces and stepfathers with step daughters.

THE SERVANT QUESTION.

Servants are abundant, and if one does not please, a better may be readily obtained, so that Chilean ladies are entirely relieved AUGHTERS DON'T KNOW MOTHERS. AUGHTERS DON'T KNOW MOTHERS. So that Chilean ladies are entirely relieved from some of the responsibilities that harnss Northern housekeepers. Here the hire of servants is so cheap and their demands so moderate that people can more easily afford the five or six that usually compose the kitchen brigade than the matron of the UNIED INSTEAD OF TEA BEVERAGE USED INSTEAD OF TEA

who is everybody's servant and the hardest worked member of the household. A New England lady who is now wrest-ling with the mysteries of Chilean house-keeping at Valparaiso writes me as follows concerning her experience: "We engaged a mate, whose hottest sunbeams are cooled by concerning her experience: "We engaged a cook, who promised faithfully to come on a certain morning, and retained our predecessor's man-servant, neither of whom spoke one word of English, while we were equally ignorant of Spanish. We took possession on the appointed day, but no cook put in an appearance. The dinner hour came and there was no dinner. There was nothing in there was no dinner. There was nothing in the house but groceries and bread, and we could buy nothing, because we could not speak the language of traffic; and even with plenty of provisions on hand we could never have cooked on that queer adoke range. So the gentlemen returned to the hotel and the ladies satisfied themselves on bread and butter.

DINNERS FROM THE CAFE.

butter.

"A friend who called during the evening suggested that, pending the arrival of a cook, we have our meals brought from a cafe—a common custom here. You have a cale—a common custom here. You have a lot of tins made, fitting one into the other, with a wire passing through rings at the side. The bottom tin contains coals, and different meats and vegetables are placed one above the other in the successive tins. At dinner time one may see men rushing through the streets of Valparaiso in every direction, with strings of dishes varying in length according to the magnitude of the

purchaser's dinner. "We lived in that way for a week (on half cold food that all tasted of unwashed tin and the menn of many yesterdays) until at last we secured a well-recommended cook who is to have \$6 per month for getting up two meals a day, washing most of the dishes and going to market. She sleeps in her own house and has the usual perquisites accorded to servants here, viz., meat and regetables from our own table, one pound of brown sugar a week and 3 cents' worth of bread per diem. Butter is never allowed them; coffee at the generosity of their employers.

ORDERING WITH A DICTIONARY.

"You would laugh to see me in the morn-ing approach my cook with money in one hand and a dictionary in the other, to give orders concerning the marketing. It is not difficult to eatch the pronunciation of Span-ish, and in case of stern necessity one may dispense with verbs altogether. The brief-est of dialogues, something in this fashion, always occurs: Dolores, quiero papas, buevos, beefsteak. (I want potatoes, eggs and beefsteak.) To which Dolores respect-fully replies; Si, Senorita, muy bueno-(Yes, Miss, very well. -"The man servant, or major-domo, as he is magnificently termed, takes charge of the "You would laugh to see me in the morn-

magnificently termed, takes charge of the dining-room, waits at table and act as cham-ber maid—for it is a singular fact that the chamber 'maidens' of Chile are universally of the other sex. We have one street stair case, up which everything is brought. The first thing I hear in the morning is the clat-ter upon the steps of the water carrier, who ter upon the steps of the water carrier, who brings us two kegs of water dally, for which he is paid \$2 50 per month. Then comes the bread man, to whom we pay 50 cents a day for what our family of seven are sup-posed to consume; then the milkman, bring-ing half a pint for eight cents; and, lastly, the cook arrives, with the marketing and the day's supply of fuel. In this hand-to-mouth way of living I always have an un-comfortable impression that some day we shall be left destitute. But everybody else lives in the same fashion, and, indeed, no lives in the same fashion, and, indeed, no other way is possible here."

A POPULAB CHILEAN DRINK. In every Chilean household hospitality

Reading Lamp Outfit. to evening visitors is expressed by tea and cakes, the hostess always pouring out the beverage and a servant handing it to the Many people would like to have the electric light in their houses for other than or

USEFUL SERVANT.

How Electricity Has Been Harnessed in Hotels and Elsewhere.

SAFETY APPLIANCE FOR ENGINES.

Heating by Means of the Current Will De Away With Extra Help.

STORAGE BATTERIES FOR OMNIBUSES

[WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.]

An Australian electrician, speaking before the Victorian Institute, said he was very much impressed, while traveling in America, with the extent to which the application of electricity was carried in the hotels, He surveyed the annunciator dial, contain-ing 25 segments, with great interest, which was further increased by the prompt appearance of a colored boy, with all the necessaries for a "shine" when the pointer was moved to "Bootblack." In further describing his experiences, the electrician said: "That hotel I found to have electrical apparatus in all sorts of places. The doors of the closets would not close from the outside, but the pressure of a foot on the floor inside closed a circuit and released a spring, and the door was closed automatically and an enameled disc showed on the outside the the door was closed automatically and an emmeled disc showed on the outside the word 'engaged.' Burglar alarms were fitted to every window. In winter the rooms are kept warm by steam, and the supply of the steam to the pipes is automatically regu-lated. A thermometer is automatically regu-lated is a star is a store and the supply of the steam to the pipes is a store and the supply of the current and by means of an electromagnet current and by means of an electromagnet onts off the supply of steam. Directly the temperature falls below the limit the ap-paratus again works and readmits the steam. The arrangement I saw, and which the manager calls a thermostat, consisted of a strip of brass and one of rub-ber (materials which expand differently mader the same degree of heat) riveted to-gether at one end. This composite strip is marked unequally by changes of temper-ature, the two pieces being fixed at one end while free at the other. There is an appre-ciable range of movement at the free end. This enables a contact to be made at any point in that within that range, while a screw adjustment arranges for the contact to take place at any temperature within de-sirable limits. The thermostats are, it is aid, so sensitive as to respond to the change of a single degree of heat. Similar thermos-tats are used as fire alarms, when, of course, they go set not to make contact to ring an alarm and actuate an findicator, which shows in which room the excessive heat exists. Sometimes it is arranged that the heat indi-cator and the burglar alarm shall, when they make contact, also light an incandescent is and, so contact the the start indi-cator and the former case in each room in

make contact, also light an incandescent lamp-in the former case in each room in the nouse, and in the latter in the room only

the nouse, and in the latter in the room only whence the alarm was given. It is instructive, as well as interesting, thus to see ourselves as others see us, and is emables us to realize more fully the extent to which electricity is now being made to contribute to the comfort and convenience of everyday life in this country.

For the Telephone Exchange.

The city of Chicago has the credit of having introduced in its telephone exchanges very useful "busy" call, which enables a caller-up of a "busy" line to have his call placed on record, so that it will have attention so soon as the line is clear. A further improvement has now been arranged by the electrician of the same exchange. Under the former arrangement the "busy" tickets were made out and distributed at the "target" or "busy" board, the call sometimes passing through the hands of several operapassing through the hands of several opera-tors. In the new system the tickets are dis-tributed to six operators, each operator re-ceiving only the tickets belonging to her section. The distributer consists of a brass box, two inches in width and 21 feet in box, two inches in width and 21 feet in length, having six ohannels, each channel terminating in a slot placed before an opera-tor. Under the box passes a cotton band, forming an endless belt. At one end of the distributer is placed a desk composed of six sections, each section being provided with aix slots, and each slot leading to one of the six channels of the distributer. At each section of this desk an operator is stationed, who receives the "busy" call, writes out the ticket and deposits it in the channel, which bears it to the operator at the "busy" board, whose duty it is to make the connec-tion as soon as the line is free. tion as soon as the line is free

The zincs are by this means lifted out

Value of Creosote

ture being left for breathing. Along with the reports of the queer ac-tions of the Shah comes one suggesting the possibility of another European tour, such

as he enjoyed 18 years ago, at which a cold shudder goes down the back of royalty, who, remembering his deeds at that time, cannot well afford to slight Nasr-ed-din, while at heart they wish him with McGinty. In Germany the descendant of Xerxes and Darius made himself so offensive that the Emperor withdrew in the middle of the festivities and refused to have anything more to do with him. At the table he behaved like an animal; when he found any-thing unpalatable in his mouth, he was in the habit of withdrawing the morsel and throwing it at the ladies of the court, even

come and, in the meantime, I , and in one respect there will be a treat wear to be in it with our famous sluggers. And a strange feature about the Chicago try and sustain it as much as possible. cam is the fact that our champions can always put up a great game against them. Well, it may and it may not be that one or monew players will be in the local team -marrow, but of one thing I am sure, viz: that there has been quite a boom in sprint- foregone conclusion.

really anticipate three good games.

Those Peace Rumors.

The week just ending has been somewhat aughle because of the many rumors that ave been in circulation regarding "peace" etween the American and the National To me there has never seemed to 'war," as the National League has not arrayed itself against the Association. All there has been in it is that the Association resolved to travel in another direction om the N. L., and doubtless, because of this, efforts have been made to magnify this witching off into a war. The truth is, I hun't think the Association could make war the League any more than a little terrier or could make war on a lion in the forest. his being so, we may take it for granted that all these rumors of "peace" mean the Association magnates are tired of going it But there is one very important enture in this alleged war furnished behe two bateball organizations. What I refer to, is the fact that almost all he trouble between the two bodies, or at cost the trouble that the Association has aused, has been about Cincinnati. My -oders will remember that when the Assois ion leaders broke away from the Naional acreement, they alleged that it was unfair treatment by the National Board in not giving them Bierbauer and Stovey. Of course, that was a lie of the st kind. The fact of the matter was, n was without a complete cirmit, and its leaders really believed that by making a break" they would get into Cinunniti and drive the League out. This very dishonorble programme, but it was nothing strange on that account, as far as the Association was concerned But the League has not been driven out of Cincinnati; on the contrary, t is there and doing ten times better than The latter has made a niscrable failure in Cincinnati; an absolute , in fact, and no wonder that there is desire to get out. Doubtless the Associaon magnates led themselves to believe but with Kelly in the Cincinnati team the latter would be a great favorite; but let me say that Kelly has been even a greater feae than the Cincinnati Association club.

And I go further and say that it was the seague that made Kelly popular; and since he left the League he has gone into compar-ative obscurity. He has done more; he has executed to the level of Association ball aying, which nowndays means that if the pire gives an unsatisfactory decision the of the aggrieved team asks him to fourn behind the stand and settle the prize ring style. Well, altogether, the Association magnates, Kelly and the Cincinnati club have done much to injure baseball during the senson and they and themselves in dire difficulties. By all means let them have what they call "peace" they want it. If they desire to vacate incinnati let the League help them in their moving, but by all means give them to understand that nothing short of the utter thermination of the Association will follow

uv more rebellions. The Western Association.

The troubles that have overtaken the

uld be a pity now that the set the directors will receive suffi- far advanced to have such excellent teams it public cheouragement to warrant them as Bridgeville, Tarentum and the Gyms meking all the changes necessary. Of more or less laid aside for the season. I am urse, we will have the team here to-mor- aware that in some instances the teams are costly, and that the receipts do not defray n store for the patrons of the game. Ansen | expenses, but if the various clubs will pull and his Chicago team will begin their last series here this year, and surely we'll be regar to see this very wonderful team—a team that on paper last spring did not aporganization that is very useful in its way, and patrons of the game would do well to

A Boom in Sprinting.

During the last few months patrons of general sporting affairs will have observed That Amon's team will be well worth see- ing in and about Pittsburg. For a time it ing, and I venture to say that our heroes seemed as if that branch of sport had forwill give then a very hot argument. I ever disappeared from Pittsburg, and as far

as I could learn, nobody appeared to regret it. Foot-racing had been completely are carried out a change will be made in the run underground, and it is needless to racing rules of the national organization revamp the causes, as we all know them. The proposed rules are exceedingly desirable because they condemn a system that un-doubtedly has been in operation more or less for a long time, viz: That of bicycle riders accepting various kinds of remunera-tion from bicycle manufacturers in The public had been gulled so often that they rebelled, and that ended it. But during the last few days two very important matches have been made, and when I point out that each race is for \$500 a side the pubacknowledgment of they, the riders, using certain machines. There is another good lic will see that there is once more considerable interest in that exceedingly interestprovision proposed relative to an amateur being allowed the right to teach bicycle riding branch of sport. Tom Hammond has agreed to concede P. Morrissey three yards ing for the purpose of effecting the sale of a bicycle. The proposed rules are as follows: An amateur is one who has not start in 100 yards for \$500 a side. Some time ago Hammond conceded Morrissey follows: An amateur is one who has not engaged in nor assisted in, nor taught four yards in the distance named and the latter won easily by six yards. Hammond's latest resolve, therefore, can only be explained by saying that he must not have been a "trier" in the former cycling nor any other recognized athletic exercise for money or other remuneration nor knowingly competed with or against a professional for a prize of any description, or one who, after having forfeited the amateur status, has had the same restored have been a ther in the former race. While I have no opinion to express regarding the result, or probable result of the race, I may remark that three yards is quite a good start. The two men are to run by a competent authority having jurisdic tion over the sport. A cyclist ceases to be at Homestead on September 5, and it is safe to say that it will be great time among an amateur by (a) engaging in cycling o any other athletic exercise or personally the sports from "up the river." The other event is more important still, the competiteaching, training or coaching any person therein either as a means of obtaining a tors being onr veteran of the track, Davy torun for \$500 a side, and it is a long time since a more important foot race than their's took place in this vicinity. They are both good runners and have been much before the public, and I venture to say that the con-test will be productive of much specula-tion. Sheehan has proven himself to be a sound and reliable man on the track and sound and reliable man on the track and there is no shrewder sprinter before the penses whatever, from a cycle manufacturer, public to-day than David. White is his agent or other person interested in the unior in years and recently has improved trade, or from any other person having a to a very great extent. He is in the hands pecuniary interest in the sport, except from a bicycle or other athletic club. (c) A of a very fortunate speculator in sprinting, and one who knows a good sprinter when velist does not forfeit his amateur statu he sees him. One thing I want to say regarding these races is this: I firmly h

teaching the elements of cycling solely for the purpose of effecting the sale of a bicycle. (f) The League recognizes in addition to cycling as athletic exercises, all they are to be honest events. I am so certain of this that I boldly express my opinion to my readers, and it is seldom that I do so sports over which the Amateur Athletic on matters of this kind. If they are run on honest principles foot racing may once Union, the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen, and other amateur athletic organimore get a good toothold here. I trust they zations have jurisdiction. PRINGLE. A MODEL FOR NEAL

Boston Heraid.]

of Mary Queen of Scots.

Stansbury's Next Opponent The fates seem to be against any of the

Australian scullers coming to this country. Not long ago Stansbury, the champion, made up his mind to come here and row O'Connor for the championship this year. But just as Stansbury thus resolves a Mr. Sullivan, representing New Zealand, steps to the front and throws down the gauntlet to Stansbury. As a result the latter has agreed to postpone his visit to this country and will row Sullivan. Stansbury could not well do otherwise because as long as there is a man on his side of the globe who disputes the title with him he ought to stay there and settle the matter so that we

will be conducted all right.

Britishers are well supplied with little men they have lots of them and some very good

ones. The battle last Sunday morning between Tom Ryan and McMillan for the welterweight championship was too onesided to be remedy is possible? worthy of much comment. Ryan was feat him. He is one of those well future existence. gether fellows, who has activity and ap-Jessie Fothergill, the novelist, will

Pagilistic Affairs in General

parently pluck, combined with great hitting power on his side. Of course, considering the way in which he defeated Needham his hardly be known by victory over a man like McMillan was a name or decd 500 years from now. The

The Proposed Amateur Rules. books she wrote are In the early part of next month the con

neither philosophivention of the League of American Wheelcal or scientifically valuable, but, who can say that the world is not all the hetter for books that are but the creatures . of a day so long as

Jessie Fothergal they are made up of bright, pure and beautiful ideas and are full changed a battle of sunlight, hope and life. The butterfly scarcely lives beyond the hour, but the world is made all the more beautiful by its ed the fate of an existence.

Miss Fothergill was a pleasant girl with assee intelligent face, pale and delicate looking, with dark brown curly hair and splendid grey eyes beaming with intelli-gence and the keen sense of mirth which here and there erop out in her writings. Her first books "Aldyth" and "Healey" were utter failures, but, undismayed, she wrote on until her ability was recognized. No sooner did that fact establish itself than success "grew upon what it fed" until even in her short life she had lived to see herself one of the most popular novelists. "The First Violin," "The Lasses of Leverhouse," "Probation," "Kith and Kin," "The Well-fields," "Borderland" and "Peril" are among her best known works, although she has written many others. She was born in Manchester, England, of mixed Lancashire and Yorkshire stock and passed nearly her whole existence in that vicinity with the exception of occasional visits to the conti-

days, dying at Berne, Switzerland, at the age of 40.

nent, on which she eventually ended her

Work for the Explorers. Readers of THE DISPATCH of Wednes. (e) A day last will recall a cablegram stating that the Geographical Congress in session at Berne, Switzerland, authorized the production of a map showing the districts on the earth's surface yet open to the explorer. I am of the opinion that most persons are unaware how vast is the territory yet unknown to civilization. For that reason I have compiled an abbreviated summary of the more important sections concerning which we have as yet but meager knowl-John T. Raymond's Wife Sat for the Pictur edge, and the traveler who opens them up to civilization will confer benefits of almost

inestimable value. In South America the field is not so in-The death of Marie Gordon, the once viting as in other parts of the world, but vast districts in the neighborhood of the beautiful wife of John T. Raymond, recalls upper Amazon and the Orinoco remain to the fact that she was David Neal's model for explored, and negro tribes existing in his celebrated picture of "Mary Queen of the interior and said to have sprung from Scots." At that time Laura Hawkins was escaped slaves are yet to be found and in-vestigated by the scientific traveler. From regarded as one of the loveliest women that ever dawned in Europe, and the regal turn all accounts they have sunk to a condition of her head and neck, well offset by the brilliancy of her eyes and the loveliness of of the native tribes of Africa. In Central

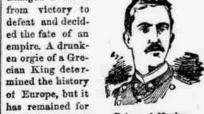
ere, among which was the habit of introduction of electricity as a motive medium are attended by ourses; that the generation of too much electricity exerts an effect as disastrons as it is in other respects advantageous. If this be the case, what ing, to compel him to pay for valuables purchased from them. In Austria he brutally insulted everybody with whom he came in contact, and it can be said without fear of contradiction that when the holiday was over and he took his departure a genfew days past has solved the mystery of the eral chorus of joy followed him home.

A Chance for Young Sawbones.

Are there any doctors about who wish to acquire a lucrative practice without great expenditure? If there is, Asia Minor is the place for them. Cholera has appeared there again and as none but native physicians are to be found and they the sorriest of quacks, the need of experienced and really learned men is apparent. It is re ported by correspondents that recovery is so far unknown under native treatment.

The Prince of Naples' Breath. A light summer shower, such as makes

the roses blow wide their warm, red throats. is said to have



Prince of Naples. the bad breath of the Prince of Naples, who is at present visiting England to prevent a marriage be-tween the royal families of England and Italy and the consequent cementing of a compact already begun in the triple alli-ance, a union of interests which will without doubt play an important part in the affairs of future Europe. It seems so ridiculous that one scarcely knows whether to credit the foul breath story or not, but certain it is, that the fact of the visiting Prince's possessing so undesirable an attri-bute has been heralded far and wide, and

where there is so much smoke there must be fire, as the old saying goes. All frivoltiy aside, however, there is little likelihood that the Queen of England would have permitted any member of her family to marry Prince Victor Emanuel, bad breath or no bad breath. Victoria's views on religious matters are a little too firmly fixed to permit a union with a Roman Cath-

olic. This circumstance rather restricts the young Prince's latitude in the selection of a proper." wife. Only one or two of the European royal families have marriageable daughters, and none of these are of the proper persua sion, except one or two, and they are not satisfactory. Therefore the Prince will have to seek among the lesser houses for a mate, a Princess of Bavaria retaining great-

est favor at present; but, as the arrange ment is not yet fixed upon, and will not be so it is said, until after the young man re-turns from his coming American trip, who can tell what changes may take place in the meantime?

The Wisdom of Russia.

The wheat crop being almost a total failure this season, the Russian Government has already forbidden the exportation of either corn or rye from that country during the balance of the year. In this respect, at least, Russia is better off than the United while have the real champion here when he comes. But it is somewhat surprising to find New Zealand becoming so prominent. I say this quite mindful of Macaulay's pre-diction about the New Zealander and Lou-don bridge and the ruins of St. Paul. But the name of Sullivan is hardly suggestive States. In this country producers or deal-ers would sell wherever they could get the

A MINISTER'S UNPARDONABLE SIN.

"Thus the Rev. Mr. _____, a man of great worth, ability and learning, was given the worth, ability and learning, was given the approbrious title of vaquero (cowboy), be-cause he persisted in carrying home every morning a small pitcher of milk to his baby. A true cabellero would have sent the serv-ant, and even his silk hat and polished cane, coupled with extremely polished manners, could not save him. "In Chile the man who makes your shoes

the tailor who cuts your coat, the woman who irons your linen, will charge you ac-cording to your 'cloth' for his or her serv-ices. If you claim to be a gentleman by dressing up to the character, the price will be enormous; but if you are a tradesman, a clerk, or a laborer of any description, i will be more moderate. Should you be so excessively vulgar as to venture to the market in person to purchase a piece of meat it will cost you at least 40 cents a pound; but

if you send a servant, he will buy the same quantity and better quality for half the money. The Chilean physician who made a professional visit to my family, requiring his services for less than half an hour, sent in a bill for \$75; but when I informed him that I was a poor man, he wrote me a very polite note, saying that it was of no conse-quence, and that I might pay him at my they had been before. own convenience whatever sum I thought

RELATIONS OF NOTHER AND DAUGHTER.

In Chile the greatest respect is shown by children to their parents, but the tender love between mother and daughter, as it exists among us, is almost unknown. At birth the children of the wealthy are invariably given in charge of a wet nurse, whose own child, in turn, is nursed by a poorer woman-and in about ninety-nine cases out of a hundred this nurse of the nurse's child has never been married. Then the small senorita goes to school and sees less of her nother than ever. She is constantly under the care of servants, and between them there can be little confidence. If she wishes advice or sympathy she naturally turns to some young companion, rather than to the stranger mother, whose strict ideas of proested in the matter enough to make inquiries about it. priety she fears. In religious matters she

priety she fears. In religious matters she is guided solely by her confessor. A young girl never leaves the house of her parents unless accompanied by some member of the family or a female servant. If she goes to pay a visit the duenna waits for her at the front door, or gossips with the female servants. Interviews between young ladies and gentlemen never take place. except in the presence of others. Of course, marriages of convenience are frequent and

The beverage of the co weather as we have had during the past ple is yerba mate, the leaves of a shrub that grows in Paraguay, and it's also much used by the better classes, though the Chinweek a cool light to read by or to use in the piano lamp is a godsend. Hitnerto this has been a difficult matter for many to procus ese plant takes its place, in the parlor. Yerba mate is a slightly exhilerating drink, they may be far away from the mains, and even if they are not, a connection and laywith the taste of tea and a faint savor of to ing of wires all over the house for such a bacco. It is prepared by putting a little burnt sugar in the bottom of a cup, then a bacco. It is prepared by putting a little burnt sugar in the bottom of a cup, then a pinch or two of the dried leaves, after which boiling water is poured on and it is drunk, steaming hot, or rather is sucked through a tube. The poor use little gourds -for cups, with a bamboo tube called a bom-billa, while the rich indulge in elegant mugs of silver or china, with silver bombil-las small quantity of light as they are likely to require is out of the question. For such as these an electric reading lamp outfit, which these an electric reading lamp outlit, which has just appeared, will be particularly use-ful. The battery is put up in a case quita convenient to handle. The elements are at-tached to the under side of a movable board, which can be ruised and lowered as of the liquid or lowered, as required. There is a lid at the side of the box, which, when

is a lid at the side of the box, which, when open, gives easy access to the battery. The lamp is portable and can be adjusted to any position. The light rays are concentrated on the desk, book or music, and are of suf-ficient intensity to enable one to read or write without fatigue of the eyes. On the ground of heilth and care of eyesight alone it is a distinct boon to the public. Evening parties, large and small, formal and informal, are very much in fashion, and the refreshments served are always cakes, ices and tea. Years ago-before the Chile-ans grew jealous of foreigners, and also, perhaps, before journalists came down here to publish unpleasant truths about themall strangers were welcomed with overflow-ing hospitality and delightful simplicity. But now such warmth is seldom shown, ex-Mr. W. H. Preece, chief electrician to the cept in remote country places where the mate cup and its bombilla is still passed English Postal Department, gives some in-teresting information concerning the use of crecosote in increasing the life of wood. The from your neighbor's lips to your own; and where the hostess will pause in front of you

average life of an ordinary uncreosoted tele-graph pole is, according to Mr. Preece, about with her dish of dulces in one hand even years, whereas a line of creosoted spoon in the other, while she envelopes a peach in it rich syrup and gently thrusts it into your mouth, and so on around the cirpoles about 20 miles in length, put down in 1848, were taken up in 1858, and were then perfectly sound. On the Great Western Railway is is found that the life of uncreo-soted sleepers is five years, and that of creo-soted sleepers is five years, and that of creo-soted sleepers eight to ten years, and many last to double that length of time. In tropi-cal regions timber is very rapidly destroyed by marine insects, more particularly the teredo navalis and limnorla. On the Facilio and Atlantic shores of the United States it is found that uncreosoted piles are destroyed in two years, whereas creosoted piles last from five to sity years. Since then this pro-cess doubles the life of timber, and the cost of treatment is not more than 25 per cent of the prime cost of the material, the advisa-bility of creosoting all exposed timber be-comes manifest. noles about 20 miles in length, nut down in cuit of the drawing room. FANNIE B. WARD.

PEARLS GET SICK SOMETIMES.

n Such Cases a Change of Climate Make Them All Right Again.

t. Louis Post-Dispatch.] Discoveries are never to cease it seems A most singular fact about pearls has just been discovered, or rather if it has been

known to a few, it was not by any means generally known. A jeweler recently declared that pearls become "sick" like babies, and then require a change of climate, Stopping an Engine by Electricity. or else they orumble and die. The dealer declared he knew a case once, when a lady went into a jeweler's with a splendid set of pearls, that were losing their luster and be-ginning to look dead. The method of making an electrical cor ection with the governor of an engine in such a way that the engine could be in stantaneously stopped on the pressure of a push button which was devised some time

"These pearls are sick," said the jeweler ngo has been found to work so well and to proexamining them, "and unless you take, or send them to a decidedly different climate at once, they will become worthless." The lady took his advice, sent the pearls to a The far off climate, and within a m onth they were as bright and beautiful in luster as

WHAT INTERESTS THE NOBILITY.

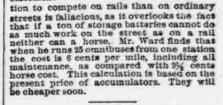
An Heiress of More Importance to Then Than a Dozen World's Fairs.

New York Herald.] The growing fancy of the British nobility for marrying great American heiresses cannot be better illustrated than by the experience of Chauncey M. Depew. It is said recently London society has been greatly interested in rumors of the wealth of a well-known American society woman there. Although it was known that Mr. Depew represented the World's Fair, it is said that four questions about the heiress' wealth were asked him to one question about the Even the Prince of Wales was inter-

Domestic Heating in the Future. Great progress has been made of late in the development of apparatus for the heat ing of houses. There is every reason to be lieve that it will not be long before we shall be able to turn on the heat in our rooms by the key, as we now turn on gas. This will do away with at least one servant, who, in large houses is employed almost exclusively during the winter months in attending to the furnace and grate fires.

The great objections to many of the eleo tric burglar alarms now in use for the pro-tection of buildings by the giving of an alarm upon the opening of a window or door are that they are of complicated dedoor are that they are of complicated de-sign, and liable to get out of order and to deteriorate in other ways. These objections have been surmounted by the use of a very simple circuit-closing device with a door hinge. The slightest opening of the door or lid will cause an isolated strip spring to make a contact with the metal body of the hinge and close an electric circuit.

A Door Hinge Alarm.



The Electric 'Bas. electrical omnibus in England, says that the statement that it is easier for electric traction to compete on rails than on ordinary

Radcliffe Ward, who has been intimately ussociated with the development of the

vide such a valuable addition to the provis vide such a valuable addition to the provis-lons against accident which are necessary where large bodies of machinery are con-stantly in motion, that in many factories these push buttons have been placed in con-venient positions all over the floor in which machinery is working. In case of accident from any cause wintever any person who happens to be nearest to one of these push buttons can, by pressing it instantly, bring the engine to a standstill.