Clubs That Miss Some Good Players Who Were Released Last Year.

WORK OF THE LOCAL TEAM.

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The Refusal of Hall to Fight Fitzsimmons Next September.

In many respects the week just ended has been a very interesting one, as far as base-ball has been concerned. Playing has somewhat improved on the previous week, and the attendance at the games has been remarkably good all week. The various teams are gradually getting settled down, although there are two or three still far below the form that they will show before the season is ended or half ended.

Considerable surprise has been manifested at the continued defeats of Anson's team. Day after day the veteran and his young men have been worsted until the Chicago cranks are about ready for a rebellion. But fust make a note of this. The Chicago team vill lay lots of teams low before very long. That team has already shown that they can do excellent work, and it is singular that when they have played in first-class style they have been beaten. This condition of things cannot last, and it is safe to say that the Windy City players will give a good account of themselves shortly. It is quite true that the absence of Pteffer on the team is a great drawback to them. Whatever that young man's vanity may be, nobody can deny his abilities as a ball player and an extremely good all round coach on the field. Both as a player and as a guide on

the field the Chicago team miss Pfeffer. It is also worthy of note that two other good clubs that have disposed of good and tried men have been doing badly during the week when opposed to teams in which these players are. The New Yorks have, during the last few days, found out that Tim Keefe and Roger Connor are still among the best and it must fill the New York cranks with regret to know this. Richardson, Connor and Keefe could all have been retained in the New York club, and if they had been there now what a difference there would be compared to that which there is. The absence of these men will cost the club thousands of dollars and it is just such cases as this that should make club officials exemely careful in releasing good men who

may be temporarily out of torm. We have still another example in Von der Ahe in allowing Comiskey to go. The Browns are making a most wretched show and there does not seem to be either head or tail to the team. Already Von der Ahe has commenced to change captains, players, etc. Whether or not the bad state of things is ecause Comiskey is no longer there in charge. I don't say, but the fact is that there were no such disruptions and defeats among the Browns when Comiskey was in charge. The Eastern teams have commenced in the West, but we must wait until they play a few more games against each other before

making any comparisons. A Good Local Team.

here is a really good team in They have played games enough to prove this, and as one of the public I am very much inclined to think that when in form the local team are better than the Louis. villes. The three cames during the week between the teams lend me to this conclusion. We have better fielders and better hitters, and ough I to have just as good, if not better, pitchers. By all means, the local players ought to have won two out of the three games played against Louisville but the courses of defeat in the third comought to serve as good lessons in future. The Louisville players watch every move in the game, and never overlook the most trivial point. This is what all teams should this is just what the local players did not do in the last game with Louisville Now this is not fault-finding; but it merely noting one or more of the causes of defeat-and if any of us have to take an interest in the came at all, surely we have a

ictory to be taken from us.

If the pitchers of the local club could only get steadted down I can't see why the team should tail to hold its own against any other team, with the exception of the Bostons. We have always been shaky in our pitchin separtment, and it seems to me that that is likely to be our drawback again.

A matter of great interest connected with the local club during the week has been the resignation of President Temple. I am assured that nothing except a pressure of other business has caused this, and from what I hear the pressure is a very powerful one. Everybody connected with the club regrets Mr. Temple's resolve, and all patrons of the club will regret it. He was in all respects well qualified for the office. He is an enthusiastic and courageous baseball supporter and one of the ablest business men in the State. These are excellent qualities for a President of a baseball club to possess. It is indeed a pity that en-cumstances have compelled him to step from the tront when he was so useful in the

Mr. W. W. Kerr will succeed Mr. Temple, and a better man could not be found for the office. He is respected by everybody. Mob Bule in Chicago.

Everybody who takes an interest in the

national game would certainly regret the disgraceful proceedings at Chicago yesterday week, by which Anson was robbed of a game and the Louisville team was unjustly credited with a victory. I don't think a more disgraceful occurrence has been known in baseball, because it is now generally admitted that the whole business was designed by the friends of Pieffer. This fact alone gives it an importance that demands the ittention of every official of the League.

If there was a question that demanded the attention of the Board of Control this is one, because, as far as is publicly known, the team got a victory contrary to all rules of fair play and contrary to all rules and custom of sport. The facts of the case are very simple and easy to under-The Chicago and Louisville teams were playing a game, and when it was about inished the Chicagos were in the lead and victory for them looked a foregone con To prevent this victory the triends Fred Pteffer, at least his admirers and enemies of Anson, broke from their seats and crowded the grounds. The game was stopped, and Pteffer went to the umpire

claimed the game, which claim was althat the whole affair was cut and dried. I won't go as far as saying that it was, but most certainly the above facts are strong enough to cause the Board of Control to have the game played over again. If such a thing were to occur in other branches of sport the victory would be awarded to the Chicago team. It must not be forgotten that there are two factions in Chicago. One is the National League element and the other is made up of those who want to down the League. Pfeffer is prominent among the latter, and naturally his friends at

Chicago would sacrifice anything to see him down Anson, or at least stop Anson from downing him. This is an excee lingly bad element in baseball, and one of the most effective ways to stop its development would be for the Board of Control to order the line of the stop inflicting pain. The day of ill treating pigeons before trapping them is past as far before the board over again. If this is Chicago would sacrifice anything to see him down Anson, or at least stop Anson from downing him. This is an excee lingly bad element in baseball, and one of the most effective ways to stop its development would be for the Board of Control to order the game to be played over again. If this is not done then there will be every inducement for evenies of a team to stop them from winning.

But there is a vast amount of betting on baseball games, and, according to the Chicago affair, men could bet on the result of a game, and money would go a long way, toward exciting a mob sufficiently to bring about a result suitable to the bet. This is a very serious matter. For a long time baseball has been pure and fair to all. Certainly the aftar at Chicago tarnished it considerable and that tenished are considerable and that tenished as a considerable and that tenished are considerable and that tenish are considerable and that the considerable are considerable and considerable are considerable and considerable are considerable and considerable are considerable and erably, and that tarnish can only be removed by the powers that be acting heroi-cally in the matter and giving the public to understand that mob rule won't be toler-

The National Game Booming. And isn't there a wonderful boom in baseball just now? Why, there is scarcely a little munity in the country that has not its league, and there is hardly a hamlet that has not its ball team. The truth is that in some localities the game is being boomed MEETING OF M'AULIFFE AND MYER so much that there is great danger of its being boomed out of sight.

We must not forget that we can turn on water enough to drown the mill, and if our baseball cranks persist in inundating us with too much baseball some of us will get tired of it.

It is because of what I have just said that I have doubts about the wisdom of bringing a State League team here. Our mutual friend, Frank Torreyson, deserves success in baseball if ever man did, but it may be that his enthusiasm prompted him to reach too far. No person would be more pleased than I were Frank to locate a team in Pittsburg and make a success of it, but there is so much amateur and semi-amateur baseball here already that it would seem foolish to bring any more.

But this desire to have lots of leagues and loss of clubs is a hopeful sign. It proves beyond a doubt that the public admiration of the national came is stronger than ever, and that as long as it is kept clear of quar-rels and bitter enmities everything will be all right. If there is one thing I have argued more than another during the last two or three years it has been that the pub-lic do not like fights and feuds mixed up with their amusements and recreation, and so far this season it has proven the force of my contention. We need go no further than Pittsburg to prove this. Just as soon as everything has been pleasantly arranged and the factions of baseball put to one side the attendance at our local games has been markable. I trust they will continue to be so and that the feelings among the various magnates will continue to show to the public that those directly interested are at peace with each other.

The New Cricket League.

The new cricket league has been thoroughly organized, although it is not as extensive as originally intended. There are four clubs in it, and, when everything is considered, that is quite a sufficient number to start out with, because cricket contests are only like themselves. If there were too many of them it is safe to say that many of the players would not be able to attend them all. The game is more for the "leisure class" than the masses. One of the promi-nent local players, during a conversation the other day, made a few very pertinent remarks to me on the matter. He said: "It will be a long time before we can get our game thoroughly established here. We

must wait until the class of leisure gets more numerous, and just as sure as they grow in numbers just as sure will cricket and one or two more good old games become more popular." There is much truth in the above, bu still for those who understand cricket, rich or poor, there is a deal of fun in an afternoon's contest at the end of the week after daily toil has been dispensed with for a short time. Those who have not been in-

itiated into the fun of a Saturday after-noon's cricket contest do not know what they miss I assure you.
It is to be hoped that the new League will succeed, and that it will be the means of introducing to this locality some good

More About Amateurism.

It would seem as if trouble among our amateurs was never going to cease. No ooner is one disputed point settled than up obs another about 100 per cent more important than any of the previous ones. For long time we had the trouble about training expenses. That has at least for a time seen smoothed down. But now we have apparently a more important matter than ever, because no less than about 300 boxers have been expelled from amateur ranks for riolating the rules of amateurism. doing things by wholesale certainly, and the end is probably not yet, because some of these expelled boxers have been allowed perform at various amateur clubs since heir expulsion. Tals makes the entertain ments professional if it does anything, and herefore it will be in order to bounce these

clubs bedily.
It is the A. A. U. that has done all this "chucking out," and in my estimation they have done perfectly right. The majority of these boxers have for a long time been a lisgrace to amateurism and a greater one to the art of boxing. As boxers, as far as I name. Some time ago Dominick McCaffrey told me that he never in his life knew or heard of such a collection of boxing frauds as New York and vicinity was stocked with The standard was so bad that Dominick was forced to turn out and engage profes-sionals for the Manhattan Club entertain-

ments. But bad as these alleged boxers were they were preventing many a tolerably fair pro-tessional boxer from earning a dollar or two. These so-called amateurs were receiving pay clandestinely to contest at amateur and other athletic entertainments. They were passing as "gentlemen boxers" and receiv ing "cut-rate" pay, while the poor profes sional, who was looked upon as the "bruiser," had to stand by and get nothing. This condition of things really continued for a long time and all lovers of the manle art and of pure amateurism will be glad that the A. A. U. has had the nerve to call

Once more I repeat that athletes who nowadays want to remain amateurs need be careful, and particularly the bicyclists.

Cruelty to Pigeons, During the next few days we will have a number of the best gun shots in the world among us. The three days' tournament promoted by Messra E. E. Shaper and "Jim Crow" will take place, and the gun dealers and manufacturers in the East

guarantee \$1,000 in prizes. This ought to draw out some big entry lists. Pittsburg is a good city for many things, and recently it has been proven that it is a good city for shooting. Of late we have had some of the best and biggest shooting tournaments in the country, and this is to some extent an assurance that the tournament next week will probably be better

than any of its predecessors. There are

good people behind it.

Speaking of the tournament reminds me of the charge of cruelty to animals preferred recently against the parties who were interested in the recent live bird shoot at Exposition Park. Live bird shooting has been assailed by a certain class of peo ple for more than a quarter of a century that I know of. At times the matter has risen to such importance as to be the sub-ject of animated and instructive discussion in the British House of Commons. Personally I remember a time when it was certainly necessary for the law to interfere, because there were human beings fiendish enough to put pigeons through the most awful tortures before putting them into a trap. This was the kind of cruelty that stirred up the British teelings, and not any se-called cruelty of shooting the birds. But the kind of cruelty I spec was only in matches where one side finds and traps the other side's pigeons. Tour-naments are different, and there is certainly

in country places, and that is the only real cruelty, because if wounding a bird when on the wing is cruel then every man who goes hunting and is a good enough shot to hit a live bird can be charged with the crime of cruelty to animals, if there is any

logic in the question at all.

Regarding the definition of cruelty to pigeons Judge Paxson's opinion is on record. Depend upon it if our philanthropic societies would look a little more beneath the surface for cases instead of making a noise about very small and filmsy matters that are public, there would be many vicious evils remedied and much good done. A good turn done in obscurity is more creditable than one done in public. Those very trivial matters in public seem to command much more of the time of our reformers than the very great and serious matters in obscurity. Is it a desire for notoriety more than the desire to do good at prompts this?

Hall and Fitzsimmons Once More. Probably no two pugilists of recent years have had more to say about each other than have James Hall and Robert Fitzsimmons. They have blackguarded each other almost as much as it is possible for two men to do, but whether or not this has been for effect I don't know. I assume that both men are in earnest, and on this assumption we will have a little talk about the latest phase of

the efforts to get the two men together.

Just when we all thought that a contest between them was sure Hall calls a halt—at least, he and his manager do. Here we have another illustration of this scheming have another illustration of this scheming method of "managing" boxers and pugilists. Hall, for we must use his name and not that of his manager, declines to fight at the time demanded by the club putting up the purse and agreed to by Fitzsimmons, viz., next September. In this Hall is entirely to blame, and his action will lead many people the best of the second s to believe that he does not want to fight Fitzsimmons at all, and only wants to talk according to the promptings of that shrewd man, Parson Davies.

It is easy to see the unreasonable and scheming policy of Davies in this matter. Here is a club offering a purse of no less than \$12,000 for two men, one of whom may be a rank cur. He has not been tried at all since he landed in this country, but, like Maher, has been boomed to the most extravagant extent, only to get the public dollars at shows. Despite this very important fact, this untried man will not consent to a contest at a time when profit is certain for those who offer the purse. On the contrary, Hall not only declines to fight when the Olympic wants him, but insists on up a crew of men which will stand well for such a big purse as is offered. This is the entire matter in a nutshell, and it says very little for Mr. Davies particularly very little for Mr. Davies, particularly after the noise he has made about the comparative merits of Hall and Fitzsimmons. If the present efforts to arrange a match between these men fail it is hard to tell when they will ever meet. That they have not met in the ring before now is no fault of Fitzsimmons, for I firmly believe that he is courageous enough to meet anybody.
Hall's record on this point is not so good.
He kicked and squirmed for weeks about
weight, and now that Fitzsimmons has conceded him everything and the remarkable

purse of \$12,000 has been offered, Hall raises another objection. Surely the public ought to get tired of a lot of these boxers. The Lightweight Champions. Last week I said something to the effect that McAuliffe and Myer would not meet again. No sooner had I said that than the news-comes that they had agreed to fight during the week of the Sullivan-Corbett fight. There were good reasons for saying what I did say, and although they have agreed to fight there may still never be a

But all admirers and patrons of the ring will be glad if a contest does take place be-tween these two famous lightweights, alhe can get into as good a condition as he ever was when he met Austin Gibbons he will surprise me. If he is not his chances will not be very

Even at this date so far from the pro battle, it may salely be said that the battle will not be a short one. We have seen that Myer can wait and wait with effect. He made a draw with McAuliffe the last time they met, and he waited long enough against Jimmy Carroll to defeat him. He sure to wait against McAuliffe, and the latter will not be as likely to stay next September as he has been in past contests. But it is much too soon to arrive at any-thing like a definite conclusion as to the outcome of the contest.

Johnson and Dixon.

After all we are going to have a battle between Fred Johnson, the English chamoion bantam weight, and George Dixon, the colored youth and champion of the world Johnson is on his journey to this country now, and arrangements have been made to the battle take place in the Without something very unexpected takes place the two little champions will fight before long, and their contest is sure to be

an interesting one.

I trust that partisans will not be offended if I express the hope that Johnson will get better fair play in the East than did the other English champion who fought there, viz., Jem Carney. That he was robbed of victory over McAuliffe there is no parties who are promoting the battle will see that the stranger has fair play. It is natural to expect that Dixon will be the favorite, but Johnson will have quite a umber of friends,

It will be seen that the styles of the two champious are very dissimilar in many re-spects. As far as science is concerned John-son, in my estimation, will show up much better than Dixon, but the latter has other advantages that may counterbalance this One thing I feel pretty confident of, and that is that Dixon will find Johnson a very difficult customer to hit, but the colored man may have much the better of it so far as strength is concerned.

Pugilists in General. There really has been little going on dur-

ing the week among the "active" pugilists. Little Van Heest has again demonstrated the fact that he is a good man in his class. Long ago I came to the conclusion that he was of the right material, and the way in was of the right material, and the way in which he polished off George Siddons the other day stamps him as one among the best. Tommy Hogan, a Pittsburger, by the way, is on his way out to San Francisco, and the wo may have a contest. They have fought before, when Van Heest was the victor. But the last time I met Hogan he assured me that he could defeat Van. I think diferent, although Tommy is quite a game

piece of humanity.

Slavin is still the favorite for his coming battle with Peter Jackson. The last ac-count I saw about these two men was that both were doing well and that Jackson was in excellent condition. If this is true the contest should be a good one, but I still fancy Slavin's chances.

Sullivan is remaining considerably in the background just now. He does now and then step to the iront and say a few words about his coming affair with Corbett, but it s only to remind the public that Corbatt is Corbett continues his fake "knock outs,

ided by Jack McVey, alias McCarthy, Mc Cann, etc. PRINGLE Librarian Linderfelt Still in Jail. MILWAUKEE, April 29.-The case of A K. Linderfelt, Public Librarian and selfcontensed embezzler of public funds, was continued until next to-day. Linderfelt is in jail. His bond was placed at \$5,000, which he has been unable to secure.

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NEWS OF INTEREST TO THE AMATEURS

The Allegheny Athletic Association has ecured the Schenley property at the corner of Duquesne was and Third street, and will erect thereon a clubhouse to cost about \$75,000. The ground is 96x170 feet, a good size and in a most splendid location for the purpose for which it is to be used. It is leased for a long term of years, equivalent to a purchase.

The grounds will come into possession of he club July 1, when work will begin for the building, which promises to be one of the finest for gymnasium and social purposes combined in this part of the country. The gymnasium will occupy the entire first floor, which will probably occupy the entire lot, giving ample room for the large membership to take the necessary exercise to keep mind and body in good working order. There will also be a complete natatorium in connection, Turkish, Roman and tub baths, and probably a swimming bath. In the stories above the gymnasium will be parlors, library, etc., for those who become members more especially for the social advautages offered. This class of members

will be as well cared for as the athletes. Boating on the Allegheny a Feature. With its excellent location on the river

front, the association will be prepared tor boating, and will add that to the list of its features. In the membership of the club are quite a number of good oarsmen, men who have been in some of the best college crews in the country, and it will only re quire training to put them into condition to do their old-time work. Among them is Eugene L. Messler, who was on last year's Yale crew. He is now at Yale and is scheduled for the college crew this year. He is not only a good oarsman, but is also up in football and baseball.

With the good timber on hand and what probable that all this can be done this year, as by the time the clubhouse is finished and everything is ready for the boys, the season will be too far gone; but they will be prepared to train and get in working trim this year, and next season will go into the sport for all it is worth and pull out with a good record. The Athletic Company to Be Incorporated

The ground has been secured and the building will be erected by the Allegheny Athletic Company. The attorneys of the company are now preparing the papers to incoporate the company, which will have a capital stock of \$100,000. Nearly the whole amount has been taken, and within the past tew days a large amount of stock has been sold. It is said that a certain wealthy gentleman, who is much interested in athletics, made a proposition to the association to furnish all the money necessary to erect the clubhouse provided he was guaranteed 6 per cent interest, but this was refused, the club preferring to hold the property among

With the new clubhouse the Allegheny Athletic Association will be prepared for all kinds of indoor sport. A suspended running track will furnish good training facilities for the speedy members the year though it would have been much better if round. The floor space will admit of a m they had fought a year or so ago. Interest in the proposed battle greatly depends on the condition of McAuliffe. If course, a first-class instructor will be seeured, who will give the members the neo essary attention to keep them on the work that will give them the proper develop ment. The trouble encountered when there s no instructor is that the members are liable to over-development in some parts and under development in others.

A Big Boom in the Membership. With the advantages to be offered the club will have a boom in membership. This month 25 names were added to the list and there are 50 others known to be ready to join as soon as the grounds are ready for play. At present there is no initiation fee clubhouse is ready for occupancy. For this reason it behooves the people who expect to become members to do so at once and save

the initiation fee.

Work on the grounds continue and they will be ready for business in a very few days. The big steam roller has been on Recreation Park all last week, and this week will be put to work on the tennis courts. These courts will be ready for play in two weeks, unless something unforeseen occurs. There is no lawn in the old Y. M. C. A. Park and it is too late to make one this season, but grass seed will be sown and the grounds will be better prepared for

play in another year. F. R. Coates, who played guard for Lehigh, and who has she reputation of being the largest and one of the best foot-ball men Lehigh ever had, has joined the three A's. He was two years manager of Lehigh's baseball team and president and vice president of the Inter-Collegiate Athletic Association governing Eastern col leges. Mr. Coates also holds a good record

in a one-mile walk. At egh-ny thletic Association Doings, President Temple and ex-President J. Palmer O'Neill, of the Pittsburg base ball club, are among the new me bers of the club. Mr. O'Neill was once (in one game) a famous pitcher, but it is not likely that he will be on the three A's team. W. J. MacConnell, of the Orange Athletic Blub, is another member. He is a famous rusher in toot ball, is 5 feet 11% inches in height,

and weighs 210 pounds.

Jay Cox, of the Cleveland Athletic Club, at Ann Arbor, Mich., is also newly on the list, and H. H. Rowand, half back, considered Washington and Jefferson's best foot-ball player, is now a three A's man, as is B. F. McVay, President of the Inter-Colle-giate Athletic Association and Manager of the Washington-Jefferson base bail team. The Association's champion athletic teas is E. V. Paul, J. B. McKennen and George M. Laughlin, Jr., a trio of which any organization might be proud. There are a number of others who will soon be included among the Association's champions. P. S. Coombs, one of the new members, is

a good all-around baseball man.
Ross Fiscus, of Indiana, Pa., one of the best football men in the State, is expected to locate in the city, in which case he will me one of the Three A men and will put the shot and throw the hammer. The Athletic Committee has the club field day well under way and four starters are guaranteed for the majority of the events. A great deal of good material has been developed in the Association since last season and a much better showing is ex-

EAST END GYM NOTES. The Wheelmen Elect Officers and Adopt a

Constitution-The Ladies' Class. The East End Gym Wheelmen have per feeted their organization by electing officers and adopting a constitution. J. P. Culbertson Jr., is Captain and President; Dr. George S. Proctor, First Lieutenant and ecretary, and E. Everett Kehew, Second Lieutenant and Treasurer. The uniform adopted is a dark blue suit with white cap and club emblem of crimson. The Captain's badge of office will be a crimson ribbon on the cap one inch in width; that of the First Lieuteant three-quarters of an inch, and "LA BATAILLE!"

Song of the Anarchists, Recently Suppressed in Paris, the Words by Gerault Richard, Music by Marcel Legay.



Comme nos aines de quinze ans, Qui se battirent en geants ntre Versailles. Railies au rouge d'apeau, Risquons hardiment notre peau Dans la bataille.

Nous avons vu ves trois couleurs Galvauder chez les empereurs De la ripaille; La notre n'a jamais flotte Qu'au souffie de l'Egalite, Dans la bataille.

Notre etendard est flamboyant, Car il fut teint du noble sang De la Cavallie; Depuis un siecle, ses heros N'ont jamais su tourner le dos A la bataille,

Dans vos estomacs bedonnants

Nous ferons, bourgeois rumin.
Plus d'une entaille:
La lutte sera sans merci,
Nous aurons le cœur endurei
Dans la bataille. Femmes: ils crevent d'appetits Pendant que vos pauvres petits Sont sur la puille: Quand-vos enfants pieurent de froid,

A la batuille. Assez de discours, endormeurs La coleré envahit nos cœurs Et les tenaille; out! et des demain,

A ceux qui volent notre pai Livrons bataille!

Come children of the slaughtered.
Load the guns they wore, now rusted,
Freely with grape shot.
War on the corruptionist, our tyranta
Come! Awake! Close your ranks
To battle! st, our tyrantal

As our boys of fifteen, Who like glants fought fiercely Against Versailles. Rallied round the red flag Let us risk our lives bravely In battle.

We have seen your tri-color Floating with the emperors At their feasts. Ours has never been unfurled But at the rally cry of Equality In battle.

Our standard is flaming
For it has been stained with the noble ble
Of the canaille.
For a century its heroes
Have never learned how to run
From battle. In your big barrel bellies We will make, O cow like bourgeois

More than one sword thrust. The struggle will be without mercy Our hearts will be quite hardened In battle! Women! They gorged themselves
While your poor little ones
Starved to death.
When your children cry from cold
Teach them to march in line
To battle.

Enough of this talk, apathistel Anger invades our hearts Anger invades our hearts
And clutches them.
Come, arise, and henceforth
To those who rob us of our bread
Let us give battle!

the Second Lieutenant one-half inch. The club will begin its career with over 20 mem-bers and good prospects for a great many

The ladies' class of 25 members will begin in the East End Gymnasium May 1. Prospects are good for an interesting summer programme. The tennis grounds will soon regramme. The tennis grounds will soon be ready for play.

Prof. L. F. Kirchner is in Philadelphia.

He attended the meeting of the Philadel-phia amateur athletes last evening. No E. E. G. C. men were in attendance. Tom McNulty, of Braddock, has joined the East End Gyms. He is quite a good amateur boxer.

Pittsburg Cyclers Preparing to Take in the Capital With the L. A. W.

There will be a good delegation of Pittsburgers at the L. A. W. meeting in Washington in July. It is already announced that the Keystones will send a number of men to the meeting, and after the close shout a dozen of them will take a week's trip down the Shenandoah Valley. There will also be a number of members of other clubs from the city in attendance.

Several members of the Allegheny Cyclers were out on a wheeling trip last Sunday, when Charley Petticord's Victor pneumatic got out of breath. He had forgotten his pneumatic pump and was in a fix. All the eyclers in McKeesport were run down, but no pump could be tound. At last the boys were helped out by an obliging druggist with an embalmer's pump. Charley is now afraid to enter any races for fear his machine will run a "head heat."

Frank Lenz is busy making preparation for his long trip around the world. The Allegheny Cyclers gave him a pleasant "goodby banquet" Wednesday evening, at their clubhouse on Irwin avenue, Allegheny. Mr. Lenz expects to have a pleasant trip, and he goes with the God-sp all local evclers.

The Allegheny Cyclers will give Mr. Lenz farewell run out the Butler plank road to lay. They will probably go to Butler and

A VICTIM OF STAGE FRIGHT.

Peculiar Experience of a Young and Talented San Francisco Planist-Utterly Unable to Face a Home Audience After Often Appearing in Berliu.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29 .- [ Special. ]-Samuel G. Fleischman, a young San Francisco pianist, who has just returned from eight years' sojourn in Europe, was billed to give a piano recital last night in Metropolitan Hall, but he had an attack of stage fright, and fled to his home. A large audience waited till 9 o'clock, when the manager announced that an accident had hefallen the performer and he could not appear. His old mother was sitting near the front of the house, and fainted when she

The tamily and friends returned to the before anyone thought of searching the premises for the missing man. He was found in the cellar, lying on the floor, in a dazed state, with flute in hand. When resuscitated, he declared he felt dizzy as he was about to enter the hall and knew nothing more. He evidently walked home, went old trunk, got out the flute, which was his favorite instrument when a boy,

and attempted to play it. The doctor said it was an attack of vertigo induced by excitement. Fleischman hasn't recovered to-day and is confined to the house. The singular feature of the affair is that he has given many performances in Berlin. He has composed a symphony and quartet for strings, both highly praised by ritics. He has also written a symphon poem based on Schiller's "Hero and Lean-der," which Anton Seidel produced with great success. Those who know him best say he suffers from stage tright precisely as Fechter did when playing a new part for the first time. and fifty convicts and 700 miners were em-

The Department of Charities has returned Mrs. Bertha Frank and her three children to New York, whence they will be shipped to their bome in Berlin, Germany. Mrs. Frank's husband died while they were on their way to this country, three months ago, and his body was cast overboard. She came to relatives in this city, but found them too poor to help her, and having friends in Berlin returned to them by the

## A WORLD-FAMOUS SCIENTIST

Prof. Siley, of Uncle Jerry's Departm Is Known All Over the World.

At the head of modern economic entonology stands Prof. C. V. Riley, the Government Entomologist of the United States. Wherever, in the civilized world, this science is studied, wherever intelligent farmers endeavor to control the insect enemies of their crops, his name is known and his writings studied. While holding high rank as a scientist, he is eminently practical. Not long ago the "fluted scale" was doing immense injury to the citrus fruit in that in its native home in Australia it was kept in check by its natural enemy, the "lady bird" or "lady bug." So after great effort Prof Riley introduced into California hundreds of Australia's lady birds; and now the pest is being speedily reduced to harmlessness. His studies of the Hessian fly and



Prof. C. V. Riley. English agricultural prosperity, and he was elected an honorary member of the Royal Agricultural Society and also of the Entoological Society of London. For his services the French Government presented him with a gold medal, and honored him with the Cross of the Legion of Honor.

Professor Riley was born in Chelsea, England, and educated in England, France, and later at Bonn in Germany. Two pas-sions characterized his early life-one was his love of natural history, the other of drawing and painting. A love of travel led him to the United States, and he settled on farm near Chicago. Here his attention was directed to the injuries to crops by insects, and he soon became absorbed in the study of practical entomology. Some years ago Professor Riley presented the National Museum with his private collection of 115,000 pinned specimens—the labor of 25 years, and he has since built up around that nucleus a collection that is unsurpassed n America.

A BATCH OF HORRORS.

Overcrowded Japan a Great Source for Hair-Raising News.

YOKOHAMA, April 29 .- A tempest raged along the coast of Nunoyospinimia, Awagun and Chiba April 1, and of 30 fishing boats out at the time, eight were wrecked and the others had not been heard from to April 12. Nine bodies had been washed ashore from the wrecked craft. The steamer Idzumo Maru, which was engaged in trading between Csemulpo and Fusan, struck a rock at the entrance to an island in the Korean Archipelago April 4 and sank. Of 50 persons on board 13 were saved. It is supposed the others were all drowned.

An explosion of firedamp occurred at Horonai colliery Marca 18. One hundred

ployed in the colliery, of whom a number were killed and several fatally wounded. Smallpox is raging in Yokohama, and it a said that several hundred cases have resulted istally.

Three Chinese junks making for Wenchow were attacked and boarded by pirates.
The captain and chief officer of one junk were beheaded and all three vessels looted.

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Bessie Bramble Agrees With Andrew Lang That It's Dangerous.

MOST FAMOUS MEN ARE INSANE.

The Women Who Are Chained Up to Them See Their Seamy Side.

INSTANCES FURNISHED BY HISTORY

WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH. Mr. Andrew Lang, the English essayist, strongly advises young women not to marry literary men. If the majority of girls were ever disposed to accept good advice in the matter of marriage it is likely they would take thought of the general belief that there is something akin in what the world calls genius and insanity. But no people eccive more of admiration and indulgence for their faults than those known as men of genius. Their eccentricities are overlooked and excused on the score of their gifts of intellect and power of expression. What are sins in other men are in them simply the errors supposed to be the natural accompaniments to high-strung sensitive people of more than common intellectua

Women who marry such men usually do so through admiration of their talents and blind unreasoning sentiment. The tragedy of an unhappy marriage very often follows. A poet, an artist, a famous writer, whatever may be his failings, appeals to the vanity and soft side of sentimental women, and they fail to see how men inspired by genius, and the producers of such beautiful words and noble works can be aught but lovely in the every-day business of domestic life. Milton, one of the greatest of English poets, fell suddenly in love with Mary Powell at the age of 35.

What Witch's Honeymoon Revealed, She may have been attracted by his fame as a writer, or his beauty as a man, or by the mysterious illusion of love which so often impels women to marry the men least suited to them, or it may have been the blind chance which brings to so many a blank in the lottery of marriage. But the honeymoon destroyed the illusion, made the blank a reality, and emphasized the fact that poets, as a rule, are not fitted for genial, pleas-ant companions. They have little or no taste for the sweetness and happiness of domestic life. Milton may have chosen his wife through vanity or caprice, as they are most men do. He may have supposed, in the plenitude of his brain power, that his condescension in marrying her and his love, such as he could feel for an inferior being, and he duly appreciated by her in the would be duly appreciated by her in the way of a return of deference to his whims and entire submission to his will in all things.

He proposed to rule in all matters. He intended to allow no impediment whatever to interfere with his chosen pursuits. His dignity did not suffer him to come down to the small affairs of life. He soared to the sublime and lived upon the heights, while he expected her to dig and delve to secure his daily comfort. As a wife, she resented his neglect. She grew weary of his harsh ness. She had no taste for being anubbed She found that a poet in domestic life was more of an inspired tyrant than an agreeshe went home to her people, refused to return, or to send any answers to his demands. Then he poured out his soul and vented his rage in his writings upon di-

Experience Made Him No Wiser. After some time they became reconciled, and accepted their lot in lite as husband and wife. The marriage was not a happy

one, but after this first wife's death Milton showed himself no wiser by virtue of this experience than before, since he married two others afterward without any happier ion of the intellect of women, and Dr. Johnson is authority for the statement that he would not permit his daughters to learn to write. However this may be, the fact seems to be that his judgment belied his brains, and that his wives and daughters hated him and complained much of his cruelty. One of his daughters, it is said, on hearing that he was to be married the third time, said that "his marriage was no third time, said that "his marriage news; the best news would be his death." His domestic life was unhappy all the way through, which shows that Milton in choice of wives exercised neither wisdom nor common sense and that the wives in accepting a poet, with all his genius and fame, did not consider the character of the

man, or else were deficient in the faculty of managing him.

The justly celebrated poet, Robert Burns, with his fitful flashes of poetic fire, his in-tensity of passion and vividness of imagination, was not a husband to make a wife happy. His "Bonnie Jean" had much to be patient with, much to forgive and much to suffer. Domestic trouble of his own making cast a cloud over both their lives. were only equaled by the intensity of his disgust with the straits of poverty, and the disappointment of his most cherished

The Case of Lord Byron.

Poor Byron's story is well known. He was stern, stoical and revengeful. He married more through motives of revenge than love. Duty, self-control, respectability were English virtues he refused to recognize. Morbid, quarrelsome, evnical, he poured out his wrath upon his wife without stint. Their tempers were incompatible, He rebelled with all the passionate fury of a great genius against the restraints of domestic life and the conventionalities of society. All the miseries of a mad marriage were realized to the full by both of them. At the end of a year they separated never to meet again. What she saw in

Shellev made a blunder in his first mar-riage. Poets, they say, fall in love with the ideal woman, not the real one, bence comes the oft repeated statement that "great poets who marry are uniformly un-happy in domestic life." Women who marry men of genius do so through senti-ment, and soon find the end of their illusions. No man, says Madame de Sévigne, is a hero to his valet, and no poet or genius is a demigod to his wife after she has discovered how he can grumble over his dinner, and make himself generally disagree able as a crank full of tautrums. There is hardly a marriage made that the Mrs. Grun-dies do not hold up their bands and wag their tongues to ask what on earth the man saw in that woman to attract him. A beau titul woman never weds that there are no

what possessed her to waste her loveliness on that "stupid chump." John Wesley's Unhappy Marriage, What did John Wesley with all his gifts of grace and genius and powers of judgment see in the Widow Vizelie? That he made an awful blunder is shown by the fact that they could not live together in peace, and that their in elicitous marriage was followed by a separation that in those days was conthat it is doubtful if a man ever exercise his brain power in his choice of a wite. may be an adept in reading men, but a total failure when it comes to women. He may be attracted by beauty of form or face, but when it comes to applying his judgment to discerning character he most frequently proves himself to be a blunderhead.

The same incapacity and lack of faculty is noted as a peculiarity in men of genius in the management of business. It would of life, his wealth of intellectual attain-

MARRYING A GENIUS. an "inspired idiot." All manuer of stories is told of his ridiculous blunders, and he was set down as an "incurable fool" for his inability to manage his own affairs, or to succeed in keeping out of debt.

Bonyan Married Improvidently. Bunyan, although he did not make so bad a marriage as some other men of letters, yet relates, that when he and his wife were married, "they had not so much household stuff as a dish or a spoon between them." Her sole portion was two books entitled "The Plain Man's Pathway to Heaven," and "The Practice of Piety." It was a most improvident marriage as the world would judge it. In his opposition to the prayer book, he was willing to give up wife, children, friends and liberty. He did not exercise his mind enough to realize that the worst that could happen to him was exile to America, and that preaching dissent was of America and that preaching dissent was of less importance than the care of his family. Carlyle confesses in his "Reminiscenses" that he was a "miserable egotist" in his home and with his wife. She was a wonderfully gifted woman who, for his sake and her pride in him, sacrificed her own ambition and became a veritable household mar-tyr. He did tull credit to her courage, her talents, her devotion after she was dead —in the manner of most men—though too vain and selfish, by his own confession, to take thought of her patience, her grace and nobleness while living. Their marriage was not a happy one. Carlyle lived in his books and studies, leaving all of the disagreeables and contrivings of poverty to her, that could have been made so much less

trying by his sympathy and appreciation, to save him discomfort. Nor did he spare her the sight of his devotiou to other women who flattered his vanity, but who, save for his tame, would never have noticed him. What Charles Dickens saw in his wife to do credit to his brains is not known. very certain that after marriage she saw very little in him for people to make a fuss over. While the world was sounding his praises she discounted them at home by de-preciation. She mortified him in public by saving she did not understand what they saw in his books to admire so much. To her they were tiresome. As they grew older they grew apart, and finally became so older they grew apart, and finally became so unhappy they had to apparate. Dickens found more congenial friends, who flattered him and ministered to his vanity, while at home his greatness was not recognized. His wife had full knowledge of his faults and the seamy side of the idol of the public. Behind the scenes it is likely his creative genius was overtopped by his intolerance as a husband and his neglect of the mother of his children, upon whose good name no cloud had ever rested save that brought upon it by the repudiation of the man who had solemnly promised to love, honor and cherish her until death did them part.

The Case of Count Toistoi.

But the man of letters now, it would ap-pear, who most distinguishes himself for queernes and fanaticism is Tolstoi. Arrayed in the ordinary dress of a peasant, he works in the fields as a day laborer, and devotes his leisure hours while entertaining friends in his wife's drawing room to cobbling and making shoes, and-as a friend takes occasion to remark-very poor shoes at that. As related by George Kennan, he has rather a contempt for his earlier novels, which first brought him into fame, and is now engaged in the promotion of his re-ligious ideas, which he bases upon a literal acceptance of the Sermon on the Mount. He ardently upholds that much talked-of, but so little practiced, destrine of the "brotherhood of man," and finds fault with the United States for crushing the Mormons with oppressive laws, and for forbidding Chinese immigration. He stoutly main-tains that the Chinese have as much right in this country as Americans themselves, even if they should come over in such numers as to completely enslave the country. He also professes complete disbelief in Calvinistic total depravity, and also Darwinian development, which he describes as a "great

That his peculiar views are not shared by his wife and part of his family is well known. It can well be believed that a wife who is the mother of his 15 children can hardly do other than resent his sentiments as expressed in the "Kreutzer Sonata" on the subject of love and marriage. He seems to share the old ascetic idea that women are a "painted evil," and that they beautify and adorn themselves, not for love

struction the innocent brethren. How He Humi lates His Wife,

Like John Bunyan, who was prepared to ive up wife and children and reduce o poverty rather than stop denouncing the established church and a prayer-book clergy, Tolstoi does not scruple to bring unhappi-ness into his home by promulgating the ab-surd idea that women are responsible for all the evil in the world—that moral disintegration, causing materialism, is entirely their fault. He announces that "99 per cent of married people have a hell upon carth and this hell cannot be improved"—that "mar-riage nowadays is a deceit—a compulsion" -that by this method of the marriage of to day woman is "a slave that Is bei keted, and that she is out ever hunting for a man." What wife would not feel herself a man." What wife would not reel herself insulted by such sentiments held by her husband and publicly expressed. Before Tolstoi was married "he declared he had outlived all illusions and had come to the dregs of life." Then he tried marriage. With every year says a friend of family, he becomes more extreme in his views. He maintains supremacy in his house and has reduced all the living to the

tmost simplicity.
"All refinements of speech and manner," says this writer, "have become sintul in his eyes. Every morning he arises with new maggets in his brain." Not long ago he announced that as his works were to benefit humanity, he would no longer take money for them. With a family of 15 children such loss of means would be serious, so Madame Tolstoi had to consult friends and lawyers who advised her to take all of the business affairs into her own hands as much as possible. His writings, after the fashion of the "Kreutzer Sonta" have grown vulgar, and adapted mainly to the lowest minds. Some of his children have fallen in with his facatical views, but the others repudiate them—and li tle wonder. What is the strangest about him is that his "Kredtzer Sonata" written to support the teachings of Christ, as he says, was yet ruled out of the mails by Mr. Wanamaker, and off the book counters by the censor of morals in New York, while most of his later works are under the ban in Russia, much to his regret as through them he hoped to do much for

the regeneration of that country.
Sincere and honest as he seems to be, Tolstot in himself gives strength to the statement that genius and insanity are nearly allied. A woman therefore should be as careful about marrying a genius as she should in uniting her life and fortune with a German Baron, a French Count, or a for-

eign nobleman of any description BESSIE BRAMBLE

CANADIANS MUST PAY TOLL Retaliatory Measures to Be Taken for the

Welland Canal Impositio DULUTH, April 29.-Private advices from Washington, where several Duluth men have been at work in the interest of the great lake channels headwater navigation from Deluth to the sea, indicate that there is a strong probability that retaliatory measures will be taken against Canada because of the imposition of tolls on American vessels

When this spring the Canadian Govern ment reimposed tolls on American vessels passing these canals, the attention of Secre-tary Blaine was brought to the matter by Secretary Thompson, of the Duluth Cham-The same incapacity and lack of faculty is noted as a peculiarity in men of genius in the management of business. It would seem as if they could not bring their lofty souls down to the everyday details of living. Oliver Goldsmith, with his knowledge trife, his wealth of intellectual attains. matter, and after a number of conferences ments—of whom Dr. Johnson said:
"Whether we take him as a poet, a comic writer or a historian he stands in the first class—was described by Walpole as made public in Washington.

passing the Welland and St. Lawrence