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gant. There are several other stables here which are more extravagantly finished, and I know of one belonging to a leading poli-tician which has brass harness hooks which cost \$40 apiece and which has sponge bowls WOULD NOT BE VICE

of brass which cost \$28 apiece. How Grant Got a Fast Horse. Next to Washington, Grant had perhaps

Next to Washington, Grant had perhaps the best horses of any other President, and one of the best horses he drove was gotten right here at the capital. His name was Butcher Boy, and Grant named him this from the circumstances attending his pur-chase. He was ont driving one day while he was President, and he tried to pass a butcher's cart, but, though he had a fast horse, the cart kept in advance of him, and he saw that the horse which nulled it was a he saw that the horse which pulled it was a good one. He kept after the cart until it got into Washington and followed it to its





Black Means Death.

place at which its driver stopped. He then sent a man to buy the horse, and he got it for a small amount, but it turned out to be a fast horse and a good one. Speaking of Grant one of his closes friends here at Washington was General Ed Beale, and it was to General Beale that he gave two of the horses which were sent him from Turkey by the Sultan, and I think these are now on General Beale's farm, near Washington. While I was in Turkey a few years ago I had a chat with the drago-man of our legation at Constantinople and he told me a queer story of the selection of these horses by the Sultan. The Sultan had sent a couple of fine steeds to the legation with the instruction that they should be sent to President Grant as a gift from him, and the Minister had, in company with this dragoman, tried them.

A Story About Grant's Arabians.

One was a magnificent jet black stallion, but in riding him the Minister thought he discovered a fault and he insisted that the it is needed even on the plains. Suppose you want to go to the house of a friend 20 dragoman should take him back to the Suling space being partly woodland and partly prairie or open land. Take your compass in your hand, and hold it steady until the needle becomes quiet. Now if you stand so that the needle of the compass points a little to the right of your breast, you will be facing nearly southwest—that is, in the direction of your friend's house. Now look straight abead toward the southwest and tan and ask him to send a better horse. The dragoman replied that he could not do this; that the horses were a gift, and he used the proverb about "not looking a gift horse in the mouth." But the Minister insisted and the dragoman went to the Sultan and asked "Senator Harrison, I think you stand a fair chance to be President, but you have a better one of being Vice President, and the head of the ticket may come from the East." Didn't Like the Cemetery Ronte. "I don't know about that," replied the straight ahead toward the southwest, and fix on some natural object as far away as possible, but in the exact direction. Any-thing that does not move will do-a house, a tree, a bill. Now, having fixed on the could do until at last a thought struck me that the horse was a black one and that black was the color of mourning in America. When I entered the palace the first thing that the Secretary asked me was as to how the Minister and myself liked the horses, and I replied that they were the finest horses that we had ever seen and that our President would feel very proud and would be delighted with the gift. I then went on to praise the horses, and especially the black one, which I said was magnificen in every respect, but-here I stopped, and the Secretary anxiously asked: 'But what? Is there anything the matter with the

"'No,' said I, 'but you know black is the color of mourning in the United States. It of a city upon a person? The bestowing upon that person of the color of mourning in the United States. It means death with us, and I just wondered whether such a gift might not be considered ominous if sent by the Sultan.' The Secre-tary saw the point at once, he spoke to the Sultan and I was thanked for my sug-gestion, and the horse was changed for one of another only and the large was changed for one privileges of citizenship in the city. In the old days only "free men of a city" were allowed to exercise their trades or professions in that place; and it took a long time to obtain the freedom. A person began as of another color and as sound as a dollar." an apprentice to a freeman; then he became

a journeyman, and traveled around, learning A New Story of Cleveland.

receive working pay. The Government puts its naval officers on what are prac-tically board wages, by paying them wait-ing pay when they are waiting for orders, shore pay and see pay; and that its the only employer in this country that does put its people on board wages. NOTES AND QUERIES. Curious Facts Regarding the Early

Presidental Elections.

ACROSS PLAINS WITH A COMPASS.

Why the High Army Officers Wear Silver,

the Subordinates Gold.

[WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.]

We have had the system of national con-

ventions for so long that one might be par-

doned for thinking that the Presidental

candidates had always been chosen at such

conventions. But they have not. There

the Vice Presidency at the first or the sec-

two persons, the person receiving the great-

jority, was chosen President; he who re-

ceived the next largest number was chosen

In 1796 Congressional cancuses nominated

(now the Democratic party), Jefferson and

Burr. In 1800 the Republican caucus

nominated Jefferson again; but Adams ran

without a nomination. The last nominations

by Congressional cancuses were in 1824.

The candidates in 1828 were nominated by

the State Legislatures. On September 26-

28, 1831, the Anti-Masonic party held the

first National Convention in Baltimore, and

nominated Wirt and Ellmaker; the National

Republicans (later Whigs) held their con-

vention, also in Baltimore, December 12-14,

1831; and the Democrats theirs, in Balti-

more, May 22, 1832. The election was not

until November, 1832. Since then-tor 60

years, that is-we have had national con-

Will you tell me how to use a pocket com-pass? A. P. D.

Generally a pocket compass is needed

only in the woods, but there are times when

his city. Nowadays the freedom of a city

is a purely honorary distinction conferred

King and Emperor?

ventions of the various parties.

Vice President.

THE COST OF MINING LEAD.

Is Less Than That of Silver or Gold an Therefore More Profitable,

It is a common remark that a gold or sil-

ver mine is generally the least productive

to the workers, and a lead mine the most

peculating in obtaining the precious metals

from the bowels of the earth becomes the

more apparent. The quantity of silver and other metals extracted from lead adds materially to the profits of lead mines, and makes adventurers more willing to embark capital in these un-

more willing to embark capital in these un-dertakings. Antimony, tin, zinc, and other metals are found with lead, as much as eight to ten ounces of silver per ton being ex-tracted. The annual produce of silver from this source in Great Britain, says Spare Mo-ments, is about 320,000 ounces-large sum

are also realized from the other by-product

-so that lead mining realizes numerous profits in the course of production, amount ing on the whole to fully one-third more

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This seems singular at first glance; but This year is a leap year; 1896 will be one: but I am told that 1800 will not; will you ex-plain why it won't be? Puzzien. when all the circumstances are considered. the saying proves true, and the hazard in Before Julius Cæsar the Roman calendar

was composed of 12 months of 30 days each, with additional days to make up the number in which the earth and the sun were in the same position attained the same relative positions added by the College of Augus. In Cæssar's time the Augurs had been careless, and in B. C. 46 the year was 65 days ahead of time. Cæsar found that the year was a few minutes short of 365½ days long, but called it just exactly 365½ days long, and, laying aside the quarter day, called it 365 days, with an extra day every fourth year. But Cæsar, in assuming the year to be 365½ days, had added each year between 10 and 11 minutes, which he hasi to borrow from the future. In A. D. 1581 Pope Gregory XIII. calculated that under Cæsar's system ten days had been borrowed. To pay back those ten days he ordered that October 5, 1582, should be called the 15th; that made matters even number in which the earth and the sun SOME ODD FACTS AND FANCIES were no candidates for the Presidency and ond election, but the electors met and cast their ballots for the persons whom they considered best. Each elector voted for

called the 15th; that made matters even est number of votes, so long as it was a maagain. But to prevent any such accumula-tion of borrowed days, he ordered that in the future centurial years, unless they were multiples of 400, should not be leap years. The reason is this: Each year we borrow 10 minutes and 11 seconds from the future; we pay it back, and more, too, by giving up three leap years every 300 years; and then get back what we have overpaid by having the candidates, the Federalists putting up Adams and Pinckney, the Republican party leap year on the fourth 100 years. This arrangement is about as exact as could be made; there is a very slight error which can

be corrected by our giving up a leap year in about 2,100 years from now. So 1900 will not be a leap year, but 2000 will be.

What are "privileged questions" in Con-A privileged question is one that has

Sarsaparilla right of way over other questions. Motions to adjourn, motions relating to the rights of members, motions for the orders of the day, and reports from certain committees-as the Committee on Rules, the Committee on Appropriations—are privileged motions in Congress. A question of privilege relating to the personal rights of a member of Con-as such member. Generally it relates to some newspaper comment upon some act or word of some member; and the member Has Cured Others complains that his constitutional right to be free from outside criticism for anythin said or done in the House has been infringed.

The Generals in our army wear silver stars on their shoulder straps, the Colonels wear silver eagles, the Lieutenant Colonels silver leaves and the Majors gold leaves. Why does the officer of lower rank wear gold, while his superiors wear silver? MILITTA. miles away to the southwest, the interven-

It is a sort of bi-metallic reason; the United States decided that silver was as F14 PENN AVENUE, PIFTSBURG, P As old residents know and back flee Mitsburg papers prove, is the oldest est ished and most prominent physician in ity devoting special attention to all care good as gold, and that there was no reason why the superior officer should assume golden insignia and the junior silver; so they give the silver to the officer of higher rank. efty, devoting special attention to all curonis disea.es. NO FEE UNTIL CURED ponsible NERVOUS and mental dis-persons NERVOUS eases, physical de-

object, put up your compass and make for the object. When you get there place your compass as before, choose another object and go to it, just as before. If you have to go around a pond, it will be best to leave I have been reading Thackoray's poems, and have met that one in which he cele-brates "boullabaisse;" will you tell me what that famous dish is, and if it can be got now-adays? DUNN. cav, nervous debility, lack of elerge, ambi-tion and hope, impaired memory, disordered sight, self distrust, bashfulness, dizziness sleeplessness, pimples, eruptions, imporee ished blood, falling powers, organic was constitution constitution constitution your track at a right angle, counting the steps or the time necessary to clear the ob-stacle, and then, having got beyond the Did you ever eat chowder? Bouillabaisse ness, dyspensia, constipation, consumption unfitting the person for ousiness, society and marriage, permanently, salely and privately

s chowder, with toast instead of pilot bread pond, count your steps or your time back to the original line of march. Always leave your original line at a right angle and rein the soup. Has chowder-fish chowder, clam chowder-never been sung by a poet?

I have heard that the elections for Presi-dent used to last for more than one day. Is that so? W. H. H. D. In New York State, previous to 1842, the elections lasted three days. The act of April 5, 1842, did away with these long turn to it at a right angle; then you will run little if any risk of losing your road. What is meant by conferring the freedom a city upon a person? ABTHUE F. H.

elections lasted three days. The act of April 5, 1842, did away with these long elections. William Henry Harrison, whose initials you bear, was the last President elected under the old law. What was the first metal coined into money in the United States? Bt-Mxr. Hold isobaryos, inflammation and other paintin discharyos, inflammation and other paintin symptoms receive searching treament, promptrelie and real cures. Dromptrelie and real cures. Dromptrelie and real cures. The Whittler's life-long extensive experi-ence insures -cientific and reliable treat-tion free. Patients at a distance as carofully treated asif nore. Office nours, 5 a. M. OB WHITTIER, did Fenn avenue, Pitteburg, Pa

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A REVIEW OF SPORTS. that would just give the best in England all the rowing they wanted. The great idea is if we want to have the champion crew in this continent we will have to take time and General Features of the Namake one; and if we take time I have great cohfidence in our being able to make wintional and Local Baseners

Although it is only early summer yet there is a little activity commencing among the football players preparatory for next fall. I have had several letters on the subject already and the writers all want to know whether or not there is to be a league in this section next season. While nothing has been definitely settled about the matter yet, it is almost certain that a league will be

last year was not much of a success, but the experiences of that effort will serve to make another one more successful. There is no reason why a football league here should not be highly successful if everybody con-nected with it wants to act honestly and fairly. The prospects for football playing were never better in this city, and I anticipate that there will be more of it here this fall than there has ever been. This being so, it might be well for those interested in

NEXT SATURDAT'S LOCAL FIELD DAY

ball Situation.

ERIE SCULLING REGATTA.

Prospects of Local Association and

Rugby Football Playing.

THE DIXON AND JOHNSON BATTLE.

John L. Sullivan's Interesting Threat to

Demolish the Man in the Moon.

As far as baseball has been concerned during the week just ended, matters have been very quiet. Generally speaking, there has been nothing outside the routine. The contest for the "first pennant" is getting close, and that has served to keep cranks talking and guessing. The Philadelphia team are making things lively, and it would be quite a surprise, if, after all, the Bostons are downed at the finish. More unlikely things have happened.

There has been quite a little stir in local baseball circles over one or two matters Vice President Kerr has sold out of the club bag and baggage and retired from baseball except being a spectator at the games. Mr. Kerr was a fine and genial gentleman and a very worthy member of the club's directory. I dare say that we'll all regret his retirement. If everything goes right it seems sure now that Manager Buckenberger will be President of the club

The team are beginning to look better than they have done during the season. I am sure that on paper they look a powerful team, and if they could only get down to the work that they are capable of doing they would soon be far up the list. Captain Burns has strong hopes that Ehret from now on will be a winner, and if it turns out to be the case, and Baldwin and Terry do well, the team will be as good as anybody's

The Genins affair has caused considerable While the player is not worth all the noise the stubbornness of the Western League in holding him ought to be cenhe won't. sured. Mr. Brush apparently has been playing a very discreditable part, and his Readers of this paper will know that I have a very great respect for Johnson's abilities as a pugilist. He has proven him-self to be a fighter of the best kind, but I do not think he has ever met such a good feather-weight as George Dixon, and we have not very much to guide us as to the comparative merits of the two men. Some time ago Dixon defeated what was then sup-need to be the best feather-weight in Eng-

League colleagues who love fair play ought to call him down. Professional Scallers and Erie Regatta.

During the week we have had one more proof of the decline of professional sculling in the United States. There has been a professional regatta at Erie, and the facts and features of it only remind us of the great difference between such a regatta now and one a few years ago. There was a time, and not very long ago, when a regatta in which all of our best scullers took part was considered a very great sporting event, and an event which was given very great prominence in the newspapers all over the coun-try. There were also lots of people in those days who were always ready to subscribe toward purses for a regatta, and as a result there were purses sufficiently big to attract

son was?

John L. Sullivan's Latest Challenge.

good hearted Sullivan has many tremendous

With Mitchell out of the way, there is no-

generation at least.

all classes of scullers. But we don't find that enthusiasm and popular interest in the sport now; in fact, it was difficult to find anybody at all interested in the regarda at Erie. All the best scullers in the land were there. Of course, it is quite easy to know how this change of public feeling has been brought about, Everyone of the four scullers who rowed at Frie I won't say contested has de share toward ruining the popularity of sculling. Hippodrome races and dishonest contests were for a long time so much the rule among our scullers that the public kicked this sport from their presence and would have no more of it. If anybody can show me how the recent means that he probably will not be induced to do more than his share of leading. If he is as free in leading off as many of the little regatta at Erie was anything more than a podrome I will feel extremely thank. The affair was promoted by the rowchaps are he may get the worst of it be ers, and just what each man would and cause Johnson is ever ready to take advan-tage of anything, and if it were to come to a could do in the way of rowing was a foregone conclusion. Teemer did not feel in-clined to come to this section of the country, and at the last moment Gaudaur was engaged to fill his place regardless of built young fellow and ought to be able to keep out of harm's way to a very great ex-tent. It is because of this that I think he will have a shade or two the best of the whether or not Gaudanr could row 20 yards The truth is the published reor 20 miles. ports from Erie told us that Gaudaur had cen engaged simply to make the requisite number up for the double scull race. That is what I call hippodroming pure and simple, and the foul on the part of Hanlan to think that Johnson will hardly make a and Gaudaur in the single scull race, doubless was part of the arranged pro-gramme to cover up the defeats of lack of waiting fight of it as he generally wants to have things ended as soon as possible. He will be in excellent condition and so will condition of the two men. Dixon, if reports are true. If the contest is brought off successfully I am not opposed to regattas. I am an ardent admirer of them but only when they are of the genuine class. Mark, I don't it will go a long way toward establishing the fame of the Coney Island Athcontend that there was anything dishonest about the Eric regatta, what I do argue is etic Club. That is a new organization and it is aspiring for first honors in the way of that it was nothing but business and that an athletic club. This would indicate that the club officials will see that everything is hippodroming business that has helped to ruin scuiling. More than ever lairly and honestly carried out. I am satisfied that we must have a new set of scullers before we can hope to see the sport proper again.

Atlantic is the best crew. If a race like that could be arranged and ample time given for training, &c., depend upon it there could an American crew be gotten together that be the big enough. But I amount seems quite big enough. But I would hardly have expected that a purse would have been fortheoming for Choynski and Godirey. If the former is at all as good as he is represented he is sure to de-feat the colored man. True, Godfrey deteated Ed Smith and Choynski did not, but when Smith was in front of Godfrey he, Smith, was no more fit to fight than to fly.

Foot Ball Prospects for Next Season. If Choyaski and Kilrain were going to fight there would be odds on Choyaski, and Kilrain defeated Godfrey. Charley Mitchell is extremely anxious to Charley Mitchell is extremely anxious to find a man to defeat Ted Pritchard, and be-cause of that anxiety he (Mitchell) has taken Hall in hands to train him to fight Pritchard. When these two men fight we will certainly have Hall tested. It seems to me very singular that Parson Davies, who always likes a "good thing," should give up Hall without any objection at all and keep Choynski. It would seem that if Jim Hall was awrithing like the wonder he

organized. It is quite true that the local league of Jim Hall was anything like the wonder he is given out to be Davies would stick to

him for this year at least. Everything is going on all right for the Goddard and McAuliffe contest, which takes place this week according to pro-gramme. There is not much interest in the affair, but if Goddard wins he is sure to challenge anybody in this country. An Opinion About Frank P. Slavin.

the sport to get together as soon as possible A correspondent writes me an opinion and have matters talked over. It is none about F. P. Slavin and his recent contest with Peter Jackson. I know this correspondtoo soon to make dates, and that means it is none too soon to start and get teams toent well, and he is one of the best in-formed men in the country to-day on mat-What I have just said refers particularly to Association football, but there promises to be the same amount and probably more activity among the Rugby rule players. It ters pugilistic. Without saying anything pro or con about this opinion I give it because it is sure to be interesting: "FRIEND PRINGLE-I notice that F. P. is safe to say that the rivalry among the local teams this fall will be stronger and

"FRIEND PRINGLE—I notice that F. P. Slavin is going back to Australia. An-other report says he is 'booking' on the English horse races. In either case it means that he has money. If he returns to Aus-tralia then there will be no doubt in my mind about his losing his late fight pur-posely. I have studied all the features of that encounter and I am fully convinged keener than ever. That is just what we want and that is just what will make the game more successful this year than it has ever been. There are some good players bere, and I cannot see why we should not be able to make up a special team that would give the best team that would come here a good argument for supremacy. But the officials of our local football orthat encounter and I am fully convinced that the aflair was 'fixed' for

lose. By his arranging to do that he would ganizations should at once secure dates with some of the leading teams. Most certainly make sure of getting \$20,000 and so would Davies and Jackson each get about the there will be enthusiasm enough here this fall to make any kind of an engagement a profitable one if the teams are good. With favorable weather there will be lots of money in football this fall, and the clubs same. Slavin never made such a poor enors in his life. He made a much better stand In his life. He made a much better stand against Jackson venrs ago when he (Slavin) was just learning to box. Jackson had considerable trouble in defeating Joe McAuliffe when the latter was not much more than a novice. Slavin defeated McAuliffe in three or four that secure engagements with the best teams will make the best successes.

Johnson and Dixon Battle To-Morrow. minutes atter McAuliffe had been trained To-morrow night is the date for the great feather-weight contest between Fred Johnand taught for a year by the best men in the world. Godfrey kept Jackson very busy for a long time and Kilrain defeated Godfrey. Slavin knocked Kilrain out in son, of England, and George Dixon, of this country. The battle takes place at the Coney Island Athletic Club, and is one of short order. Despite all this Slavin makes no show against Jackson. If he had beaten the most important that has taken place among the "little 'uns" for a long time. It is one of the most difficult to come to any Jackson he could only have gotten \$5,000 or conclusion about that I have had to deal with. There are some excellent judges of pugilism who think that Dixon will win, and there are just as good judges think that \$6,000 and he was never sure of deleating Jackson. By making a certainty of it and agreeing to lose, his fellow countryman, Jackson, Parson Davies and himself could each get about \$20,000, as the odds were Readers of this paper will know that I heavily on Slavin. The latter certainly would not return to Australia at present i he had no money, nor could he follow the Eaglish races as a bookmaker."

Slavin to

Next Saturday's Big Athletic Sports.

Next Saturday promises to be a great day for field sports in and about Pittsburg. The Three A's will hold their summer athletic meeting on that day, and many of the best posed to be the best feather-weight in Eng-land, viz., Nune Wallace. But Wallace was not as good a man as Johnson. That is beyond dispute, and, despite the many state-ments to the contrary. I am certain that Dixon defeated Wallace without much trachle. The question then is how much amateur athletes in the country are ex-pected here. Let me say that there is no the Vice Presidents who had become Presi-dents, and as much as said that he would sport more enjoyable on a fine day than athletic contests in the open air when the competitors are of the first rate class. We are promised this kind of talent on Satur-day at the Three A's Park, lately Recreatrouble. The question then is how much better than Wallace was Dixon than Johnexperience the other night which he and the late Senator Beck had about 10 years ago at the Capitol here. They were taking together outside of one of the committee rooms of the Senate when a stout-looking tion Park.

It is to be hoped that the sports will be After fully considering the matter I have well patronized, and if they are it will give come to the conclusion that as far as com-parisons can be made Dixon has the best of encouragement to future ventures of the kind. The Three A's are certainly making it. I allow for Johnson improving, of course. I am aware that it is very dangerit. I allow the strictly under course. I am aware that it is very danger-ous to come to any conclusion on the mat-ter, as I feel satisfied that Johnson is a ratiling good man. So much so that while some flyers from Detroit, including the famous Owens. The latter is certainly a course. I am aware that it is very danger-Saturday's contests will be strictly under A. A. U. rules. Doubtless there will be some flyers from Detroit, including the famous Owens. The latter is certainly a content of the strictly under A. A. U. rules. Doubtless there will be some flyers from Detroit, including the famous Owens. The latter is certainly a a fine place of this park, and have made an ratiling good man. So much so that while I anticipate his defeat I would not bet a cent of odds on Dixon. While I prefer the chances of the latter I am frank enough to wonderful sprinter, and has 100-yard mark below even time. We have some good say that his defeat will not surprise me. A friend of mine returned frow New York the some very fast time to be made on the new some very fast time to be made on the new cinder path, and for once we will get a corother day and spoke -very highly of both contestants. He told me that he wanted to bet a few dollars on Dixon, but if there was rect idea as to the quality of our local speed. The sports certainly ought to be no Johnson money here he would take 2 to 1 and back the Englishman. This is just well patronized. PRINGLE. how I feel on the matter. Dixon is quite a tricky boxer, and that

Harrison Refused to Get Into the White House Via the Cemetery.

MR. EDISON AND HIS PHONOGRAPH.

Story About the Two Arabian Steeds the Sultan Gave to Grant.

CLEVELAND AND WILLIAM L. SCOTT

CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH.1 WASHINGTON, June 25 .- Senator In calls intends to keep himself in the political swim. He will take part in the coming campaign and will deliver speeches in many of the doubtful States. He does not like being out of political life, and the eighteen years which he spent in the Senate have spoiled him for the quiet of Atchison or for rushing over the country as a lecturer. If the Republicans carry the election, he will in all probability receive one of the best of the foreign missions or will have a high osition in Washington. He is a very roud man and he would not take anything elow a Cabinet office, and this would have o be offered him on a silver platter.

His remark about the death of Plumb and the election of Perkins in which he said that "he did not want to ride into Congress in a hearse," called out a new story concerning President Harrison the other day The incident occurred about two months before the nominating convention of 1888 Harrison was talked of as a possible President and there was some discussion as to the advisability of making him the Vice

Mrs. Stanton's Term of Giants.

Presidental candidate, whereupon one of

his Indianapolis friends sanded him on

"Senator Harrison, I think you stand a

"I don't know about that," replied the

future President, "but I do know that I

don't want the second place on the ticket.

I would like to go to the White House, but

I don't want to go into it through the ceme-

tery." Senator Harrison then discussed

not have the Vice Presidental place on the

man with a round, boyish head covered with

iron-gray hair came up to them and begging their pardon told them that he had a curi-

ous little instrument under his arm which

he would like to show them. Upon this he produced a bundle and, the Senators con-

senting, the three men went into the com-

Senator Blackburn was telling a curious

ticket.

mittee room.

the subject. Said the Indianapolis man:

That I reposed International Amateur Rec

A week or so ago there was strong hope of an amateur eight-bared race, between the hest crew of the English Universities and the winner of the Yale and Harvard race; but these hopes have vanished considerably. Yale may take up the callenge of the Britsbers but it is not likely that Harvard will. During a recent conversation on the matter the well-known Captain Cook said: "I suppose it is only the same old story that turns up every year before the race. Personally, I am not very enthusiastic on the subject. The crew that Yale or Harvard would meet in England would not be the regular crew of the last Oxford-Cambridge race, but a picked crew from all over England.

"They do not row there as we do here. In England, when men get out of college, they remain in the boat clubs and keep on rowing for their health. We can't afford to do that in this country, for we do not have time. It would be an eight made up from this kind of men that would be put up against the American crew, and conse quently not a representative crew of the ate race. I understand that Harvard is isiastic over the idea, evidently thinking that she has a fast crew.

"As for . Yale, she has her hands full at present and had better keep her thoughts at

There are two very important statements in the Captain's talk. One is that the English crews are better than those in America and the other is that the British will put a picked crew against the winner of the Harvard and Yale race. When Cook says or intimates that the English amateur crews are better than those in the United States I fully endorse his opinion and that is one of the few things in amateur sport wherein the Britishers have a little the best of it. It is quite true that the best of English rowers continue to row long after they have taken part in the Oxford and Cambridge, or any other big special event just the same as Psotta and other American rowers do. We find the same custom among the amateur bievelists of the United States and that is one reason why they are so far ahead of

the amateur bievelists of other countries. But what I would like to ask is: Why can't we have a race between the best eight amateur rowers in the United States and the best eight in England? Let both crews be picked and in my estimation that would be a much more important race than a race between the best crews of any two partic-ular universities. What the majority of us can defeat Choynski. would like to know is on what side of the

THE FRANCO-PRUSSIAN WAR. How the Ead Came With the Last

Fired by the French. Among the stories of Herr Forckenbeck, the late chief burgomaster of Berlin, which are being revived is this:

question of inside fighting I should fancy Johnson. But Dixon is an exceptionally As President of the North German Reichs tag, he was sent in 1871, with Von Stauffenberg, to Versailles, to congratulate the Prussian King upon his election as Emperor. Bismarck, who had just concluded Englishman. Like the first contest bethe terms of peace with France, invited tween Dixon and McCarthy it may be a long one, or it may be as short as the contest be-tween Dixon and Wallace. I am inclined them to supper, and at that repast the Kaiser's chief counsellor said: "This night, at 12 o'clock, the last shots

will be exchanged between our troops and the French, and I have conceded to the French the honor of the last shots."

Forckenbeck and his colleague left their host before miduight, drew out their walches, stood underneath a lantern of the Hotel du Reservoir, and waited. First there was a cannon-shot from the German troops; then a solemn stillness. Then followed the last reply from Mont Valerien. The tower-clock at Versailles struck 12; the French war had ended.

Parents Convicted for Conspiracy. Alter all, there is something very interest-

ing about John L. Sullivan. John is no A singular boycott was recently inforced isposed to stop at anything when he feels against a local pedagogue at Bronkow, in inclined to demonstrate his prowess as a fighter of men. It has long been an estab-Germany, by the parents of his pupils. They objected to the schoolmaster's extreme no-tions of discipline and agreed among themlished fact among the followers of John L. that nobody on earth was capable of standelves to keep their children at home. So ing in front of the terror from Boston. He the bell rang for two days without the ap-pearance of a scholar at the schoolroom, is evidently of that opinion himself, and according to newspaper reports he has threat-ened the man in the moon. John L. deuntil at last the magistrate summoned the parents before him for conspiracy and the clared to the Boston people that if he could only get "one swipe at that fellow in the choolmaster won the day. there would be no moon left. The

DE INCH-WUM AN' DE HOPPAH-GRASS

threats and challenges in his time, but his IWRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH. esire to knock our good old moon into ob-Dey bofe wuz gwine along de road One lubly summah day, De hoppah he gib gret big hops, Au' git long las' dat way, But Mistah Inch-wum go right slow, livion with his fist eclipses all. Lovers. poets and others who take delight in moor light rambles ought at once to petition John to allow the moon to remain for another He lay down flat, den hun Dat now he go. Of course, Sullivan was a little "moon

De hoppah soon kotch up wid min. An' pass de time ob day: He say, "Law, Inch-wum, whar yer gwine, A-pokin' long dis way?" "I'se gwine ter Heabn," de inch-wum 'low, "Do' long de road, I'se made my vow Git dar somehow." struck" when he was talking so extravagantly, and that fact suggests to us the question: Does he intend to get into good condition to meet Corbett? Just as true as we live he will need to be in good condition for that affair; not because of the punishment that Corbett can give, but because o

ment that Corbett can give, but because of the lack of punishment of Sullivan's efforts. We mustn't shut our eyes to the fact that Corbett is not leaving a stone unturned in the way of getting himself into condition, and if Sullivan does not enter the ring with excellent wind and stomach he will be

So long ter yu !" beaten. Sullivan, in a glove contest, is just as liable to lose his wind as anybody else. De inch-wum ain' say nuttin' tall. But des keep on he naf; An' one fine day de hoppah cum A-traipsin' back. He in and if he should have to do that in front o Corbett or in trying to hit Corbett, John's fate will be defeat. This ought to impress the minds of both Sullivan and his backers. "Ole step-an -ieten, statek," he say, I'se done bin dar an' back," he say, "Sence tudder day."

Goveral Affairs Among Pugliists. Joe Chovnski is unable to find a man in Den inch-wunn raar he head an' say, "Wat fer yu done cum back? Why fo' yu leabe dat neab'nly home Ter trabbel dis hand track ?" "Ho! 'peahis lak heab'n au' me doan' suit, Set still all day git ta'od ter boot. England who will attempt to stand four rounds against him. Isn't this a sad commentary on the status of the manly art in England compared to what it used to be? Is it not enough to make Sayers, Heard and . An' den I scoot." others turn over in their graves? Surely

"Mon," sez de inch-wum," dat de way "Wid libeiy, res'less men, Git ebrywhar en gret big jumps, Den wan' git baog sgen. Ef yer inched 'long en my slow way, Yu biu right giad ter stop an' stay Twel Jedgmen' Day," things pugilistic have changed in the home of pugilism. Of course I think that Choynski can defeat the best man in Eng-land at present except it be Charley Mitchell, providing the latter's hands were right, which they will probably never be. The truth is that Mitchell is quite satisfied with making a draw with Sallivan in an

Now chile, ver heah me tell vu so. open air fight, and Mitchell is of opinion that nobody else will be able to do that. Hit des jak dat, fer fac', When folks gits 'ligion all ter onet, Dey boun' cum siddin' back; But dem wat bit by bit inch 'long, Dey boun' ter jine dat neab'nly trong Wid praise an' song body in England, including Pritchard, who Parson Davies wants a purse to be offered ANNE VIRGINIA CULBERTSON.

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How Edison Showed His Phonograph. When the wrapper was taken off the m chine looked like a miniature corn-sheller. and the man asked Senator Beck to talk into it and to say anything he pleased. Beck thereupon, in stentorian tones, recited one of Robert Burns' short dialect poems. The boyish-looking man turned the handle and Beck's voice was ground out in the same tones that he had used. The Senators were astounded. Neither had ever heard or thought of the possibility of the phono-graph, and Senator Beck accused the man being a ventriloquist. He wanted to try it again and insisted that the man should go off into a distant corner of the room as

did so. "I will do better than that," replied Mr. Edison, for he was the man. "I will go out-side of the door and you can talk into the machine and work it to suit yourself."

This he did, and the two Kentucky Senators found the machine to work equally well during his absence. This was, I am told, the first time that the phonograph was ever shown in Washington. Now you find nickle-in-the-slot machines in every block which retail through this instrument the popular music of the day, and many statesmen dictate their letters into phonographs and have them transcribed by typewriters.

Har Ison Loves a Fine Horse.

The summer days are filling the country drives about Washington with spanking teams, and among the curious sights I have seen on the road this week was Postmaster General Wanamaker and the President in a piano box buggy behind the Postmaster General's fast Kentucky roadster. On the President's knee was little Baby McKee, and Baby McKee was driving the buckle. It formed a pretty sight, and the President and the Postmaster General seemed more interested in young McKee than in any-thing else. The President himselt has fairly good horses and is fond of driving. I see him now and then with the reins in his hands, and I saw him out yesterday in a landau with Russell sitting on the front seat beside the driver and the President and Mrs. Dimmick riding behind. His favorite drives seem to be to the Soldiers' Home, and he often drives out on the hill and takes a spin along the Columbia road, hardly looking to the right or left as he goes, but generally tipping his hat when he is spoken to. He seldom rides on horseback and he seems to prefer the buggy to the saddle. President Cleveland rode a little in the saddle. He was too heavy to cut a ood figure on horseback and he knew it. Senator Stanford, though he has some of the best horses in Washington, never rides the best horses in Washington, hever rides them. He prefers to drive and his two black coach horses, "Major and George," are the biggest of the kind that have ever been in Washington. These horses are over 17 hands high and they weigh together just about a ton and a half. They are high steppers and you could not buy them for \$25,000 apiece. They are the property of Mrs. Staniord—at least she drives them in her big landau and she has a coachman and a

foatman who are dressed in black and who have black rosettes on their high silk hats and the whole is a kind of a symphony in black. Stanferd and Rothschild Contrasted.

Senator Stanford's stable is one of the finest in the city, but it is not extavagant in the way of furnishing. With all his wealth, Senator Standford wastes no money tool-ishly and the contrast between this stable and that of the rich Baron Rothschild of Vienna, is striking. I doubt whether Rothschild is worth any more than Senator Stanford, but he has one box stall which cost \$12,000 to build and his stable has marble floors and here and there his walls are set in costly tiles, painted by distinguished artists, and it has rings, chains and drain traps of silver. Its walls are frescoed with hunting scenes and it cost, all told, in the neighborhood of \$100,000.

Senator Stanford's stable did not cost one-fourth this amount. It is a plain brick building, and though it is perfectly ven-tilated and heated and has nice quarters and bathrooms for the men, it is not made of costly woods nor is it in any way extrava-

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I heard a good story about William L. Scott and President Cleveland from an Erie man the other day. The incident occurred while Scott was in Congress and Cleveland was President. Scott had, you know, given something like \$50,000 to the campaign fund during the Cleveland campaign, and he had shown himself an able thinker on financial questions during his stay in the House. He and the President were very intimate, and Grover Cleveland thoroughly admired him, and he wanted to have him in his Cabinet. So when Dan Manning died he offered Mr. Scott the Secre aryship of the Treasury. He was surprised to find that Mr. Scott would not accept it, and

upon his asking the reason, Mr. Scott re-plied: "President Cleveland, I appreciate the fact that you have offered me what the world considers a very high honor. But the Secretary of the Treasury is merely the clerk of the President, and I have too many clerks of my own to be a clerk for any man. In fact, it takes all I can do to any man. In fact, it takes all I can do to watch my own cierks, let alone the doing of clerical duty for the Government. I'm much obliged to you for the compliment, but I can't accept the position." but I can't accept the position." The fact that Scott left in his will a provision that his successor in his business should receive \$50,000 a year shows that he was rather a high-priced man to whom to give one of Uncle Sam's \$8,000 jobs. He began life as a page in Congress and there met a Congressman named Reid, who took

a fancy to him and took him home with him to Erie. Young Scott showed such business ability that he soon began to get rich. FRANK G. CARPENTER.

NERVOUS PROSTRATION.

Prevalent Malady During Hot Weather Nervous prostration (neurasthenia), spinal anæmis, nervousness, weakness and nervous lebility are different names given to an affection of the nervous system which is becoming more and more common. Hard work, close competition, business uncer-tainties, little sleep, high living, the use of narcotics, all tend alike to injure the nervous system. Symptoms-A foreboding of calamity, a

sense of something awful about to happen, twitching of the eyelids, moving, brown specs before the eyes, and metalic ringing in the ears, sour stomach after eating, with erotic belching of gas, a feeling of great weight in the stomach, morbid fear of leav-ing home, a constant desire to talk of their symptoms, chills and hot flasnes, hands and teet usually cold and clammy, general ten-dency to dryness and coldness of the skin of the whole body, neuralgic headache, nerv-ous chills, hysteria, sinking and faint spells, distressing palpitation of the heart, defective evesight, total inability to read, write or do any business, urine abundant without color, loss of flesh, sleeplessness and erotic excitability. Some of these symptoms are present in every case. Treatment.—There should be an entire

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on some distinguished person. The foreign cities, especially Great Britain, where they keep up old customs more than we do, be-stow the freedom even now; some of our own cities used to bestow it, but of late years, so far as we recollect, it has not been named Damaskin has invented an ice locomotive which he expects to carry him to the estowed formally by any American town. North Pole. He has given an order for the construction of a large locomotive after his What is the difference between the titles King and Emperor? M. L. B. pattern, and is now calling for volunteers to

The locomotive, says the St. Louis Re-public, is to have a unique arrangement by which it lays and takes up the rails as it runs. Short spikes on the underside of the rails will make the latter temporarily fast in the ice. The locomotive will be operated by steam, and at the same time will throw out enough heat to keep the travelers from accompany him to the Arctic Ocean. Speaking generally, the sovereign of a single country is a king, the sovereign of two or more countries united under one crown is an emperor. Thus we have the King of Spain, the King of Greece, the King of Sweden, the King of Prussia and the Emperor of Germany, which is comsuffering from cold. One cab, attached to the locomotive, is to carry the provisions the locomotive, is to carry the provisions for the exploring party. The locomotive and cab will be conveyed in parts to Spitz-bergen, Prof. Damaskin says, and will there be put together. It will then be run for the North Pole at the rate of 30 miles an hour. As Spitzbergen is about 600 miles from the North Pole, Prof. Damaskin expects to mark big destinction in 20 hears. He el Great Britain is an exception to the general rule, for though it is composed of four king-doms and a principality, it is governed by a King or Queen; but this is because the title Emperor is not English. By the way, the four kingdoms are those of England, Scot-land, Ireland and Man; and the principality reach his destination in 20 hours. He allows eight hours for his observations and 20 is that of Wales.

hours for returning, so that the whole trip. Spitzbergen and return, will be made in just What is the population of the city of Lon-MISNOMER. two days. Prof. Damaskin hopes to be ready to start on the journey late in September or There are six different answers to this

simple question. First, there is the real early in October. city of London. The city, as old English people call it, covers 668 acres, rather more than a square mile, and has a population of 37,694. In 1881, its population was 50,652; and it is the only part of London that has lost in population. Within the limits cov-ered by the Registrar-General in making up his tables of mortality lie 74,692 acres, whereon dwell 4,211,056 persons. The county of London and the London school district each covers 75,462 acres, with a population of 4,231,431 souls. The Metro-politan police district, which is a circle with a diameter of 30 miles, covers 440,891 acres, with a population of 5,595,638; and the Metropolitan and city police districts, taken barricade in the Faubourg St. Antoine, where Baudin was killed. Banished by an tagether, cover 441,559 acres, with 5,633,-559 inhabitants. mperial decree, he only returned to France

We read about "borse, foot and dragoons:" what is the difference between horse and dragoons? A. M. S.

The "horse" were mounted soldies trained to act only on horseback; the dragoons were soldiers trained to act either on foot or on horseback. The cavalry carried long swords that an infantryman or footsoldier would find in the way; the dragoon's sword was a happy medium in length. Our First and Second Regiments of cavalry were originally called dragoons; in fact, it was only by the reorganization at the outbreak of the war that the name was changed. General Lord Wolseley says that all of our American cavalry regiments are really dragoon regiments, because the men are trained to fight on foot as well as on horseback.

When was Charley Ross kidnaped; and has he been found? O'DELL. Charlie Ross was kidnaped July 1, 1874. At intervals since then various persons have

been found who were said to be the missing boy; but he has never been recovered. It is supposed that he is dead.

In almost every English novel the serv-nnt+ of the house, at some period of the story, are put on "board wages;" what are "board wages?" R. N. T.

Wages just sufficient to allow them to get their meals. The family is always away, you will notice, when the servants are put on board wages; and the idea is that as the servants are doing no work, they shouldn't

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