In the World of Outdoor Sports.

Current Gossip of Baseball, Cycling, the Track 1867, and in his youth was a railroad brakeman. His home is in Altoona, And Various Other Popular Pastimes.

home club wins; How everybody laughs and chaffs, and absolute prediction can be made. And the umpire is forgiven for all his easing is the playing when the home

club wins. The boy upon the bleachers is

as happy as a king;
The maiden in the grand stand
is as sweet as anything;
The crank is all in clover and

the butcher is on top; He sells a peck of peanuts and a half a gross of pop.

The fellow from the country wid-ens out his mouth and eyes, The manager is smiling and asighing happy sighs, The mascot is a-bounding 'round

as if he were on pins, So pleasing is the playing when the

Home Club

But what a sad sensation when the home The umpire is a villain and a dastard chump of chumps, We're on the road to ruin, and we're deep-

ly in the dumps,

For Oh, the sad sensation when the home club slumps. The manager and mascot are a

very worthy pair;
One has a yellow liver and the other yellow hair.
Our captain is a quitter and the other is a thief,

There's not a word in Webster which can give a man relief. Won't some one give the gawks a

box of ginger wine and beef?
No. not the wine; they've had
too much already—my belief.
Why don't they let the blockheads go and sign a nine of For, Oh, the sad sensation when

→J. Edmund V. Cooke, in N. Y. Sun.

The Scrantons have had two weeks of base ball at home, and will begin game placed the club in second position, which, by reason of their having played fewer games than any of the leaders, seems to give them a firm hold on the position. The Scrantons have not yet played with Springfield, Providence or Wilkes-Barre, the three leaders, and consequently no accurate comparison with those clubs can be made. However, we have met consecutively Syracuse, Rochester, Buffalo and Toronto, and the result does not indicate that any of these four clubs gave us any more trouble than they did to Spring-field, Providence and Wilkes-Barre. Still, an exception may be made of Buffalo, which lost and won a game here; but, on the other hand Buffalo is touted as being one of the heaviest hitting teams in the league and in the games with Springfield and Providence made a larger total of hits than either of those two clubs. So it appears that enough games have been played to war rant at least a general comparative guess of what the Scranton team is capable of doing.

Manager Barnie will make no definite his players. The base ball reporters of Scranton have asked the veteran manager in vain to discuss either the outfield, the infield or the pitchers, but the only satisfaction obtained was to be told that he was satisfied he had a good team or some other such commonplace remark which might be interpreted as much or little. But notwithstanding the wily manager's disposition to remain silent it can be plainly seen that he is satisfied. For several reasons it gives him considerable pleasure to see his club in such a commanding position In the first place, the report had gone abroad, especially out east, that the mining camp of Scranton would be represented by a mongrel team-that is, a few good players and many of no ability; in the second place Paul Radford that whom there is no better all-around player in the league, was put in at short without any preliminary playing whatever, and was obliged to make himself popular under the most adverse conditions possible. So Mr. Barnie ras happy because the mongrel (?) club of the mining camp of Scranton had repudiated the small talk of the east; and again he and the public are happy because the team is playing with a strong heart and all together.

There are only two reasons for apprehension. Houle was taken out of right field beginning Wednesday, not because he hasn't ability, but because he lacked confidence. He was supplanted by Winkleman, a youngster who was valuable as a semi-professional but who had not had the benefit of a strict- ply house. ly professional training. In Thursday's game with Toronto he made two great running catches which an experienced fielder might have been pardoned for missing. His slight weakness at bat was plainly due to nervousness. playing he has firmly established him-

EN THE PUSH FOR THE PENNANT:
How pleasing is the playing when the home club wins;

Everything considered, he gives promise of making a good fielder, but until he has been more severely tested no

With Pitcher Johnson's hand so badly split that he will be in no condition to pitch for probably ten days, the team seems badly off for twirlers. Delaney and Brown are in good form, and are really the only two pitchers who can be put in against strong teams. Quaries has been ordered to report, and while he was considered good last year he is an untried quantity this season. Fox, up to yesterday, had been in the box only once and then he was retired in favor of Brown after the fourth inning. That was in the game with Rochester, which was the first game lost by Scranton. So, if Winkleman proves satisfactory in the field, and Brown and Delaney, with one good pitcher to relieve them, can hold out in the box, Scranton ought to return June 1 with a string of wins as large as those of defeat. That is a fair expectation, but there are many experienced cranks who aver that the team will win two out of every three games played.

The support of the infield and the fine work of Brady and W. Johnson in left and center is all that the most exacting patron can desire. Not a criticism can be made of Rogers' work behind the bat. Several games won were due partly to his coolness and ability to steady the pitcher under trying circumstances. In the one game caught by Patchen, against Rochester, and which was won by Scranton, he did well for the first attempt of the season. He missed two high and difficult fouls and did not thoroughly control Johnson, but he caught well, as far as actual catching goes, and will be safe to relieve Rogers if that player is injured.

Scranton begins playing abroad Monday with Toronto, where, after three games, the club will come south to Buffalo, Rochester and Syracuse, on Monday a trip abroad which will playing three days in each city and last nearly three weeks. Thursday's reaching Wilkes-Barre on Wednesday, May 29. In Wilkes-Barre the club play two games, one on Wednesday, and another on the morning of Decoration Day, coming home for a game with Wilkes-Barre in the afternoon. From June 1 to June 12 the club will play three games each with Wilkes-Barre, Providence and Springfield in the order named.

Although one of the ablest and one of the most important of Scranton's players, Peter J. Sweeney, the captain and shortstop, is probably one of the least known in this city. Before the regular Eastern league season opened he fractured his collar bone in the exhibition game with Carbondale and has been unable to appear on the field. He has, however, been of much assistance



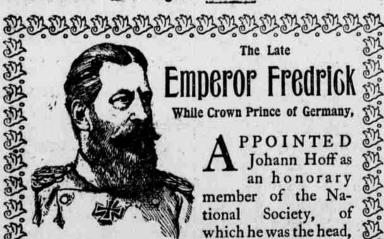
PETER J. SWEENEY. Scranton's Captain and Disabled Shortstop.

as Manager Barnie's lieutenant. Those who know Sweeney's proficiency are anxious to see him in the game. will be disabled for several weeks. He was born in 1864 in San Francisco, and from 1884 to 1889 played third base with the Haverly's, an excellent semi-pro-fessional club of that city. His professional record is as follows: 1888, Troy, third base; 1889, Washington, third base; 1890, St. Louis, third base; 1891, Rochester, shortstop; 1892, San Francisco, first base and captain; 1893, Stockton (Cal.), captain; 1894, Nashville, shortstop and captain. winters he works in the sales department of a San Francisco carriage sup-

Frank G. Ward, Scranton's second baseman, has been dubbed "the root-ers' delight." He is one of the public's favorites, and by his vim and snappy

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self in the good graces of the cranks. Ward is as full of tricks, legitfmate ones, as water is full of muisture, and plays every card for its full value. As a base stealer he has no superior on and during the winter he works in a that year until 1893 he played second base on the following clubs:



FRANK G. WARD, Scranton's Second Baseman.

Orleans; 1890, Galveston and Spokan-(Wash.); 1891, Sacramento and Min-neapolis; 1892, Milwaukee and Baltimore. During 1893, he played in right field for Baltimore and Cincinnati, being sold to the latter club. Last season he covered second base for Washington. Last winter the papers contained a glowing account of Ward's heroic act in rescuing a negro from a burning building.

is a rich land owner in Philadelphia, Dunlap was one of the few players who knew how to drive a sharp bargain. He always commanded the highest salary ers, when properly cut, make a becoming afloat. No club ever got his name to a Louis in 1886. They paid him a salary of \$6,400. Then Pittsburg courted him. The Detroit people told him they wanted to transfer him to Pittsburg. boss, "do you expect to sell me for?" "Four thousand dollars," was the re-

"It takes two to make a bargain," said Dunlap. "You can sell me, but first thousand, and then you must give me of the Eastern Pennsplvania circuit, leave to name my own salary." came to him.

queried. Dunlap.

"How much do you want?" he

The Pittsburger feigned astonishment. "When I say \$7,000 a year," said Duna year. But before I do anything I last two years of professional playing perfect, he received \$12,000 for his Bervices. year from Detroit and St. Louis, and his savings were turned into real estate. and out of these investments he has grown comparatively rich.

NOTES OF THE DIAMOND:

The best pitchers have off days. Springfield has transferred Pitcher Monahan to New Bedford. The Senators' pitchers are not doing so

It sounds natural to hear of Sam Thompon making home runs. Boston is playing the same old "hit and

un" game and with success, They have dubbed Von der Ahe's aggregation the "Done Browns" in St. Louis. Tom Kinslow seems to have recovered himself and is putting up a gilt-edged game for the Pittsburgers.

Of the 228 men on the Netional league pay-roll this season only eighty-one were in fast company six years ago. Chris Ven der Ahe and Arlie Lathan

have patched up a truce, and for the first time in five years are now on speaking Fred Pfeffer has left the Louisville team

and will not be seen on the diamond again

this season. He has a position in the Chicago city hall. The "Rainmakers" and the "Trolley Dodgers" are the latest terms used by base ball writers to designate the Phillie and Brooklyns respectively.

Providence Telegram: "Manager Maddock, of the Torontos, says he was forced into playing the second game at Spring-field on Wednesday against his will.

Kid Baldwin, once one of the crack catchers of the country, is at Harrisburg Pa. His days as a ball player seen to be over, as it is said he is losing his eyesight. St. Louis and Cincinnati papers are making all sorts of claims that Umpire Betts has been giving the Pittsburg Pirates all the best of every game played in those cities up to date.

"I don't expect to draw any salary, Send my check to Nick Young," is the bit-ter way in which McGraw, of Baltimore, alluded to the fines that have been laid up against him for the first month.

The most popular player in the Phila delphia team will be presented with a \$30 silver cup at the end of the season. The matter of popularity is to be decided by a voting contest among the Quaker City en-

The Buffalo infield is going to be renovated, and judging by the game the club has been putting up, the whole team needs a shaking up. Lewee, the Cincinnati im-portation, will get his freedom and a new man be secured.

Martin Hogan, the fast little outfielder, was loaned to the Indianapolis club for the season, President Von der Ahe having an agreement with that club for the return of Hogan at the end of the season or the privilege of selecting any one of the In-dianapolis club players desired by St. Louis.-Globe-Democrat.

The record of the Georgetown team this season has stamped them as the most formidable college nine in the country. Physically they have no superiors in the college ranks, while their playing qualities are of the gilt-edge order. The team is composed of several of the crack players in the country. Harley and McCarthy made enviable records at Holy Cross while Sullivan and Carmody were the "finest" Fordham college has turned out in many years.—Philadelphia Telegraph.

The weekly club run of the Green

house at 7.15, arriving at Hotel Betts, Peckville, at 7.55. Messrs. Zerflieh, Knight, Rowlson and Carr amused their companions and the crowd which gathered in front of the hotel veranda the team, and is next to T. Johnson, with an abbreviated performance of the best and wittlest coacher. Ward "Allatoona." Most of the riders was born in Chambersburg, Pa., in scorched home, the leaders making the return trip in twenty-six minutes. After enjoying a spray and rub-down all hands adjourned to Louis Smith's place produce market in that city. He played on Capouse avenue, where they were first base for Johnson in 1887, but from the guests of the genial proprietor and were handsomely entertained.

MISCELLANEOUS WHIRS:

A meeting of the race committee of the Pennsylvania Bicycle club has been called for next Monday evening. The date, programme and track will be settled upon

W. B. Troy is desirous of matching C. M. Murphy against John S. Johnson for a series of match races. He stated yester-day that if Johnson consents to race Mur-phy he will make the match at once.

Charles Culver declares he has invented in electrical device for a bicycle with which he believes that a good rider will be able to cover a mile in 1.45 or better. His idea is to use the contrivance for

All ameteur wheelmen are warned by the racing board against entering the ten-mile race announced to take place at Ebensburg, Pa., on June 1, as sanction to give that event has been refused. The promoter of the event offered as prizes sums mounting to \$200 in cash.

Zimmerman's friends are of the opinion that the champion will go to Europe in June, regardless of the fact that the effort to arrange a race with Housen has fallen through. They think that Zimmerman will go abroad in June and take part in the professional races in Europe in June and July. In August the strong fellow will go to Australia.

Harry Winters, of Long Island City, while riding his blcycle over Irvington-Milburn course Sunday evening, was attacked by five tramps who demanded his money. Winters drew his revolver and fired upon his assailants, one of whom was hit by a buliet. Winters was struck in the head by a stone, but escaped without suffering any more serious injury. Close observers of cycling notice a sen-

sible reform in the dress of cyclists, both men and women riders. The men are discarding the braided uniforms and out-Fred Dunlap, the old captain and sec-ond baseman of the St. Louis Marcons, landish shaped caps, and the uniforms of today are either of dark flannels or of light worsted checks, with the cap to match Women are riding with ease and comfort costume. Some of those who go in for contract without paying a pretty penny solid comfort predict even that tights for it. Detroit bought him from St. will be worn this summers, under short skirts, and leather or cloth leggings.

Horsemen, professional and otherwise, will have plenty of opportunity "How much," he asked of the Detroit this season to exercise both their hobby and their horses. The Scranton Driving park and Fair association has completely renovated and improved the old Driving park to such a degree that it is the best of its kind in this section of and will give two three-day meetings The Pittsburg man, J. Palmer O'Neil, during the middle of the summer and in the early autumn. The Gentlemen's Driving club of non-professionals are re-organized, and during the summer "Seven thousand a year," replied will meet at least once every two weeks Their first meeting, an informal one will be on Saturday, May 18, and on Decoration Day they will give their first big trot. That local racing this iap, "I mean I want \$5,000 of the first year's salary from you. The other \$2,-000 is half of the purchase money you park management has equipped the have bargained to pay Detroit. After the first year I'll play with you for \$5,000 modious box stalls, and is building a grandstand which will seat 2,500 permust be guaranteed two year's salary." sons. The property has been newly The proposition was a bold one, but fenced inside and outside the track, and sons. The property has been newly Dunlap got away with it and in his the track itself has been made fast and

over the development that Corbett has being of an economical turn he put away a good deal of this sum. Most of Peter Jackson in the ring, but has gone so far as to authorize negotiations looking to a fight with the colored man in London next August or September. "Its a case of skin business all the way through," said the Kangaroo. "They want to throw me down, but they can't do it. I had my suspicions at the time that the match was made that Corbett, Grady, Joe Vendig and the rest of them knew that it would never be pulled off. Now, here is a fair proposition: My season closes the end of next week. If no club can be found

to offer a purse, I will fight him in public, or in priviate, within three weeks from Saturday, May 18, for the side stakes of \$10,000 a side, that are already up for the Florida meeting. If that does not suit him, then I shall insist that he meet me this summer or fall in accordance with the terms of the Florida articles. The fact is that he has got to fight or quit. What's the matter with the man. Is he afraid, or what ails him? If he does not want to fight on this side of the water, I will go to London to accommodate him, for he seems particularly anxious to get as far away from America as possible. 'Fight or forfeit,' that's my ultimatum and if it's 'fight,' then the quicker the better; I'm ready."

Champion James J. Corbett, who is stopping with friends in a southern suburb, indulged in a hearty laugh when shown the interview with Fitzsimmons concerning his proposed match with Jackson.

Then he said: "He talks like the

devil, doesn't he, when he sees no chance to fight? He wasn't so fighting mad when he made the match. He was going to pull my nose and do lots of other things, but he did not do any of them. He does not need to worry about my throwing him down, for he's too easy meat. My position is simply this: "I am in this thing for money It is apparent that the Florida contest can't be pulled off, and no other club in the country has offered a purse. I am going to fight this fellow, either in this country or across the water, but I am not going to throw away three months or train for fun. If any club will offer a sufficient purse, or if Fitzsimmons can't get any of them to do so, then I will fight him in September This talk about fighting in a month is bosh, for I want three months to train, and besides there is no money in fight-ing in private. Any match arranged with Jackson in London will be purely conditional on its being possible to pul off a contest here. If, however, a match can't be made with Jackson, and Fitz wants to fight before the London

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rhubarb root the size of a pea-this will insure a daily bowel movement. Split a raisin (lengthwise) in two; spread the fresh surface with red pepper and place it (the pepper side) against the gum which encircles that aching tooth. Keep it there until the aching is relieved.

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