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PROVIDENCE WINS AGAIN

Defeated the Wilkes-Barre Alligators in an Uphill Fight.

SCRANTONS WERE DEFEATED

Springfield Won a Close and Exciting Pitchers' Battle--All the Four Leaders Won, Toronto Excepted.

Scranton goes down again by virtue of yesterday's defeat by Springfield, but Buffalo and Wilkes-Barre, the other tail-enders of the second division, also hit the dust, and so there is no prospect of having our position lowered by today's games.

Providence won its sixth straight game after an uphill fight with Wilkes-Barre. The "Toros" eight errors lost them the game with Rochester, and the same cause led to Buffalo's defeat by Syracuse.

The Scranton-Springfield game was a pitchers' battle, in which "Little Jack" Hornor was not quite as good as Easton, the champions' twirler.

Eastern League Results.				
Springfield	3	Wilkes-Barre	1	
Providence	8	Wilkes-Barre	0	
Syracuse	11	Buffalo	7	
Rochester	6	Toronto	0	

Percentage Record.				
Providence	7	W.	L.	P.C.
Rochester	8	2	2	.29
Syracuse	9	2	4	.29
Springfield	7	3	4	.29
Toronto	7	3	4	.29
Scranton	6	2	4	.29
Buffalo	6	2	4	.29
Wilkes-Barre	7	1	6	.29

To-day's Eastern League Games. Providence at Wilkes-Barre. Springfield at Scranton. Syracuse at Buffalo. Rochester at Toronto.

OPENING OF THE SEASON.

Two Thousand Persons Saw a Great Game of Ball and Incidentally Saw Scranton Defeated by Springfield.

Two thousand spectators cheered and yelled and perspired and did other things that cranks are wont to do to make the home club win. It was no use. Springfield took the biscuit in pitchers' melée in which Scranton's "Little Jack" Hornor wasn't quite as good as a little Springfield cod named Easton. The game was a pitchers' battle, in which Hornor was not quite as good as Easton, the champions' twirler. The game was a pitchers' battle, in which Hornor was not quite as good as Easton, the champions' twirler.

Scranton lost, but from an artistic house ball game was made a beauty, one of the real, genuine kinds of beauty which keeps the bleachers in perpetual danger of heart disease. It was just the kind of a game for the opening of the Eastern league season, with but one drawback. The one disappointment was that the other fellows won, but they had to draw all the cards they needed and play a close, conservative game to do the trick. And then, umpire Kelly. He was in the game, too; that is, he was supposed to be in the game, but no one will stake their life on such a fact until he chalks up a bit on balls and strikes. Scranton didn't get the worst of it, but Mr. Kelly will run less chances of spoiling future matinees if he will sharpen his eagle eye a bit.

SWEETENED DEFEAT. Everything conspired to sweeten the bitterness of defeat. The weather was ideal, the crowd was large, the patrons were accommodated as never before in Scranton, and the grounds looked like the grounds you read about and not like a cow pasture, as in the days of yore--the good old days when everybody thanked down the admission notice and then hustled to get what very little there was of the best of everything. Surely all these things made a homeopathic pill out of an agonizing defeat.

What will interest the lady cranks--all the gentler sex there were ladies--is the fact that Manager Burns, the Beau Brummel manager of the Eastern league, married a maiden in Springfield the other day, and the two are making a honeymoon trip out of this jaunt with the club. Mrs. Burns is a mascot of the rare kind, as she didn't go to see the game, but her husband's club won just the same.

When play was called at 3:30 o'clock the crowd presently filled the two sets of bleachers, occupied the vacant space in the enlarged grandstand and overflowed itself along the infield fences. The gathering was much better in tone than that of the old, but the old standby cranks were there just the same. And so was "Jack" Neat. He doesn't get a free pass to the games now-a-days and that's why he is routed for Springfield. Anyhow, the new bigness of the property and its cleanliness and the perfect arrangements and comfort put everybody in a good-natured and enthusiastic humor.

Before the game was half finished it was apparent that the 1896 Scranton club is better than any that has represented this city in former years. The two weak spots on the team were recognized but were considered in a charitable light because the collective work was so good and because the final result was plainly due to circumstances fortunate to the visitors rather than inferior work by Scranton. This is true because the players' error which permitted Springfield to score the winning run in the fourth was offset by a fine offense by Lynch which gave the Coal Barons their only tally.

HEARTY IN ITS SUPPORT.

That the crowd was hearty in its support for the Scranton players and in full accord with the effort of the new owners to give the city real live baseball was shown by the applause which greeted each Scranton player when he

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Hassett, 2b	1	0	0	0
Knights, 1b	1	0	0	0
Conroy, ss	1	0	0	0
Canavan, 3b	1	0	0	0
Dixon, c	1	0	0	0
Hoskins, p	1	0	0	0

first walked up to the plate. The applause was of course greatest for Meany, Ward and Egan of the team, but the others got the same kind of a reception. Plainly there was no need for grandstand posing or for a player throwing bouquets at himself; the audience did all that.

Hutchinson, the newest Scranton player, made a hit, not a base hit but a favorable impression. It was his misfortune to make a costly error, though, the game was won later anyhow, but his heavy, fast field playing and brisk, clean style of hitting was sufficient to introduce him as a player, a good player.

Maguire, too, considering his crippled leg was put down as a player who is bound to be fast and popular. These two, with Senator Ward, gave ample evidence that their section of the infield is all right. Chiles on first did as well as could be expected of one who is doing emergency duty in a position as foreign to him as is a strange garret to a cat.

"Red" McDonald, the Springfield catcher, and second baseman, struffed his side early in the week and will not be able to play for a week, and his customary place was occupied by Cogan, the ex-umpire of Pennsylvania, who caught the swift and sure shortstop work of Will Shannon, brother of Frank, the '95 Springfield shortstop, who was sold to Louisville, was a feature of the game. No one was doing a catching which had much to do with Easton's steadiness.

FIRST AT THE BAT.

Scranton was first at bat, and Senator Ward got an ovation and the same recognition was bestowed on Meany, who followed. The applause was continued until the batting order was completed in the third inning, and at frequent intervals thereafter. Ward and Meany flew out and Chiles rapped a hot liner to left. It was but a single hit, but Lynch let it go through his legs. The ball rolling to the corner of the field and Chiles scoring with several fast leashes. Eagan flew out. For Springfield Leary drew four wide strikes, but did not let Lynch's out at first and Cogan's fly to center, but Gilbert was thrown out at first. Score, 1-0.

Flack, in the second, flew out to center; Maguire hit the third strike called on him and Rafferty was nailed at first. It was only by sharp fielding that the Bombers scored but one run. With one out, Shannon singled and went to third on a hit by Gruber. Gunson pushed a fast one down to Hutchinson, which called player did well to stop. Easton, third baseman, and Gruber made a break for home, but was headed by Ward's quick throw to Rafferty. A short period of see-sawing on the line put the game in a tie, 1-1.

Hornor started the third with a single to right, but was too greedy and was put out by Scheffer's good throw to second. Ward and Meany fouled out. With two Springfielders out Cogan hit to left and Gilbert flew out to Flack. Chiles and Hutchinson were out on flies in the fourth, but Eagan lined one over Shannon's head. Flack was thrown out at first.

THE WINNING RUN. Then Springfield scored the winning run. Scheffer opened with a triple to right-center, but could get in on Shannon's at bat first. Gruber hit one down to Hutchinson and Scheffer milled for home. Hutchinson had him a mile but threw two low for Rafferty to catch. Shannon's at bat next two up were easy outs at first. Score, 1-2.

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PRESIDENT POWERS HERE

Was in Conference With Scranton Club Owners Last Night.

HIS VISIT WAS INSIGNIFICANT

Controversy of Power, the Player, is Still Unsettled--Where the Club Needs Strengthening--About Today's Game.

President Powers, of the Eastern league, came to Scranton last night and was in conference with Messrs. Simpson and Shepherd. They had a long conversation in Mr. Brooks' office in the "Traders" bank building. Manager McDermott was present. No particular significance was attached to Mr. Powers' visit.

The Tom Powers matter was discussed in a general way, but it is still in the same condition as early in the week. Manager Burns, of the Springfield, still has hopes of getting the player and so expressed himself to a Tribune reporter last night. The Scranton owners have nothing to say on the subject, but their failure to negotiate for anyone else has its own significance.

After yesterday's game it is apparent what a strong aggregation Scranton would have with a competent first baseman and a heavy hitting catcher. This is not indicative that the management hasn't the game in view. They have, and the arrangement will permit putting Chiles in center field, thus increasing the already great hitting strength of the team and strengthening its only two weak points.

Johnson is slated to pitch today. Hawley or Coughlin will be in the box for Springfield. The game will likely be a close one, as yesterday, for it is admitted that the opening game showed the Scranton club strong and worthy of support, and the support it deserves.

The Tribune acknowledges President Powers' courtesy in granting its representative a glimpse of a ball park in the Eastern league circuit.

BASE BALL NOTES.

Rochester has nineteen men on her payroll. She is playing a remarkable game for Rochester. Bob Leadley is managing a club in the Pacific league. Cleveland is stuck on Jack Shearon, drafted from Buffalo.

Count Tony Mullane is pitching phenomenal ball for St. Louis. Anson says he would be willing to give Willie Bill Hutchinson a new trial. Cleveland is playing a ball so fast that he expects to join the Orioles May 29.

Up to last Saturday Corcoran managed to get at least a hit in every game. Earl Wagner is dicker with Lester German, and may sign this week. The receipts for the game at Scranton were \$1,000 for the game, \$1,000 for the game, \$1,000 for the game.

The Baltimore club has loaned Pitcher Gray, whom Chapman was after, to Columbus. Wilkes-Barre is trying to secure a pitcher from the eight now being carried by Baltimore. Dwyer and Rhines will probably prove the star pitchers of the Cincinnati this season.

If over a team played in hard luck from the beginning of a season that team is McCloskey's. Louisville has been angling for Third Baseman Ellis, of the Shamokin club, who is a good man.

In the Western league the attendance at the opening games was 16,000, while it was 18,000 in the Eastern. The Toledo Stars led in attendance at the diamond--one with Philadelphia, one with Cleveland, and one with the Quincy club of the Western association.

A Baltimore man on bases is worth seeing. He always has a good lead and things are flying so fast that he can get from first to third on an ordinary single. Tom Burns, of Springfield, has got a good man in Cogan, who is well known here as the former catcher of the University of Pennsylvania team--Providence Journal.

George McVey, the well-known ball player, at died at Quincy, Ill., Sunday, of consumption. He played with Peoria, Omaha, Kansas City, Evansville and a number of other clubs. Year Uncle Anson believes in encouraging young America, and suggests that the gates be thrown open after the seventh day of the month, and that the gates be thrown open after the seventh day of the month, and that the gates be thrown open after the seventh day of the month.

The West Side Stars defeated the West Side Stars yesterday, and the score was 18 to 19. They would like to play today any time for money. Willie Gallagher, manager; Walter Hight, captain.

Sciatic Rheumatism Cured. L. Wagner, Wholesale Druggist, Richmond, Va., says: "I had a fearful attack of Sciatic Rheumatism, was laid up almost two months; was fortunate enough to get Mystic Cure for Rheumatism. This cured me after doctor's prescriptions had failed to have any effect. I have also heard of fine results from others who have used it." Sold by Carl Lorenz, Druggist, 415 Lacka-

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OF INTEREST TO WHEELMEN.

The South Scranton Wheelmen made a club run to Elmhurst and return last evening. The South Side club is in a flourishing condition.

Buffalo is now the greatest "Bicycle city in the world." It claims 40,000 wheelmen and women, and the number is increasing at the rate of 100 a day.

Both the Scranton Bicycle club and the Green Ridge Wheelmen are taking in many new members at each meeting. The loom in the wheel trade adds members to bicycle clubs everywhere.

The bicycle division of the "Country club" consisting of the younger people of "The Hill" enjoyed their first club run Monday evening out through Green Ridge. James Blair is captain, and Miss Archibald, lieutenant.

A number of the Green Ridge Wheelmen are contemplating a vacation trip on their wheels to Richmond, Va., via Harrisburg, down the Shenandoah Valley. The trip will probably consume two weeks and will be taken in August.

The formation of a new bicycle club which is being organized on the West Side bids fair to be a success. The promoters of the scheme have already secured upwards of forty wheelmen, who will join at the first meeting, which will be held very soon. The new club will immediately secure a club house after perfecting an organization.

We would suggest to the management of the Baseball association that they make some arrangements whereby wheelmen who ride their wheels to the games may have them checked and taken care of while they witness the play. The wheelmen would greatly appreciate this convenience and would willingly pay a small sum, say ten cents, for the accommodation.

We do not uphold the right of wheelmen to ride on the sidewalks, but will say right here, that if the streets were in good condition, there would be no cause for a "sidewalk ordinance." Anyone who knows anything about cycling knows that a dirt road in good condition is preferable to a stone sidewalk or an asphalt pavement for easy riding and comfort.

One of the many bicycles made "expressly for Lillian Russell" was on exhibition in this city Thursday last during the actress's engagement at the Academy of Music. It was a hand-some one. The parts ordinarily enamelled, were silver plated, and the sections which on the ordinary safety are nickel-plated, were gold plated. The wheel is said to be worth \$1,000. It attracted much attention in Flory's show window, placed as it was, "Lillian Russell's \$1,000 bicycle." As a matter of fact, Miss Russell has never ridden the wheel, and in all probability never will, but has no doubt, for due consideration, allowed the manufacturers to make this "wheel" "expressly" for her, and exhibit it in the cities in which she appears. This isn't the first wheel made "expressly for Miss Russell"; there are others.

The Green Ridge Wheelmen will conduct a club run to the meeting of the Anthracite Valley Cider Path association at Mahon's hall, Ollyphant, next Thursday evening. All the wheelmen of the Ollyphant, Archibald, Bellevue, Sibley, Taylor and other towns in the county will participate.

Fourteen entries have been received for the handicap alley ball contest at the court at Dunmore corners. Players from Ollyphant, Archibald, Bellevue, Sibley, Taylor and other towns in the county will participate.

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"path" will soon be a matter of fact. All wheelmen who will accompany the Green Ridge boys to the Ollyphant meeting are requested to be at the Green Ridge Wheelmen's club house not later than 7:00 p. m. Thursday as Captain Carr and his riders will start promptly at that time.

Tom Eick and Johnnie Johnson, the great American trainer and rider respectively, have a Jonah. At least, that's what professional wheelmen say. For five years whenever they started out for records, and Willis B. Troy, the well known trainer-manager, appears on the scene, their plans have invariably gone wrong. On this account we suppose, E. C. Stearns & Company, of Syracuse, have engaged Troy to take a "Stearns team" across the water, where Eick and Johnson are at present cutting a great figure in racing circles. Troy will sail for France about the last of this month, taking with him Charles Murphy, Harry Wheeler and Earl Kiger, a speedy Frenchman whose name Kiger refuses to divulge, will be added to the team upon its arrival on the other side. The team is certainly a fast one, and Troy says they will "eat Johnson up," which is much easier said than done. The bicycle racing element in this country will watch the result of this fracas with much interest.

Robinson street, the only approach to the West Side which can be used by wheelmen, could be put in passable condition at very little expense. This street is always very muddy in the damp season, the only remedy for which is a pavement, but during dry weather, such as we have had for two weeks, the road could be made very rideable if the big stones, which lie loosely on the surface of the street, and which make wheeling very dangerous, both by day and night, were removed. Councilman Seaman of the Thirteenth ward, has had all the loose stones which lay on the streets of his ward removed and has filled up all the uneven places in the streets with cinders so that wheeling in that section is a pleasure. By removing the loose stones on Robinson street (many of which are as big as watermelons) the wheelmen would not be the only ones benefited thereby, but also the owners of vehicles who are obliged to drive on that thoroughfare. Remove the stones.

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