Worthless, wandering Neal Barrett opened a package done up in a newspaper and smacked his lips in glowing anticipation. Then as the contents were revealed his rugged face broke into a smile.

'A right royal hand-out!" he gloat-"Chicken and cake, and biscuits -all buttered, too. Must have had a banquet at that house last night."

Neal sat down on a pile of boards and started in to discuss the tempting viands that lay before him. In his grateful mind was a memory of the pleasant little housewife who had so sumptuously provided for him.

"It's been hard grubbing for a day or two," sollioquized Neal, "but this makes up for it all. It's better than tree lunch-and without the temptation. I don't pick up much work, but the bare soles of his victim's feet. I'm in a 'dry' district. That's my-only safety zone, and l'il stick!"

He was a good-natured and a good looking fellow. Too good-natured by car he had been in the past. It had ted to his grieving a sweet fond girl. a had ended in her father forbidding fifm the house. That was a good many cailes from Neal's present town-of temporary residence. Neal saw the justice of his dismissal, for Mr. Parsous was poor and Neal was spolling the chances for marriage for his daughter, Plorence.

Neal had lost his position through being too easy-going with a reckless, He left town and Work was not easy to pick



He Looked Invitingly at Neal,

up and idleness killed his ambition. He was one now, as a matter of fact.

For a month, however, he had bettered in one respect. A drinking bout had got alm in with a criminal crowd, and had he not abandoned them he would have landed where they did-in the pentientiary. The experience scared him. He took refuge in a local option district. He had not tasted flquor for a month. With sobriety had come sure saddened thoughts of the girl he had left behind him. He had faithfully sought work, but did not find it to do. So, hand-outs had become his portion.

"Hello!" ejaculated Neal in a sudden sprightly way.

There had come a rustling in the bushes behind him and then a blg handsome collie dog bounded in tropt of him, snifted towards the outsprend funch and then sat up and held out "Shake, old fellow!" halled Neal.

"Hungry? I see you are. All right. We'll make it fifty-lifty, and there you

It did Neal good to see the halffamilied antiful enjoy the toothsome meal, which he divided evenly with wim. It was getting on toward dusic Neal had tramped a good many miles that day the chose a soft grass plat fund of information. fust off the road and stretched himself out.

The dog made no demur, more than content to stay with his new master as long as the latter smoked and trip, according to the records of all apoke to him. As Neal closed his eyes for a nap, however, the animal ill from ocean travel, and did not miss got up near to him, putted his sleave, pranced about, showed plainly that he did not consider it bedtime, nor the 12 years ago from Beverly, Pa., havsite of the sleeta favorable for rest ing lived the greater part of her life and comfort.

What you trying to tell me. sellow?" queried Neal whimsically, Want me to go somewhere? All right-march almad."

The animal at once adopted the methods of a guide. Down, the road mountains. Strolling about the camp, an proceeded, then across a lot and be noted that many of the men had put darting along a narrow laze arrived their blankets under the wagons. One at an old barn structure.

entered its doorway. There was a able distance away from the wagons sair of stairs and a loft with sufficient and the rest of the men. Seeing him old hay on its floor to make a very thus by himself he asked the man why comfortable bed.

tat! I share my meal and you pilot asked the old fellow as he twisted ten to a first-class bed. Good for you, around in his blankets. "Not much.

They became close chuins, those darn confining to sleep under a roof." two, during the next few days. The constant companionship of the animal aleased and cheered Neal. As to idelity he seemed to be supremely army, enlisted under heaven's capcontent. One night, however, when talney, to do battle against the same they arrived at the barn, they found enemy, the empire of darkness and the doors barred and padlocked, and wrong? Why should we misknow one it was not so dark but that New could another, light not against the enemy, esad scrawled across the new bar- but against ourselves, from mere difrier the chalked words: "Trespassers | ference of uniform? All uniforms shall will be prosquited according to the be good, so they hold in them true,

It had begun to rain and man and dog had tramped a long distance that afternoon. Neal looked for temporary shelter. He found it at the side of the house in a vine-embowered arbor. A long bench invited him to rest and then unconsciously to slumber.

It must have been three or four hours later when Neal awoke. Towser was pulling at his coat. Neal sat up and then sprang to his feet, as from the inside of the house an echoing scream of terror or pain rang out. "Something wrong," uttered Neal, all his keen senses shrewdly slert in an instant, "and Towser knows it."

The dog, with an eager impatient glance back at his master, had started for the house. Neal followed. The front door was open. Down the hall the dog stole to where a door stood partly ajar. Beyond it Neal peered for the moment, horrified and spellbound. Across a table in his night duss lay the bermitlike occupant of the house -old Jacob Wise. He was ...d across it. There was a fire in the stove, and

A rough-looking man was poker. standing over the aged Wise. "Now then, I've got you safe and sound," he was saying. "You've got a fortune hidden away in some odd corner of this old house and I want it,

stuck between its red hot bars was a

understand?" Jacob Wise made no response. The obber drew the poker from the stove. "Tell where that money is," he spoke, 'or I'll give you a touch of this."

The intruder waved the red hot poker menacingly. He moved it across "I'll tell! It burns! I'll tell!"

shricked the tortured old man. Just then Neal pushed open the door. The intruder turned quickly, Neal sprang at him. They grappled. Then the robber pressed a revolver against the side of his opponent.

The last thing that Neal Barrett saw as he sank unconscious to the floor was the dog, his teeth at the throat of the wretch who had downed his master.

The waking moment came days later, although Neal did not realize that fact when he first roused up. In amazement he stared. Old Jacob Wise sat at his bedeide in a comfortable room. Through an open doorway, moving about engaged in domestic duties, Neal saw Florence Par-

"Ah! better!" chuckled the old miser. Good boy! I've been awfully anxious. Know her?" and he nodded his head match against Walter J. Travis, then tempted was trought off by Findlay towards the tidy, graceful figure in the next apartment.

Yes," whispered Neal weakly, but ils face aglow with tenderness and delight.

"She's true blue," declared the old nan fervently.

How "true blue," Neal Barrett knew ifter a little explanation. The faithful Towser had driven the robber away, terribly lacerated. Jacob Wise, grateful to man and dog who had saved to him a part of his hoarded forune, had given Neal the best care

Some memoranda found on Neal had advised Wise of the existence of Florence. He had written her. She had come to nurse the unfortunate man she still loved.

"I'll call her in now," advised Wise. She knows I'm soing to start you out on a new life, with plenty of capital. shall have a real silver collar. As to tain. he young lady-don't miss your chance to get a good wife."

Which Neal did not, and Towser, loyal, valiant Towser! was not shut out from guestship when the happy wedding took place.

SHE TOURED WORLD AT 85

Elderly Lady Enjoyed Trip, and Lived Two Years to Talk About It.

Mrs. Mary J. Scroggs, who enjoyed the unique distinction of having traveled around the world and enjoyed every mile of the tour when she was eighty-five years old, died at the residence of her son, Dr. G. A. Scroggs, at Los Angeles, Particularly free from illness throughout her life, she was III but a short time before death. She was eighty-seven years old.

Two years ago Mrs. Screggs decided to take a trip around the globe. Many friends had known that she longed to make the four, but were amuzed when she appounced that she had completed arrangements. Rugged and with a mind particularly receptive and alert, she traveled through the alien lands with the greatest enjoyment, and gathered an unusually large

She was accompanied by her daugh ter-in-law, Mrs. Doctor Scroggs, and her niece, Miss Elizabeth P. Balley. The oldest woman ever to make such a transportation companies, she was not

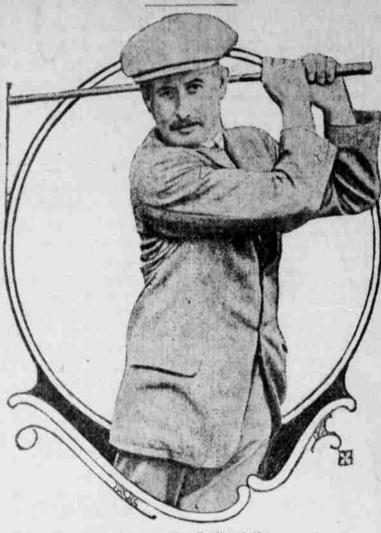
a day from sightseeing. Mrs. Scroggs went to Los Angeles in that community.

Buring an automobile trip last summer a San Francisco man stopped one night with a party of teamsters in the man, however, had taken particular He looked invitingly at Neat as he pains to carry his bedding a considerhe did not aleep under the wagons the "Well, well," laughed Neat- th for same as the others. , "Who-me?" Me for right out in the open. It's too

Carlyle on Warfare.

Are not all true men that live, of flowner, a grateful sample of true that ever lived, soldiers of the same vallant men - Carlyle.

ACME OF CONTROL OF LITTLE GOLF BALL



Harry Vardon, English Golfer.

In the opinion ... Harry Vardon, the | next, but in this particular match Anone has the pulled ball down to such a point of science as had the late Will

It was at Oakland some fifteen years ago when the course at Bay derson had a chance to show his wonthe Bautusol professional at the time, Anderson had been selected by James | and the western on three occasions.

Tying as a partner in four-ball turf beyond, after which the hole he said farewell to old St. Andrews, point of woods,

golfers considered it a good "stunt" an open shot for the green on their trivance, almost obsolete now.

English golf expert, the some of con- derson startled the gallery by imparttrol lies in the ability to slice or pull ing some mysterious spin to the ball, a ball at will. On occasions Vardon thereby causing it to travel straight has extricated himself from tight for 150 yars or so and then gracefully places by resorting to this form of turn to the left, finally disappearing master shot, but it is doubtful if any- round the bend well on its way to ward the green. Four times did Anderson accompish this feat that day without a mistake, and on each occasion it enabled him to get home with an iron, whereas the others were com-Side consisted of nine holes that An- pelled to use brassies with indifferent results. Since that day Anderson won derful cleverness in this line. Being a dozen or more championships, including the national open four times

Another master stroke rarely at a member of the Oakland Golf club, S. Dougias during the national chamand Dave Hunter, at that time the pionship at Morris county back in professional there. In playing what 1898. In those days Douglas showed was the home hole the drive was over a preference for a wooden putter, deep valley to a level stretch of which he brought over with him when turned sharply to the left around a and decided to cast his fortune with the land of the free. Although often In those days of the solid ball, called a bad putter Douglas got along remarkably well in this tournament to drive past the bend so as to have with the old-fashioned wooden con-

GOSSIP Y YAMONG SPORTS

That the outlook points to a revival You're a brave man, and that dog of football at Columbia seems now der-

> Fred Blanding, the husky pitcher of the Naps, says he is through with the

Mike Mowrey will return to the game and play third base for Oakes' Cash betting on the New York tracks

and open bookmaking is the forecast fer the season. Joe Shugrue says that he is fight-

ing his way into a law school with intention of practicing. Everybody is alive to the serious ness of war now. England has called

off the 1915 golf championship, Charlie Cutler, hurling a thousanddellar wrestling defy at the retired

champion, says that Gotch fears him, Bill Carrigan, the pilot of the Red Sox, has four left-handers on his roster and will hang on to all of them.

Miller Huggins has signed with the Cardinals. The little manager is perfeetly satisfied with the terms of his

contract.

The Feds have adopted a rule which will cause a fine of \$200 to be attached to the pitcher who dares to use the emery ball.

Stuffy McInnis of the Athletica blames the Feds for breaking up the of his labors he discovered himself; so as some think.

of baseball and seek more through threats to jump to the Federals.

Elcheniaub, the battering ram fullback of Notre Dame, has retired from athletics, which in his case means the captaincy of the 1915 track team.

dition to the White Sox. Manager Clarence Rowland says he would be glad to have the third baseman return. "Home Run" Baker says traveling is distasteful, yet we remember one round trip he made at the Polo

Harry Lord would be a welcome ad-

able to him. An umpire's job is a thankless one, according to most baseball fans, but there were 300 applications filed with President Blewett of the Northwestern league for berths on his staff during the 1915 season.

grounds that must have been enjoy-

Among the latest students at Laland Stanford university is R. A. Fortune, who for the last five years has represented All-Ireland in international rugby football games, playing right wing-three-quarters.

DISCOVERS HE HAS METHOD

Georges Carpentier, French Champion Never Knew He Had One Until He Wrote Book. Georges Carpentier, French cham-

pion boxer, in his amusing little book, "My Method," gives some sound and interesting advice to amateur athletes. He begins with the confession that the pen has always appeared to him as a dangerous instrument and that he was horrified when his friends first suggested that he should write a book on his methods. "Besides," writes Carpentier, "I did set know that I had a method and no one could have been

told I had one." He goes on to tell how, with the help of a friend, the book was laboriously compiled, and how at the end

more surprised than I when I was



Georges Carpentier.

Athletics last fall, and not dissension. that after all there was some justific- ian pony skin would stand up better ation in calling the book "Ma Connie Mack says that the players round athlete and when training does are exacting 90 per cent of the profits a great deal of rowing, tennis, sprinting, rope-skipping, jumping and Swebreathing.

Fortune for Players. The purchase of Eddle Collins for \$50,000 brings up the total of money paid by Charley Comiskey for stars within the past few years to \$107,500. This includes only six men, and puts the Chicago White Sox owner in a class by himself when it comes to loosening up the pursestrings in an effort to produce a pennant-winning recent years bought by the White the eastern teams. Sox: Eddie Collins, \$50,000: Chappell, \$18,000; Felch, \$12,500; Black \$8,000

"Lajoie Day" at Cleveland. Cleveland fans have started movement to make Sunday, May 9, appear in Cleveland, during the coming season, "Lajoie Day,"

The St. Louis club has purchased outfielder Lee of the Athletics.

PASSING OF ROWDY PLAYERS

Drinking, Carousing and Other Forms of Dissipation, Once So Prevalent. Are Seldom Noticed.

No game under the sun has improved in regard to the personnel of its participants as baseball, according to Scott E. Chesnett of Birmingham, a Southern league umpfre.

"There are very few rowdies in the game today," he added, "and time will soon come when a rowdy will no more be tolerated in baseball than in any other profession. Drinking, carousing and other forms of dissipation, once so prevalent, are very seldom witssed today.

"Baseball players have learned that rough tactics avail them nothing, but this is directly the result of the firm hand of Judge Kavanaugh, president of the league, and the frequent expression of disapproval on the part of the fans. Throughout the 1914 season, I was compelled to put out of games only three men, whereas in the olden days umpires often put out haif a dozen in one afternoon. And another improvement which is noted is that no longer do sporting editors attempt to roast umpires. During the season I was not adversely criticized a single time, unless one might construe a remark to the effect that I 'missed one or two' in the nature of a criticism.

"All in all, the game is on a very high plane in the Southern league."

SCHAEFER GOES TO NEWARK

To Act as Coach and Utility Man for New England Club-Will Put on Humorous Sketches.

"Germany" Schaefer, diamond come dian and former second baseman, has New York the other day that the veteran who was released recently by



"Germany" Schaefer.

Washington, had signed a two year contract with Pat Powers' Newark club.

It is supposed Schaefer is to act as coach and utility man for the new Fed club and put on his humorous acrobatic sketches for the amusement of the fans.

HORSEHIDE IS GOOD ENOUGH

Mistaken Idea That Hide of Siberian Pony Is Used in Manufacture of Baseball Covers.

Manufacturers of baseball supplies are laughing at a report which has gained circulation to the effect that the national sport will be seriously handicapped next season, due to an insufficient number of baseballs for major and minor league use. According to the report, the hide of the Siberian pony was the only leather suitable for baseball covers, and since the war had shut off this supply of skins the world's series might have to be played next October with defective balls, if played at all.

Investigation showed that plain, everyday American horsehide is the only skin used for covering baseballs, and that there is the usual supply in sight. This hide does not stretch or sag under the impact of bat and has always proved satisfactory. "Perhaps," remarked one manufacturer, "the Siberunder the batting of Ty Cobb or Jake Methode." Carpentier is a good all- Daubert, but for the average hitter of the major and minor leagues American horsehide can stand his lustiest belts and come back for more. dish leg and arm joint exercises, al- fact, if what some of the club manways accompanied by scientific deep agers tell me about their batters is true, ordinary wrapping paper would sustain the strain.

LEAGUE TRAVEL COSTS WAD

Pittsburgh Leads All Teams With 12, 595 Miles-Expense of All Clubs Placed at \$41,796.

The National league schedule for the coming season requires the eight clubs to travel 83,593 miles. The western ball club. Here are the big stars in clubs will cover more mileage than Pittsburgh leads with 12,595 miles,

and the New York Glants have the burne, \$11,000; Roth, \$8,000; Schalk, least traveling to do, their total for the season being put at 8,825. Figur ing on teams of twenty-one players and four others, including manager, trainer and secretary, this gives a te tal of 2,089,825 for the 200 players and the first day on which the Athletics others in the league. At two cents a mile, the minimum railroad mileage charge, the sum to be expended by the clubs between April 14 and October 7 will amount to \$41,796.50. Meals and sleeping berths will add many thousands to these figures.

Advance Styles in Spring Neckwear



high collars, there are many of them | concealing the throat and neck. It is that show an open throat. Practical not a particularly comfortable-looking joined the Feds. It was announced in | ly every collar is high at the back and | plece of neckwear, but will cover sides, but at least half of them are a multitude of defects, such "V" shaped in front, or may be worn wrinkles or sagging muscles. cither open or closed.

Two styles appear to be in the runming for first place for warm weather. They are the collar of lace or sheer embroidery like that shown in the picture, or the high fitted collar of net or organdie which sets close about the neck, worn with a second collar which finishes the bodice at the back and sides and is wired to stand away from the neck and to turn over.

There is almost no end to the number of designs in which these fancy collars are made. Many of them have cuffs to match and are suited to the blouse or coat.

A narrow frill of lace or net about the throat attached to a band of velvet or satin ribbon is worn with waists having round necks. This is becoming to those with long and slender figures who can wear the high closely dishwater no soap is needed. The fitting collars also. But for the short lemon will cut all grease and in neck and full throat the "V" shaped few days' time the silver, such a opening at the front is altogether best. knives, forks and spoons, will become It lengthens the neck in appearance. bright as new. All dark spots will

The Parasol Veil.

Another novelty of note is the sa called parasol veil. This is a huge circular vell thrown over the hat a that it falls in equal ripples on al sides. A border of ribbon combine with velvet dots renders this creation a striking one.

Still another new idea is featured in a fancy mesh veiling with a sand-co ored kid flower applied, so that i would appear over the mouth whe the veiling is adjusted. This style is strongly suggestive of the old tim vanity veil.

Lemon Instead of Soap.

By taking a lemon and cutting it is two and squeezing the juice into the A very smart and new collar is made also disappear from pitchers as of sheer organdic and is shaped to cups. Use the lemon over and over fit closely about the neck. At the top again

Empire Night Dress, Handmade Trimming



THOSE undermusins in which nar- two straight lengths of the material row crocheted edgings or tat- with a strong beading of narrow em tings are used with a little sheer embroldery. broidery are very effectively made up after the same patterns as those in which hand-made cluny lace is used. All these trimmings are equally durable and will outlast almost any of the simple bows with long loops. sheer fabrics which are favored for Except for the long felled seams at the body of these garments. If sewed the side, the work on a gown of this in by hand they will not be difficult

In the night dress shown in the picture very parrow hand-made cluny lace in an insertion and edging are used with an embroidery insertion about two inches wide. This insertion is a fine Swiss pattern having tiny single blossoms scattered over the sheerest of batiste.

to transfer to a second term of serv-

ice in new material.

the small yoke at the front, which is made up of one short piece across the and on tailored frocks of white cieth front and one at each side, extending to the shoulder seam. The yoke is borders a ripple tunic, but, of course outlined with the insertion, which this lavish trimming is exceedingly serves to join it to the material of the expensive. The older women should gown. The neck is finished with a fight rather shy of beaver, however narrow edging of cluny.

The short, gathered empire sleeves ing only to fresh, youthful complete are finished with a band of embroid- ions. ery joined to them by the clany insertion and edged with ince like that about the neck

is set on to the skirt, which is simply for many occasions.

The ever-present lingeric ribbon ! threaded through the beading at the walst and reappears in the edging # the neck and sleeves. It is tled in

kind is much more elegant if done by hand. Even the panels of set-in em broidery that form the yoke will no take a great deal of time and are more elegant than machine work JULIA BOTTOMLEY.

Beaver Fur Only for Young Women. Beaver fur grows more and more fashionable-and who would have dreamed, a year ago, of wearing Three strips of this embroidery set beaver again? The soft, dainty pet together with the lace insertion form is used for collarettes and aleeve eds ings on frocks of pussy willow silk Sometimes a broad band of beaver

Economical Costume. A blouse of lace with a separate The short emptre waist of the gown skirt will make a costume appropriate

for its delicate fawn color is become

What is in the mail from daughter?" asked mother, eagerly. "A thousand kisses," answered father, grimly "and sixteen handkerchiefs, two waists and four Satches of ribbons for you to wash und me.d."-Kansas City Jour-

Carrying It Too Far.

Romance to Reality. Girls are such sentimental creatu that it gives romance a rude folt whe

Algernon in his shirt sleeves, ch

ping up kindling wood out in the bar yard.-Florida Times-Union

Public life is a situation of po and energy; he trespasses against bi An agreeable disposition is a nice and energy; he tresposses against thing, but some people are so easy to duty who sleeps upon his watch get along with that it's no fun to get well as he that goes over to the