BETTING IS EVEN ON NEILL-RILEY CONTEST.

Both Puglists Claim That They Will Win, and It Seems Hard to Pick a Winner.

The way orders for seats for the Neill-Riley boxing contest are pouring in has surprised the most sanguine expectations of the local managers and they are taking precaution to have ample seating capacity for all who care to attend. The little knocks sent over from Seattle have not had the desired effect, as the local admirers of the manly art have too much confidence in Day and Grant to pay atention of the soreheads on Puget Sc who wished the contest to take place

Neill and Riley have trained to the minute. Both are at the required weight and will enter the ring at the Exposition building fit to put up the banner contest of their careers, whether it be a winning or losing one.

Riley was seen at his quarters yester-day, after coming in from a ten-mile He was covered with perspiration and the statement made by him that he was two pounds lighter than when he started out was borne out by his appearance. His superb condition was noted by those present and brought remarks of approbation. "He is hard as nalls," was of them, and "Fast as chain lighthim work in the gymnasium Saturday af-That the above remarks fitly his condition cannot be gainsaid. This, added to youth and strength, justifies the opinion that he will undoubt-edly give Neill the hardest and best rub ever seen in the local arena, if he does

Neill is not working very hard in the evmnashum but takes to the road early ry morning. He says: "Road work is I need to build up my strength. I have found nothing better for that purpose and will stick to it. I have boxed but twice since my arrival in Portland, as I have come to the conclusion that there is nothing left for me to learn about it. I have fought all of the best about it. I have fought all of the best men in the world in my class with the exception of Tommy Ryan and Walcott, as my record will show, and have profited by the experience gained. Therefore, I cannot see why some of the so-called wise ones talk of making Riley a favorite over me. I assure you I will beat him. I took Mr. Riley's measure in our last contest and will win from him."

Kid Cairns feels badly over the statent made by Riley that the Neill combireturn to California, and says: "If Jimmy tiley will consent there need be no loser's nd to our purse in the preliminary. I will be only too glad to box him winner take

round preliminary, are in fine fettle and will put up a fast and interesting bout. betting on the contest has become quite brisk. Even money rules and the ats of both men are backing their

THE LIGHTWEIGHT MATCH. Local Managers Did Well When They

Obtained Britt and O'Keefe. Fred T. Merrill, who has just returned rom an extended trip to the East, says saw a number of boxing matches while was gone, but that they were not up to

the standard he expected "While in Chicago and Philadelphia," he id yesterday, "I took time to visit some of their best boxing shows, and I assure you that I saw but one contest that equaled in any way those given by the Portiand Pastime Club. I think that the local managers should be congratulated in getting the Britt-O'Keefe match, as the latter is considered in Chicago as the

coming lightweight champion."

The articles of agreement for the Britt-O'Keefe fight, which will take place here March 9, were signed in San Francisco turday afternoon. O'Keefe is expected leave San Francisco for Portland this O'Keefe is expected isco for Portland this

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Following in rapid succession came challenges from 'Young' Corbett, Jack
O'Keefe and Benny Yanger.

"Corbett's proposition was to fight at
128 pounds, weigh in at 6 o'clock, or 130
pounds ringside, weights which were considered too light by Jimmy. O'Keefe ofide, or the same conditions Britt agreed

at Corbett, and several days ago accepted his proposition to fight at 128 pounds, weigh in at 6 o'clock. The conquerer of McGovern, however, thought better of his proposition and positively refused to have any fistic dealings with Britt. O'Keefe and Yanger were ready to talk business with Jimmy and word was received on Friday by O'Keefe's manager, Sig Hart, that Harry Corbett had arranged a meeting between Jimmy and Jack, to take place at Portland, Or., next month. "Hart and O'Keefe will leave for Portland tomorrow. In point of science and ring generalship O'Keefe is without doubt the equal to Britt."

ATHLETICS AT A STANDSTILL. University of Washington Students

and Faculty Fall to Agree. UNIVERSITY OF WASHINGTON, Se attle, Feb. &-(Special.)-Athletic affairs at the University of Washington are at plete standstill. The faculty complete standstill. The faculty agerships which has not altogether met with the approval of the students. Owing to the mismanagement by student officers the faculty decided to take matters in their own hands to a limited degree, and they adopted the idea of a graduate man-ager to have general supervision over all the different managers of the various branches of athletics. They also retained for themselves the power to submit a list of nominees from which the students must

That all athletics should be under one head ceadily met with the sanction from the 'varsity association, but as to the list submitted there has been much comaint, for only one name was handed—that of the present football manager William T. Laube. As to the person-ality of the candidate, the students have no objections, and had the election been left open to their association he would have undoubtedly been their unanimous choice. That the faculty, however, should dictate to the student body whom they should select has met with much opposition from many students.

The students say that unless the ac-tion of their governing body should be re-voked they will refuse to take up athletics, while on the other hand the faculty stands determined to call off all athletic contests unless its regulations are fol-

compromise, will likely be affected some time during the coming week. Laubeand a number of men who are close-Laube and a number of men who are close-ly associated with athletics intend to do everything within their power, so that a definite understanding may be reached which will be satisfactory to both parties. The possibilities for success on the track and on the baseball diamond were never brighter than at the present, and if the existing difficulty is overcome the university will go after the champion-ship of the Spring sports full of hope. Professor Van der Vere, who has al-

ways had charge of the training of the track men, has decided that he will not be able this year to look after the boys, as his duties in his department have been greatly increased. For the last three years the professor has been noted for the large number of fast men he has developed in the 199-yard dash, the 220-yard, the 440 yard and the half-mile run. Every old man will feel exceptionally sorry to see Professor Van der Vere give up the work.

The man who stands next in favor is J. Knight, who coached so successfully last season's football team. Mr. Knight is an all-round athlete, and if he is en-gaged an agreement will be made to secure his services for both buseball and

With rowing, little will be done, as the varsity is not in a financial condition to begin the sport this Spring. In this di-vision of athletics Knight has his best recommendations and best records. It is the sincere hope of every one that by the coming year the university will be able to take up this truest of sports.

PROSPECTS ARE BRIGHT.

Washington Agricultural College Will Have Winning Track Team. WASHINGTON AGRICULTURAL COL-LEGE, Pullman, Feb, 8.—(Special.)— Active training has commenced, at the Washington Agricultural College, for

washington Agricultural College, for buseball and track events. Captain Barnard and Colich Lougheed are rapidly selecting the best material from the large squad of aspirants out for places on the biseball team. Many mem-bers of last year's team are back, and are out trying for positions Miller last out trying for positions. Miller, last year's catcher, will be found at his old position; but for the pitching staff, there are several new candidates. Among the likely ones are Wallace, Lasher, Worley and Parker, The make-up of the infield is rather uncertain as yet, except the initial bag, which will be held down by Captain Barnard. For positions in the outfield, Stuht, Thorpe and Anderson are old players and are trying hard to get their positions.

The prospects for a good track team were never better, nearly 50 men being hard at work in the gymnasium every day. Captain Person has divided the men into two divisions, one being made up of the men trying-out for field events, the other consisting of those who are trying for track work. Among the strong men in the first group are such likely athletes as Burke, Lasher, Thomie, Rehorn, Goodwin, Proff, Brooks and Captain Person Some of the promising candidates in the running and jumping events are Godman, Cowgill, Pare, Rosenoff, Maloney, Sopp, Anderson, Woods, Rodgers, Parker. It is proposed this year to secure a meet with the University of Oregon, and Manager Turner is bending every effort to arrange the financial end of the matter. This year it is the turn of the local team to go to Scettle and meet the team from the University Seattle and meet the team from the University of Washington.

BIG STAKES AT BRIGHTON. \$70,000 in Premium List for the Meeting in August.

NEW YORK, Feb. 8.—C. A. McCully, secretary of the New York Trotting Association, announces the stakes for the grand circuit meeting at Brighton Beach next August. There are five stakes valued at \$45,000, the largest am offered at any one meeting for light harness horses.

The richest prize is the Bonner Memo-rial, for 2:12 trotters, which has a guar-anteed value of \$20,000, double the amount given last year. The Brighton, for 2:10 pacers, is also increased to twice its amount in 1902, and is now worth \$10,000. Three other purses for 2:30 trotters, 2:20 pacers and 2:25 class, open to 4-year-old trotters, are fixed at \$5000 each. Entries for these five contests will close on March Some 13 other classes will be arranged later, bringing the total premium list to at least \$70,000. All these early closing races are on the Brighton Beach plan of sending nonwinners to the stable after three heats. The events probably will be best two in three heats.

all the fertilizers from the stables direct to the grass sod and spread at once, as by this method the formation of humus Commissions on California Races Accepted, Portland Club Cafe, 130 Fifth street. Direct from the tracks. is going on continually, but of course the

Baseball Notes.

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Pitcher Thatcher, who has been signed by Manager Vigney from the New York

Manager Vigney from both the President and best method that I know of to replenish promises from both the President and to leave San Francisco for Portland this evening, accompanied by his manager, Hart, of Chicago. Speaking of the two men, George Siler says:

"When Jimmy Britt defeated Frank Erne and drew the color line on Joe Gans it was thought he would grow stale for the want of something to do in the walloping business. Recently, however, he has been besieged with chailenges. The first fling taken at him was by 'Kid' Parker, at one time a champion Manager Vigneux from the New York factor is gypsum, or land plaster. Of the part that land plaster takes as a fertil-izer none of the scientists agree, and none of their theories seem to stand criti-cism. Baron Liebig showed by experi-ment that the sulphuric acid of the gypsum became resolved into sulphate of ammonia and the lime became carbonate

Concerning the signing of Fred Weed, crack first baseman of the 1902 Portland team, the Cleveland Plain Denler says: "Weed, the outfielder secured by Armour from the Portland club of the Pacliic Northwest League, evidently has not been scared by the threats of President Lucas, of that league, that he would be fined \$1000 if he persisted in playing out side the little North vestern organization during the season of 1968, as Armour received a letter yesterday from Weed say ing that he would surely report at New Orleans on time. Weed is Wintering at his hope in California, and wrote to ask the date of reporting, saying that he did not want to be late."

Utah's Tackle Goes to Pennsylvania. SALT LAKE, Feb. 8.—Joe Zilligan, the big tackle of the University of Utah football eleven, and regarded as one of the fastest men that ever played in the West, left last night for Philadelphia, where he will take up a four-year course of study at the University of Pennsylvania. Zilligan will try for a position on the Pennsylvania Varsity eleven. Zilligan's work last season attracted much attention, and local Pennsylvania alumni have been cor-

Boxer Broke His Thumb. The spectators of the Multnomah boxins

responding for some time with the view to having him enter the Eastern institution,

ournament, and the friends of Frank Watkins, will be sorry to learn that he suffered a fracture of his thumb in the match on Saturday evening with French. The fight between these two boxers was in the lightweight class, and lasted three rounds. At the end, French was declared the winner, and Watkins was in such bad condition that he withdrew from a match

Association Circuit Not Decided. CHICAGO, Feb. 8 .- The American As sociation owners, after a session of sev-eral hours today, finally adjourned until

tomorrow, without reaching any decision regarding the question of circuit. Ac ording to President Hickey the invasion of Chicago was not discussed today. It can be said on good authority that, barwill remain the same as it was last season

Corvallia Defeats McMinnville. OREGON AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE Corvallis, Feb. 8.—(Special.)—In a basket-ball game played here last evening, the team from the Oregon Agricultural Col-lege defeated the team from McMinnville College by a score of 30 to 4.

Instructor May Go to Wisconsin. SALT LAKE, Feb. 8.-Harvey Holmes instructor of athletics at the University of Uath, has been offered complete charge of college athletics at the University of Wisconsin for the Summer term.

Rickreall Wins at Mc.dinnville. M'MINNVILLE, Or., Feb. 8.—(Special.) —The Rickreall basket-ball team rolled up a score of 12 to 6 in a match game

High Schools to Debate. EUGENE, Or., Feb. 8.-(Special.)-Ar-

Roseburg and Eugene High Schools for a competitve debate, Managers Dixon, of Roseburg, and Evans, of Eugene, having made final details yesterday. The debate, according to agreement, will be held in Roseburg.

THE INCREASE OF HUMUS Practical Suggestions From a Prac-

tical Man on the Subject.

PORTLAND, Feb. 5 .- (To the Editor.)would like to say a few things on the subject of how to increase the amount of humus in our Valley soils, in the most economical manner, First, humus is a vegetable carbon, formed in the soil by the growth and decay of plants, and every fertile soil is found to posess a large quantity of it. Constant cropping our Valley soil to grain without rotation or other crops has greatly reduced its humus and consequently reduced the ability of the soil to return to the agriculturist so great a grain crop as it used to 20 or 30 years ago. How shall we best reproduce this humus in the soil? is the idea your writer would like to present to your readers. Humus is not a plant food it-self. It is a retainer of the essentials for plant growth, such as moisture, nitro-gen, etc., and it is destroyed. tion and exposure to the sun's rays. Hence it requires to be reproduced by the

TALKS LEWIS AND CLARK

DESCENDANT OF THE EXPLORER SPEAKS OF 1905 FAIR.

This Centennial Exposition Enterprise Is Now Attracting Attention in the East.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, Feb. 4.-The Lewis and Clark Exposition is fast coming to the notice of the people of the East, and one of its most cornect advocates and most successful advertisers resides here in Washington. At his instance the Washington Post recent ly printed the following story regarding the 1905 Exposition and relative topics: The expositions which are being planned for St. Louis in 1994 and in Portland in 1995 have awakened interest in the families of the Nation's two great expanisionists, Captain Meriwether Lewis and Captain William Clark, who, with a party of 45, were the first white

OFFICERS OF THE CHINESE YOUNG PEOPLE'S ASSOCIATION

photograph shows the officers. In the top row rending from right to left are: Lee Hong, second secretary; Chan Quong, vice-

sident; Chan Hong, second treasurer. In the lower row are: James Kan, secretary-treasurer; and C. P. Hule, president.

temporarily residing at 1606 K street, in this city. Major Clark has devoted him-self to a study of the exploration of Lewis

and Clark and the incidents which led

up to their overland trip to the Pacific Coast, and has given to historians of re-

cent days much information which had

been carefully guarded in the family

Unless something unforeseen interferes

President Roosevelt and Major Clark will have an important part in the opening of the Lewis and Clark Centennial Exposi-

Major Clark that they would attend and

participate, if not unavoidably prevented

Regrets Lack of Records. "I regard it as lamentable," said Major Clark, to a reporter for the Post, "that comparatively little was recorded of the Lewis and Clark expedition. Two years

ago Mrs. Eva Emery Dye, the Oregon historian, called upon me at Detroit, in her search for information regarding the

expedition, and she related to me some

humorous experiences. At Boston she was unable to find anything beyond the

Government reports. She was taken to the Washington elm, Longfellow's house, the galleries of art, and graveyards of Revolutionary heroes, the old tombs of the Franklins and John Hancock, and Otis and Adams, and Paul Revere, and

even to the lowly mound of Mother Goose, but nobody knew anything about Lewis and Clark.

"Mrs Dye went to Philadelphia and called at the office of the Historical So-ciety and found that the librarian in charge had never heard of Lewis and Clark, and another officer said that there

must be some mietake, as there were no

documents in Philadelphia bearing upon Lewis and Clark expedition. At Inde

pendence Hall the curator knew nothing

of Lewis and Clark or of the existence of journals of the expedition. Going over to

the rooms of the American Philosophical

Society, she made another effort. The secretary of the society said the journals

were in the archives, but insisted that they had been locked up for 100 years. 'The last man that saw them,' the secre-

from doing so.

lands that are poor in humus, and by ex- | keener interest than Major William Han-

periment I have found that the only safe cock Clark, the eldest son of the eldest way to apply it is on a grass sod. Then son of Captain William Clark, who is now

the infiltration of its contents by the rains

stimulates the growth of root fibers, even

when the temperature and season is not favorable to top growth. This greatly increases the humus, and at the same time makes a very safe filter to hold the

valuable part of the manure, and the re-

sult is a great increase of crop.

I find the best way to do is to haul

vetch, but in doing this a very necessary

of lime by the action of air and rain

water, and, although the sulphate of am-monia is a very good fertilizer, both to

grains and grasses, yet by actual experi-ment gypsum has no beneficial effect on grains. Its beneficial action seems to be

confined to plants that possess bacteria

germs that have been proved by our Ex-periment Stations to possess the power

of feeding on atmospheric nitrogen, such

We know that by applying from 50 to 160

pounds of land plaster per acre to these crops in late Winter or early Spring it will increase their yield two and even

threefold, and consequently the amount of humus will be correspondingly in-creased, and, taking into consideration

the value of that humus as a retainer of

the nitrogen gathered by those plants, one can easily see that clover, tares and

land plaster are the mediums whereby our

fertility.

very great degree

soils can be brought up to their original

Professor Cyril G. Hopkins, of the Uni-

versity of Illinois, says there is as much nitrogen exposed to one square inch of

the earth's surface as is contained in one ton of ordinary farmyard manure, and

the commercial value of nitrogen as a fertilizer is about 15 cents per pound. I find the application of 100 pounds of land

up to the very highest state of fertility

without even grubbing and plowing them. When this is properly understood we shall soon fill our Valley soil with humus and

FAVOR WIDENING HIGHWAY

Will Connect Columbia Slough, Base

Line, Section, Powell and Foster.

of Union Church, East Mount Tabor, the

road meeting, which was to have been

held there Saturday night, was postponed,

However, E. N. Stevens, of the commit-

tee, eays that good progress is being made

for the widening of the county cross

road to a uniform width of 50 feet be-

tween the Section and Columbia Slough

roads. Between the Section and the Bas

Line roads, he says, all the property-

owners except two have signed a petition for the widening. They will be a petition

for the widening. They will have to give about 20 feet from their yards to permit

The movement now is to open the cross-road through to the Columbia Slough, which will make it over three miles long, and make it one of the most important

thoroughfares in the county. It intersects
the Columbia Slough, the Barr, Base
Line, Section, Powell, Foster, and makes
connection with the Oregon City road.
Another important feature of this movement is that this road will touch the fac-

tory spur from the main line of the O. R. & N. where it intersects the Barr road.

The spur was secured and a strip 1500x100 was donated for it, in the hope that factories might be induced to locate on the

tories might be induced to locate out to land adjoining. Of course it would be necessary to have connection with all the county roads at the spur, and if the cross-

road be widened and improved as de there will be a connection.

On account of the unfinished condition

THOMAS WITHYCOMBE.

known country. They passed the head-waters of the Missouri and then started directly west over the continental divide. bird could get its vest outside of such The traditions of the expedition say that the men were many times reduced to the verge of starvation, and when they reached the mouth of the Columbia River their moccasins and clothes were torn to tatters, their ammunition exhausted, and nearly every member of the party almost disabled from the hardships of the trip. Major Clark, the grandson of Captain Clark, has had peculiar honors heaped upon him. He is the eldest son of the eldest son, and a hereditary descendant of an officer of the Revolutionary War, so that he is entitled to be a member of one of the Cincinnati and Aziec societies. For several years he was one of the members of the Board of Surveys, Collectors and Appraisers at the port of New York, and is now being prominently mentioned for a Government appointment to work of the same character in New York.

FEAST OF THE ROBINS.

An Annual Banquet With All Acces

PORTLAND, Feb. 7 .- (To the Editor.) -Perhaps one of the most interesting, harmonious and largely attended ban for plant growth, such as moisture, nitrogen, etc., and it is destroyed by oxidation and exposure to the sun's rays. Hence it requires to be reproduced by the successful farmer. I find it is a great growth and successful farmer. I find it is a great growth and successful farmer. I find it is a great growth and successful farmer. I find it is a great growth and successful farmer. I find it is a great growth and successful farmer is a retainer of the essentials with a party of s. were the first wind and quests of its kind ever witnessed in Portland was held on Sunday last on the restland was held on S quets of its kind ever witnessed in Port-

quantities of food in so short a time.

Observing as we did these happy creatures from 7 A. M. till after sundown, ample time was given wherein to note their queer operations. After eating sev-eral berries they would fly to the neighboring trees seemingly to rest and give a little time for digestion. But soon back they came to the tempting red fruit -apparently as hungry as ever. The trees bearing the berries are fully 20 feet high with wide, spreading branches, a mass of red in the morning, but were stripped of their fruit at the close of the day. their truit at the close of the day.

Certainly every member of the robin family within the city limits was present at this festival, and if any were over-looked in first invitations, messengers were dispatched to bring the forgotter ones to the feast. To see 900 or more robins gathered upon the trees of a single block, is a sight well worth witnessing, and is largely due to the efforts of the Human Society in protecting the birds of our city and state. Without birds insect would soon destroy all fruit and veg-etable products of the earth. Few persons care for birds or the brute creatures which contribute so largely to man's com sories Graphically Described. forts and needs, and simply because they fail to study their habits and usefulness enjoyment to all lovers of birds. Spring is now approaching our lawns will soon be covered with these welcome mes-

Cor. Sec. Oregon Humane Society.

The Chicago at Naples.

NAPLES, Feb. 8.—Rear-Admiral Crown-nshield, aboard his flagship, the cruiser hicago, arrived here today from Algiera He will proceed to Alexandria and return here later. It is reported that he will be back here for the gathering of the Italian and Russian fleets on the occasion of the Czar's coming visit.

AT THE HOTELS.

HOTEL PORTLAND.

A A Jacob & w, N Y H A Munson, San F C E De Camp & w, Los Ang C S Jones, Phila N Glipin, N Y E L Howe, Chro H Gotzian, St Paul W M O'Donnell, do Max Wolf, Cincinnati Don McKay, Denver E T Smith, Chgo E V Welles, do L C Pond, Denver T Thosmore, Phila W H Crowell, San F H F Dott, do T H Sherwood, N Y H S Hogan, San F H S Hogan, San F W S Garrett, do T H Sherwood, N Y U S A W D Gray, Milwaukee E Stoddard, San F W D Gray, Milwaukee E Stoddard, San F W Read, Oakland, Cal Miss Nina Larowe, city H H Dearborn, Seattle G A Brooke, do THE PERKINS. HOTEL PORTLAND.

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tary said, 'and, in my opinion, the only man that has ever had access to them in 100 years, was Dr. Elliott Coues some years ago.' She failed, however in the attempt to inspect the journais, the secplaster per acre on my old stump pas tures during January and February will bring up a rank growth of native and white clover, and I am certain by sowing retary insisting that he could permit the vetches and land plaster on our old, worn-out stump pastures we can bring then investigation only under a special dis-pensation from the society, given at a

regular meeting.

Indians Interested. "I consider it very flattering, however, that people generally are now showing interest in the events of those ploneer days. In the last year or so several monuments have been erected to the two lead-

ers of the expedition, and I am just in-formed that a bill has been introduced in the Indiana Legislature to provide an appropriation of \$5000 for a statue George Rogers Clark, Captain Clark's brother, who led the famous Kaskaskia march in Illinois, and even marched to

Detroit in his successful operations against the British. The bill contemplates placing the statue in Statuary Hall at the Lewis and Clark completed their trip to the Pacific Coast on November 7, 1895, and, returning, they arrived in St. Louis September 23, 1896. The enterprise was not inaugurated in the spirit of advenfor gain, but was the result of careful, deliberate planning and prepara-tion, under the direction of President Jefferson, with the object of discovering an overland route to the Western Coast.

They had no authentic maps. No coute was assigned them, and they started out anticipating Indian savagery and treachery. Equipped with mathematical instruments, arms, ammunition, presents for the Indians, medicine, and necessary camp equipage, and with three small boats the party set out from St. Louis on May 14, 1804. They ascended the Missouri 14. 1994. They ascended the Missouri River, encountering various Indian tribes, holding friendly pow-wows with them, giving them presents, and with much difficulty establishing peace with the tribes. After traveling 1600 miles they made their camp for the Winter in the territory which is now North Dakota, remaining there 414 months.

Endured Many Hardships. In the Spring, after dispatching 14 men back to St. Louis with documents, trophies and collections, the diminished party continued the journey into the un-

oss to apply farmyard manure to fallow of the historic expedition, none feels a as 7 A. M., all uniformly and strikingly clothed, both male and female, in soft, warm gray jackets and dark red vests. The writer, aithough on uninvited guest, was permitted to view the remarkable scene from his window, which looks out upon two large hawthorn trees which were loaded in profusion with red berries, and upon these trees the joyous children of the air were rapidly assembling. They came in squads and companies until the trees on the entire block were covered with guests awaiting their turn at the feast. The first arrivals were promptly announced by shrill notes from the throats of these feathery instruments, and by 2 o'clock fully 500 banqueters had arrived and joined in the sumptuous feast. Short impromptu speeches, interspersed with-little dittles, enlivened the scene, yet eat, eat, eat. And eat they did. The fruit was equal in size to a cranberry, and

when grasped in the mouths of these hundreds of robins extended their bills like a pair of open scissors, and in their efforts to crush the berries presented a laughable sight. We have attended clambakes where one's capacity astonished one's self, and have heard of the German and his 30 or 40 glasses of beer at a sit-ting, but for rapacity and capacity of appetite, Robin Redbreast takes the cake It seemed incredible that so small

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