

SPORTS



RETIREMENT OF HAL POINTER.

Great Pacer Will Spend Remainder of His Days in Ease.

Hal Pointer (3044), the hero of a hundred turf struggles, arrived at the Village Farm, near Buffalo, N. Y., recently, and now occupies a paddock and a roomy box stall in the establishment to which he has brought considerable glory and a goodly amount of the coin of the realm. His purchase by Harry Hamlin, the junior proprietor of the farm, which was recorded some days ago, marks the closing of an epoch in his career, and the famous son of Tom Hal and Sweepstakes, dam of the present champion, Star Pointer (1394), will probably never again be brought to the attention of the public, save when death claims him.

Hal Pointer was a product of Tennessee, the home of the racing horse, and in his early days was used by Captain Henry Pointer, of Spring Hill, for saddle purposes, an effort to train him as a year-old having proved futile. Captain Pointer was one of the leading lights in the Presbyterian Church of that village, and being requested to give a donation to wipe out the debt of the church, presented Hal Pointer to his Presbyterian brethren, with the understanding that he was to be sold for \$50, and the proceeds devoted to church uses. Ed Geers, then training a

BOWLERS AND BOWLING

SUMMARY OF RESULTS IN RECENT "BIG-FOUR" CONTEST.

Work of Teams in That and the Association Competition Not Quite Up to Fond Expectation.

Owing to the fact that a number of the clubs participating in the recent interclub tournaments are slow in sending in their official summaries of detailed scores, and the large amount of work involved in its preparation, the bulletins of the Bowling Association will be delayed considerably longer this year than usual, and will be much larger than any heretofore issued by the association.

The final summary of the "Big-Four" contest has been completed. The standing on pins of the leaders was published some time ago. The summary shows that the Y. M. C. A. team led in percentage as well as on pins, having a team percentage of 313. Illhece was third in scores, but second in percentage, with 250; The Dalles' total showing 275; Astoria shows an even .400 per cent. Y. M.

GROWTH OF BASKET-BALL

MOST POPULAR OF INDOOR SPORTS FOR YOUNG WOMEN.

Interest in the Game Steadily Increasing in Both the East and West—Three Sets of Rules.

If one were to name the indoor sport to which women are most devoted, writes Frances A. Keller in the Chicago Tribune, it would undoubtedly be basketball. Almost without exception the Eastern colleges have teams. This includes such institutions as Smith, Wellesley, Oberlin, Bryn Mawr, Cornell and many Normal Schools. In Chicago all the teams play outside teams, except the University of Chicago. In the East only Cornell and Syracuse exchange games, the other universities and colleges being content with class games. The normal and training schools permit outside games in the East.

In any game in which women indulge there is a keener question of merits and defeats, and basketball by no means escapes the rule. Women have three ways of playing basketball; man only one. And many of the institutions are at strife, contending for their special way. The one most in vogue is the game as played by men under the Spalding rules. This requires five players on a side, and permits the snatching or snapping the ball from another player's hands. This is in use in the High School League.

Sweet Spring.

Sweet spring is but a little way. The lambs will soon begin to play—The dead. Old Tom of Winter soon will lie O'erspread. By green grass, and the April sky Will stretch above us as by and by. The dandelion's face will glow. The winds will gladden as they blow, And Cupid's dart will freely fly.

The waiting buds will soon begin To sport. The brooks will laugh as winding in And out. They hurry onward to the sea; The shout. Of him who will the will will be Re-echoed back from hill to lee, And then the man who guide once more Will scarf and frolic as of yore. And vent his feelings honestly.—S. E. Kiser, in Chicago Times-Herald.

Proposed Bench Show.

The Portland Kennel Club has, at last, received authority from the Pacific League to proceed with the proposed bench show, to be held in this city. Delays at headquarters have somewhat hampered the club, and changed its plans. The original intention was to hold the bench show early in March, in time to intercept the California dogs, on their way to the shows in the North. However, since Tacoma has set its show for the first week in April; Seattle and Vancouver, for about the middle of April, and San Francisco, for March 2, the Portland club has decided to exhibit during the open week, the last in April.

The membership of the club is most encouraging, the list now containing over 50 names—those of all enthusiastic dog owners and lovers, and as the intentions of the club are becoming better known, still other names are being added, and Secretary Taylor has a busy time of it. All classes and conditions of dogs will be in the proposed show, from the saucy and simple little "black and tan" to the grave and reverend mastiff. Local dogs will be living in clover for the next six weeks, as the grooming and grooming process has already begun. The prize list is now in preparation, and will be ready for distribution in a short time. As this will be the first bench show held in the city for several years, its promoters should meet with all commendation and encouragement.

Field Sports Redivivous.

This year field sports will undoubtedly have a decided revival. Already plans are being formulated by the different clubs to put strong teams in the field. Y. M. C. A. will hold a field day about May 1, and the Valley college, High School, Portland Academy and Bishop Scott Academy athletes will be invited to compete. The thorough course of training during this winter in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium contests has developed a number of sprinters and jumpers who should make a good showing against the college and scholastic men.

At the Multnomah Club, a call has been issued for all intending out-door men to hand in their names at once. The athletic committee will provide every facility for training, and will lend special encouragement to novices. A series of weekly handicap contests will be held, beginning Saturday, April 7, and pins and medals will be awarded as prizes. Swimming matches for the junior members of the M. A. C. will be held in the tank at the clubhouse during March. The juniors will be divided into two classes, and the trials will be contested March 11 and 12, in class time, the semi-

FOUGHT WITH BROKEN RIB.

Choyznaki Forced to Meet Walcott, Under Protest—He Was Unfit.

It is claimed that Joe Choyznaki, the California heavy-weight pugilist, was utterly unfit to fight Joe Walcott, the other day in New York, on account of a broken rib, with which he went into the ring, against the advice of his physician and friends, and that he was practically forced to fight by those who managed the contest in order that money might be made by betting against him. In other words, it is charged that a big steal was perpetrated, and that Choyznaki's unwillingness to fight was the reason for Walcott's easy victory over him. That is the reason why Walcott, so much lighter and shorter than Choyznaki, had the latter blinded, staggering around the ring, helplessly groping for the ropes, while the blood poured from him, when, two minutes and thirty-eight seconds of the seventh round had passed.

According to the New York World, when Choyznaki went into the ring his body was tightly wrapped with surgeon's tape to support a broken rib. Every time he breathed he suffered excruciating pain, and when he tried to protect his jaw the "black avenger" smashed him on the ribs. Walcott alternated his tactics, one round playing for the jaw, the next for the body. Tom O'Rourke, who in Walcott's corner, men near that corner distinctly heard O'Rourke ordering Walcott to direct his blows at Choyznaki's body. Walcott, however, was in Walcott's corner, Choyznaki had shown the fracture, bound up, to O'Rourke and to Tim Sullivan, in proof of his statement that he was unfit to fight.

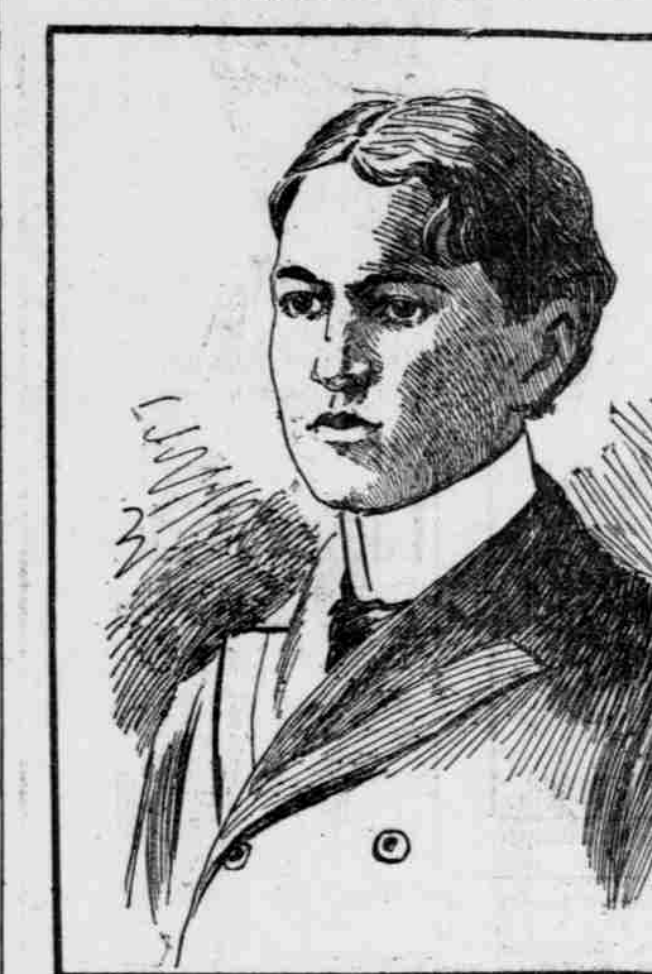
Choyznaki has the reputation among sporting men of being a "square" as he is "game." He knew he had no more chance than a 3-year-old sick child would have against the gaita-percha black from Barbadoes. For, besides his broken rib, the Californian had a severe attack of the grip.

These statements are not the excuses of a defeated man. Dr. Joseph Muir, 41 West Thirty-sixth street, New York, absolutely confirms them. Choyznaki was and is Dr. Muir's patient. Dr. Muir is treating him for his fractured rib, a floating one on the left side, and for the grip. "Choyznaki never should have gone into that ring," said Dr. Muir. "I strongly advised him against it, for I think a great deal of him."

The management of the Broadway Athletic Club knew Choyznaki's exact condition. It is claimed. Choyznaki asked the management before the fight to declare all bets off. It was not done. But all those "on the inside" quietly took the odds of 5 to 1 on Choyznaki, the natural odds if the Californian was in condition.

Choyznaki was forced to fight. He showed his broken rib to the managers of the club, and then they agreed to give him 75 per cent of the gate receipts to take a blocking. One argument of the management that weighed heavily with Choyznaki was that his nonappearance would hurt the Horton law by disappointing the spectators, and that "his own game would be forfeit" if he did not show. "An advertisement" for the club was also mentioned. A \$500 forfeit of Choyznaki's, which he had put up to show his good faith in making another match with McCoy. Choyznaki couldn't get the \$500 back. These and similar reasons urged on Choyznaki caused him

EUGENE'S FOOTBALL MANAGER.



L. L. GOODRICH, '01.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Managers of the University of Oregon Athletic Club Luke L. Goodrich was re-elected football manager for the season of 1900. The election of an assistant manager was postponed until the next meeting. Mr. Goodrich was manager of the "varity eleven" last autumn, and conducted the work of the season in a highly satisfactory manner. His election is so honorably due him, and the State University looks forward to another successful year under his management. Mr. Goodrich is a graduate of the Normal School at Monmouth. His home is at North Yamhill.

stable at Columbus, Tenn., heard of the horse and purchased him, in partnership with Mr. Steele.

Pointer had a will of his own and proved far from tractable subject to prepare for the races. His gait was not perfect, and it took all Geers' ability to balance him. When Geers went to the races in 1888 he left the horse in charge of a colored groom, who drove him a mile in 1:43 before Geers returned. Later Geers stopped him a mile in 2:18, and for the first time he gave promise of his glorious future. That Fall he made his first bow to the public at Columbus, where he lost a six-heat race to Engineer, winning two heats and taking a record of 2:24. Two days later he won a five-heat race, lowering his racing career for that season.

In 1889 he made his debut on Eastern tracks and won races at Columbia, Cleveland, Buffalo, Hartford, Springfield, New York and St. Louis, pacing close down to the snow the year before.

C. A. got the high single game, 273, and The Dalles the low one, 113. On wild The Astoria leads with 107, Illhece following closely with 94. The Dalles got but 82, and Y. M. C. A. 42. The record on "centers" is: Y. M. C. A., 178; Illhece, 258; The Dalles, 275; Astoria, 157. On "edges" it is: Y. M. C. A., 25; Illhece, 35; The Dalles, 32; Astoria, 45. "Hit kingpin" Y. M. C. A., 396; Illhece, 358; The Dalles, 344; Astoria, 312. "Strikes and spares": Y. M. C. A., 444 and 391; Illhece, 425 and 329; The Dalles, 415 and 280; Astoria, 371 and 399. "Strikes and spares lost": Y. M. C. A., 35 and 109; Illhece, 51 and 129; The Dalles, 51 and 150; Astoria, 53 and 155.

In individual performance, Whitteasey, of Y. M. C. A., ranks first, although holding sixth place in scores, with 28 games bowled. Barker, of Illhece, is second, and leads all who bowled the entire contest. Cullison, of The Dalles, is third, and also got the most wild balls, 59; Barker, of Illhece, easily led on "centers," with 82; Mays, of The Dalles, secured the most "edges," with 23, but was closely pushed by D'Arcy, of Illhece; Wise, of Astoria, and Schmidt, of The Dalles, who scored 19 each. Baldwin, of The Dalles, leads on "hit kingpin" with 185; Barker, of Illhece, is second, with 171; Berger, of Y. M. C. A., scored 85 strikes, and is high in that column. On "spares," Dovey, of Astoria, is first with 82.

Bradshaw, of The Dalles, and Hoyt, of Illhece, tie for first place in "strikes lost," with 23 each, and Mays, of The Dalles, is first with 82.

AMONG CHESS PLAYERS.

Planning for Matches With England and Oxford and Cambridge.

Stanley H. Chadwick, the Secretary of the Brooklyn (N. Y.) Chess Club, has announced that the club's cable match committee has picked these ten players to constitute the American team in the contest against England: S. W. Bampton, Philadelphia; J. F. Barry, Boston; E. Delmar, New York; A. B. Hodges, Staten Island; E. Hymes, New York; F. J. Marshall, Brooklyn; C. J. Newman, Philadelphia; H. N. Pillsbury, Philadelphia; J. W. Shonk, Georgetown, Ky., and G. C. Voltz, Philadelphia. Substitutes: E. E. Southard and G. H. Walcott, both of Boston. Two changes have been made from last year, Delmar and Hampton replacing Baird, of New York, and Johnston, of Chicago.

The chess players of Columbia, Harvard, Yale and Princeton Universities are preparing for the annual cable match with Oxford and Cambridge, which is set down

ON THE GOLF LINKS—THE RETORT COURTEOUS.



The Major-General (waiting to drive, to girl carrying baby, who blocks the way)—Now, then, hurry on, please, with that baby. Girl—Garn! I play myself, playing at ball: here in your knickerbockers an' all—Punch.

takes high place on "spares lost," with 32. The highest four-game total was made by Berger, Y. M. C. A., 266; the lowest by McGowan, Astoria, and Stadelman, of The Dalles, 115 each. The highest single game was scored by Kurtz, of The Dalles, 65, and the lowest, 30, by Schmidt, of The Dalles, and Hughes, of Illhece. The best sub-series percentage, 192, was made by Berger, Y. M. C. A., and Baldwin, The Dalles. The highest team four-game total, 4008, was made by Y. M. C. A.; the lowest, 775, by The Dalles. The showing made by all the teams in the "Big Four" was much poorer than was expected before the contest began.

The same may be said of the Association championship, where the work of the teams was a great disappointment in every respect. There was but little in-

New Men Brought Out.

Of the new men brought out in this event, Nelson, "the terrible Swede," of the Seattle Athletic Club, is entitled to a high place as a bowler. He has done fine work on every alley in the association, something never before accomplished by a slow-ball bowler, and has established for himself a reputation, which he gives every promise of being able to maintain. Huggins, Hurston, Baldwin, and Sauls are the bowlers just what many bowlers has done before; that is, shown that, although a slow ball will at times do remarkable work, it cannot be depended upon, unless the bowler is entirely away from the home alleys. However, it can be truthfully said that all these players did much better than has been done heretofore, with the same delivery.

"Dad" Harrison has, as usual, finished well along towards the top of the list, and is but a pin or two behind "99 James" Barragar, of the S. C. A. team, who is one of the most accurate bowlers in the Northwest, but who persists in ruining his average by bowling a ball that is about three times as swift as it should be, and no one else would touch it. "Fido" is a member of the Multnomah "Fimmie" team, and is a bowler with a slower delivery, and nobody here can understand why he will persist in staying with the fast ball, which he must know is detrimental to his standing. All things considered, Darlington, of S. B. C., is the most promising man of all the new men brought out this year, and it is believed that he will show the way to the interclub team all by the end of another season.

On February 25, Pickering, Cullison, Buckman and Dilbeck, with very high total, won for the third time in succession, the team medals of the Multnomah Club, and are entitled to permanent possession. The games were big ones all around, and the secret team is entitled to much credit for having won them against such heavy odds. New medals have been provided by the club, and the contests continue usual. A Monday night "Cullison" failure, Cheney and Holmes were the winners, by six pins, over Brigham's team. The team average of the winners was almost 40, and the lowest team was above 42.

Dr. F. Cauthorn, one of the pioneer bowlers of the Multnomah Club, and who has been the strong man on its championship team during all the interclub contests, left Portland for Tucson, Ariz., a short time ago. On the day preceding his departure, the members of the Multnomah team presented him with an elegant gold watch, as a token of their personal regard. The present was greatly appreciated by the recipient, who leaves behind him a host of friends, who wish him success in his new field. His departure leaves a vacancy among the expert bowlers which it will be difficult to fill.

Roughness and Fatigue.

In a game requiring such a tremendous expenditure of energy as basket-ball does, two things must be guarded against—roughness and overfatigue. Often the coach can prevent this, but the method of playing is of importance. Smith, Radcliffe and Oberlin, in their movement for the line ball, complained of both results, and, instead of working off a small court and preventing wild running, they used the whole court, and the result was to be boundary lines. Wellesley and the University of Chicago have not experienced such results. At Chicago in the two years only one substitute has been put on the field, and no serious injuries have been sustained.

With women the tendency in athletics, as in study, is to overdo. This tendency is more noticeable in High Schools. In the colleges each girl must qualify for basketball upon the certificate of a physician, and her condition is more carefully noted. In the High Schools there is less of such supervision. There is more enthusiasm and less caution in the playing. With less supervision in the High Schools, as in the colleges, there has been no question as to the benefit of the game to the interest is already assured to both players and spectators.

First in importance in benefits is the physical, and in gaining some girls have never learned to play, and are awkwardness itself when they begin. They learn to control the body, to avoid injuries, to coordinate the physical actions. Basketball develops greater freedom of movement by reason of the freedom of movement which it necessitates. The game keeps alive the play instinct, a cardinal to common inspiration or original work, and so essential in the home with children. On the mental side is brought out more tolerance of each other, yielding to decisions of officials in a sportsmanlike way, better self-control, more independence of thought and action. Certainly the mental co-ordination becomes better, for thinking and doing must naturally simulate each other in the skillful player. College spirit, loyalty, a deeper sympathetic interest, are brought out.

Girls, You Know!

Girls less than boys play games, and they lack the community of interest developed by them. Men often complain that women do not patronize the football games. It isn't always so much the financial question as that games and the competitive spirit do not arouse the loyalty and interest which would exist if they knew the experience of playing. Women more than men are deficient in the mental qualities named, and no amount of Caesar, Virgil or calculus will develop them.

In order for basket-ball to gain the place due it, there must be, especially in women's games, better officials. Men who are strict in umpiring or refereeing for men insist upon few of the requirements in women's games. Arrangements about scores, timekeepers, etc., are made at haphazard. Close umpiring is almost never the result, with the further result that the executive, orderly, businesslike game becomes disorderly confusion. In coaching they often permit hard playing and loose construction of rules where the reverse should be true. Using a consistent application of the rule in a game, one mother of a defeated player scored me, saying: "Your ruling isn't fair; the girls haven't been trained carefully, and the boys' been explained. They are girls, you know."

HAPPENINGS IN SPORTDOM

Collapse of Cycling and Baseball Warfare in the East—Local Activity in Various Fields.

The League of American Wheelmen, at their National Assembly, held in Philadelphia, in the latter part of February, relinquished all control over racing and gave up the task of controlling the amateurs, leaving a clean field for its rival, the National Cycling Association. The N. C. A. has been in existence but about a year, but the men at the head of its affairs soon made their influence felt. The object of the Association is to control the racing interests of professional racemen and to be the authority for the amateurs. The war was short, sharp and fierce.

The rebuke, as the N. C. A. was called, upon the opening of the racing circuit last season, were well equipped for the fight, treated the racing men right, and soon had a large following. The best race meets of the year were held under the N. C. A. control, as a consequence. The L. A. W. seeing that its power over the professional had vanished, wisely decided to drop the racing game and to devote itself entirely to its primary object—the benefit of the rider for pleasure, by legislation for good roads, by direction of touring parties and resultant better accommodation for the wheelman. Officers for the year were elected as follows:

Officers Elected.

President, Comoro W. Sams, Maryland; first vice-president, R. T. Kingsbury, New Hampshire; second vice-president, A. D. Choate, Minnesota; secretary, Abbott Bassett, of Boston; treasurer, James C. Tallent, New Jersey; auditing committee, Clarence W. Small, Maine; Aaron Wolfson, Massachusetts; T. M. Skilla, Maryland.

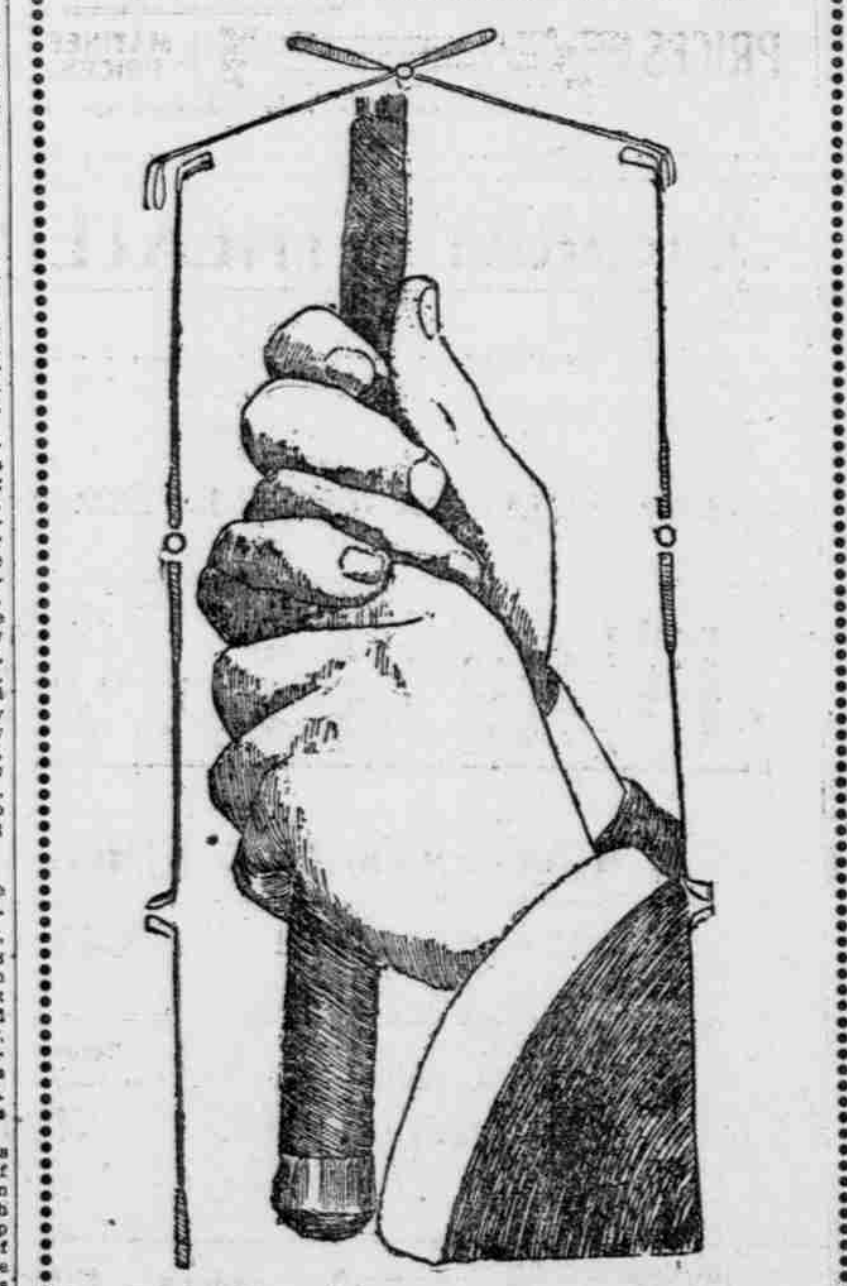
Unlike the wheelmen, the young organization in conflict with the parent body, in baseball, collapsed as suddenly as it sprang into existence. The National League, expelling a rival organization, had postponed its arrangements for a circuit, or schedule of games, until this late in the season. However, the American Association, as the new league styled itself, though promising much on paper, at the beginning, when the time came for a show of results and necessary financial backing, failed, in many material respects. Ansoo, of Chicago; McGraw, of Baltimore and Quincy, of Milwaukee, who had appeared at the control of affairs, seeing the futility of the scheme, for this year, at least, suddenly dropped the matter, so that now the National League will go on as usual, excepting for possibility of a 10-clubs league, Cleveland and Louisville being dropped.

Pugilistic Prospects.

Portland sports are all agog over the possibility of seeing two or three first-class, fast boxing matches in this city, about the end of March, or the first week in April. "Spider" Kelly, who has been doing good work in his bouts on Puget Sound, and Fred Ross have about arranged things for a contest, while Jimmy Reilly, who put up such a game fight last summer against "Cocker" Tweedy here, is arranging to meet either or both of them. These scientific boys should put up battles worthy of patronage.

A visit to Multnomah field furnishes quite a revelation. In the short space of a few weeks, a transformation has taken place. Instead of the unsightly hilltop clean fence along the eastern hilltop along Chapman street, the framework of the superstructure of the new clubhouse is already in place. The foundation is completed, and the first floor is laid, and should dry weather continue, the roof will soon be in place. Another change at the field is the clearing of space for two extra tennis courts. These will be located between the present winding pathway down the hillside from the main entrance and the Exposition building. In

GOLF CHAMPION VARDON'S 10-FINGERED GRIP.



Harry Vardon, the English golf champion, who is now making a tour of the principal Eastern and Atlantic Coast links, grips the club, when playing golf, in a markedly different fashion from the manner prescribed and followed by other golfers. The cut, from the Denver Republican, and which shows Vardon's hands in the upward swing of the club, clearly illustrates the grip.

Worst They Ever Tackled.

That teacher was the worst we ever tackled. He wasn't so very tall, and he was light. He simply strolled around that room and tickled us all with ease. Though we never had a notion he could fight. For he acted sort of meekish when he opened up the school. We sort of got the notion he was it—and we tagged a goal. We gave him lots of jolly in a free and easy way. And showed him how we handled guys as got to actin' jay. And showed him where the other one had two teeth away the door. When we lugged him out and dumped him in the snow the day before. And, soon's we thought we had him scart, we ant and chawed and spit. And kind o' thought we'd run the school—concludin' he was it.

It worked along in that way, sir, till Friday afternoon. We hadn't lugged him out that week, but 'lowed to do it soon. That Friday, 'long about 3 o'clock, he said there'd be recess. And he said, "The smaller side and girls can go for good, I guess." And he mentioned, smooth and smily, but with kind o' greenish eyes. That the boys were requested to remain for exercise.

And when he called us in again he up and locked the door. Shucked off his coat and waist, took the middle of the floor. And talked about gymnastics in a quiet little speech. Then he made a pass at Haskell, who was nearest one in reach. 'Twas hot and swift and sudden, and it took us all by surprise. And that was all the exercise the Haskell feller saw.

Then, jumpin' over Haskell's seat, he sauntered up the aisle. A-hittin' right and hittin' left, and wearin' that same smily. And when he feller started up and tried to hit him back. 'Twas slipper-slapper, in whole-crocker, whang-whang. And never, sir, in any year, did you see fipppers whis. In such a blame chain-lightnin' style as them 'ere hands of his.

And though we hit, and though we dodged—or rubbed by two and three. He simply strolled around that room and tickled us all with ease. And when the thing was mussy done, he dumped us in the yard. He elbowed the door, and patted us all a card. And this was what was printed there: "Professor Joseph Tate. Athletics made a specialty, and champion middle-weight."

That teacher was the worst we ever tackled. He wasn't so very tall, and he was light. It is best to lay your eggs before you've cackled. Though we never had a notion he could fight. —Holman F. Day in Lewiston Evening Journal.