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it is probably the case that more men who are sidetracked are batting better

than .170 than men who are not batting that well. According to the figures, it does not look as if the practice is a pay-

ing one, but as all managers do it, it must be for the best.

no doubt, less than a majority of the sub-stituted batamen have ordinarily. While good hitters are not sidetracked in a pinch to let somebody else bat for them.

Owners Who "Went Broke"

Are Forced to Sell.

GOOD HORSES CHEAPLY GOT

Animals Worth Five Hundred Dol-

lars Aplece Bring About One-

Fourth That Sum at the

Irvington Sale.

those who entered them for sale.

ld, she can yet step out and heat the

rill, \$290; Jos Jewett, H. Cosgrove, \$199; Stimy, W. M. Davis, \$130; Sir Christopher, W. M. Ayers, \$135; Mos-

ASHAMED OF LONG HIT.

average for such cases of .170,

Than Ever Before.

Are Enjoying High-Class Rac-

ing and Are Free

to Wager.

the City of Springs, many favor throw-

ing the cover away, and for all time,

writes Frank J. Bryan of the racing

season at Saratoga, N. Y. Never in

the nistory of the place, to take the word of the natives-and the memory

roportions that have been in evidence

Things opened up lively and have

fact, it is now a case of the town be-

ing full. At the big notels hundreds have been turned away, or forced to put

up with quarters out of all reason. At the smaller pinces the same tale is

old, and as for the boarding places,

and with all hands paying war rates.

Much Guessing for Bettors.

Riders of the East, of the Middle

The one exception was the coup of

points are meeting daily, and

with the meeting of the horses

there is nothing but "all full"

on the improve ever since-in

signs.

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Fast Horses Sell Cheaply at Irvington-New President Is Wanted for Pacific Coast League.

against Patsy Tebeau's old bunch." said Cheerful Hickman. "I had heard that he was a terror to young twirlers, but I wasn't quite prepared for the innovation in pitcher satelling he surrows on you the SARATOGA'S LID OFF

in pitcher-rattling he sprung on me that day. "Just as I took my place in the box and the first Cleveland player faced me Patsy ran out into the coacher's box. "'Look fellers, look!' he yelled. 'Look at what is going to pitch for Boston to-day. Ain't he pretty? Fill fine any man on the team that don't make two hits today \$50.' New York Resort Is Busier

"And so he went on until I didn't know whether I was in a ball game or in insane asylum. I passed two men, hit the next one and then went to the bench." "One doesn't see that play very often GREAT DISPLAY OF MONEY on the Cleveland grounds nowadays, but it was common enough once," said a vet-eran fan, when Sebach took Kahl's fly in the first inning of the game the other day and then nipped Bay at the plate when Deerfoot tried to score from third. "Jakey Evans, Cleveland's old right Town Is Overrun With Visitors, Who fielder, was the boy who made the play again and again in the '80s. I remember one day when Providence was here John

ny Ward had reached third with one out. Up in the grandstand were George Wegley George Howe Charlie Buikley and a lot of big men from down East. "Bet you \$50 Ward scores,' spoke up one of the Easterners. If the "lifting of the lid" here has brought the boom, now under way for

At least a few of the horseowners ho were broke because the races "Twe got you,' said Wesley, and the oney was put up in Howe's hands. were stopped here, now have money and will get out of Portland as quick-"Just then the batter whacked a say ly as the trains will carry them. With age liner to right. Evans went way back under the tree in right field, on the old Billy Magrane on the auction block yesterday afternoon, these men parted Cedar-avenue grounds, after the ball. It company with horses that were in their stables. Many of them went to seemed an entirely improbable catch. "'Give him the money, said Wesley, and Howe turned over the \$100 to the man local buyers, while some of them were sold to men who will take them to from down East

of some of them goes back a long way -has prosperity come this way in Spokane and a number were sold to "As Evans leaped into the air and pull-ed down the ball. Ward started on a slow trainers and owners who were fortu-nate to have money left. Only a few trot toward the plate. He was still jog-ging when we were stirred by a yoll. Straight and true, as if rolling on a paveof the horses that were offered for sale by Mr. Magrane were retained by their owners. W. Lynch retained Dat-terel, so was April's Pride retained by

her owner, Max Bes and Pincushion "Johnny quickened his pace, but to late. The ball landed squarely in Briody's hands, and Ward was out by a yard. It and one or two others were bid in by was probably the longest, truest throw that was ever made." "It's funny how a lucky play, an acci-Fred Merrill bought Sally Goodwin and Aminte, Sally Goodwin is an Oe-

This prosperity extends to all depart-ments. Money is in every way disgon bred mare and, although she is dental catch or hit, will sometimes bring a player success when consistent ball playing has failed to do the trick," said played, and when the balance sheets are struck with the wind-up of the best of them. Ex-Councilman Merrill meeting of the Saratogn Racing As-sociation, they will show that a gold-Bobby Lows, of the Detroit team, to a press man the other day. "In 1987 I was with the Eau Claire, Wis, team of the old Northwestern en narvest has been reaped.

League, playing a pretty good game, thought, but some way I didn't plan the management. So I sat on the bench and watched the others proy. "One day our man in center was hurt West, from California, Canada and all

turned and sold him to a member of the hunt club. In turn he bought Sir and I went out to play in his place. A ter-rific liner was hit out to me. I not only from the same territory, means a lot of guessing for the bettors. The Christopher, who was bid in by W. misjudged it, but in turning to see where plungers are busy, and some of them The others were sold to the follow-The others were sold to the follow-ing: Molto, J. Jackson, \$185; April's on my back. My hands naturally flew Pride, Dr. Fehr, \$400; Aurora B. H. up, and do you know, the ball struck have been betting the limit, but thus far few tales of big winnings have come from the domains of the layers. Cosgrove, \$250; Judge Thomas, H. Cos-grove, \$150; Sallie Goodwin, F. T. Merthem and stuck there? "I ought to have been fixed \$100 for

en J. Ryan with Athlone the other 7. It is certain that his clean-up on misjudging the ball, but that eatch got me a regular place on the team and a raise in salary." day. that race was pretty close to \$40,000 at the track, with his commissions in Several of the Boston champions the poolrooms throughout the country o further swell his profits. That the officials failed to take any

keto, W. Gabriel, \$100; Mabel Bates, W. Gabriel, \$250; Skip Me, William Nesitting around the corridors of the Hotel Euclid talking of the great pitchers they ville, \$150; Laureatea, W. Durker, \$250; Aminte, F. T. Merrill, \$180; Max Bee. had met, when Buck Freeman dropped into a seat beside the others. "In his day," said the Wilkesbarre boy,

G. Burger, \$253; Pin Cushion, L. C. Wil-Hams, \$85; Prestano, V. Warren, \$85; Foxy Grandpa, W. P. Fine, \$250; Come "Fred Klobedans had something on all the other pitchers of the country. He was with Fail River in 1894, when I was Again, J. Caine, \$50; Rusebud, H. Cos-grove, \$285; Bert Davis, B. Tucker, \$115: Our Cholee, L. Tong, \$50; Kimberley, J. Krause, \$175; Luia Long, W. M. Duvis, \$50; Allot, F. Kaufman, \$200; Rose of Hila, B. Tucker, \$195.

nor since.'

Is Not Proud Of. Cleveland Press. "It sounds queer for a bail player to say he is ashamed of a home run, but I can

was with Fail River in 1894, when I was with Haverhill, and in one game we played against him, he struck me out five times, and I'll bet a month's salary that he didn't pitch me the same sort of a curve twice during the game. Such an assortment of zigzag, round-the-corner, hide-and-seek surves I never saw before nor since."

JAPS BUYING THOROUGHBREDS

Ship Valuable Stock to Improve the

Baseball Player Remembers One He

o those that are not conservative and want racing to go along without scandal. As for the horse being a ringer, that is out of the question, not but what such

time, but it looks now as if we have heard the last of the affair, which is a good thing, for the meeting means too

things have been done, but for the rea-son that there were too many on the ground that knew the horse. Sudden Form Reversal. The ground for action seemed to be the aprovement in the running of the horse over his previous effort in these parts. Added to this were weird tales about his ownership that kept tongues busy for a

This is only the view of one man,

question, and perhaps may give my readers a better view of the point.

NO CHANGE IN GAME

Football Is Practically Un-

changed by New Rules.

WALTER CAMP EXPLAINS

Long Runs Just as Frequent as in

Past-More Accurate Deter-

mining of Scrimmage

Line Possible,

Walter Camp, dean of football, has

written the following in the new foot-

While there was much discussion

both publicly and privately, regarding

to be gained had there been greater

were not overanxious to attempt this, and would have done it rather in the

than because the quakers themselves

One of the best explanations ad-

vanced of some of the criticisms by older players was put forward this

Summer by a man who played on one of the leading teams nearly a score

"I have discussed this matter with a great many football players in the

last year, and have become convinced that there are just as many long runs

made nowadays in the course of a sea-son as there were made in my time.

uates, and there are many others so situated, we do not get back to see

nny of the small games, but see only the big one, and contrasting it with

unanimity in its advocacy,

desired any alteration.

of years ago. He said:

They

some convinced

ball rules:

WANT A PRESIDEN to play not more than ten or less than," five minutes before the end of half," and at the time when this legislation was passed no especial difficulty had been expected. It was found, howev-er, that some officials would give the time once to both captains, and then would refuse to give any further in-formation at any time. It was hardly the intention of the rulemakers orig-inally to prevent the captains knowing Clubs in Coast League Look inally to prevent the capialise knowing approximately how much time re-mained for play, and a rule has been passed this year to the effect that the linesman may give the approximate time to the capialin who inquires at any time during the game. In order, however, to provide against his being harassed with questions every few seconds or the delay of the game inclident to such inquiries, a note has been made Be an Interesting One, With

Some difficulty was found last year with the rule allowing the quarter-back to run in that it stated that he must run at least five yards on the side of the snapper-back. The snapper-back was apt to be moving, and this made quite a difference, the intention of the rule having been manifestly that the man should run at least five possible changes in the football rules for the season of 1905, and while the rules committee held protracted meet-

many of the others would have been willing to make a trial of the rule insisting upon a greater number of yurds

Expenses Are Large, While the Fight

of Receipts.

The reports that have been circulating When a man is an undergraduate he from time to time that bexers earn fal-ulous sums of money in the ring have secs all the small games, as well as one or two big games. That is why led the public to believe that the life of the puglitist is one of milk and honey, and that his path is strewn with the tradithe undergraduate is satisfied with the game of today, and believes in its possibilities just as we did in our time. "In our time we made a good many tional roses, says an exchange. These re-ports are misleading. The life of the successful boxer is anylong runs in the minor games, but in the one or two hig games the long runs were very limited. Now, as grad-

thing but what it is painted.

When a boxer wins the large end of a purso the statisticians get busy immedi ately and figure out how the victor was enriched so many thousands of dollars for each minute he was engaged in what we saw of football in our under actual boxing.

graduate days, when we witnessed the "It lesser games, we begin to think that say; "It was an enormous house," they "there must have been fully \$50,000 there are not as many long runs made as were made in the old times. I taink Blots won in three rounds, and his share This is only the view of one man, but it throws some new light on the guestion, and perhaps may give my would easily have been \$4000 a minute, possibly more.

How different from the reality. The In the first edition of the rules book there is an error to which attention should be called. The committee in-creased the penalty of side line coach-ing first edition of the rules book there is an error to which attention should be called. The committee in-creased the penalty of side line coach-ing first edition of the rules book the boxers, each of whom has anywhere from one to twelve men "looking out for my end," dwindles down to probably \$25.ing from five yards to ten yards, and 000 or \$25,000, for argument's sake. Sel-

REPORTED.

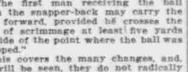
Promoters Get Large Share



ings devoted to those discussions, no radical allotments were made. The first man receiving the ball it is probably not unfair to say that the majority of players and coaches were to say the least, not displeased at the final resolution, although a good many of the others would have bean

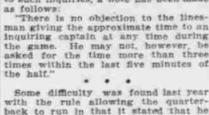








snapped." This covers the many changes, and, as will be seen, they do not radically affect the method of play.



play not more than ten or less

the Clubs Well Bunched at Present Time.

ng business interests that occupy his time and attention that would preclude his

as a possibility, but he also has decline devolve upon some dark horse.

discussion of the reduction of the S-cent admission fee. As far as this last item is concerned, only one city in the league has gone on record as being op-posed to the extra 10 cents, and unless some of the other clubs come forward at the meeting and ask that the present fee

of the attention of the magnates for this, all important question. Rumors have been in circulation for some time to the

there is to the rumor cannot authoritative-ly be stated, for the magnates are non-

except at lengthy periods.

in 0:21%. Twenty minutes later she was driven a mile in about 2:12, it being her All the clubs in the league have become bunched in the chase for the pennant of fourth mile that day. No other 4-year-the second haif, which was inaugurated a old trotter has ever equaled this work old trotter has ever equaled this work of moster and The Seattle club, over the Lexington track in July, May which started off like a whirlwind, has Earl possesses a pure galt and suffered a slump and has been displaced her own courage. She is owned by John from the lead. Portland is in somewhat B. Stewart, who also owns her 2-year-old of a rut itself, for none of the locals are full sister, a good-galted filly that has hitting the ball and are slumping in other already beaten 2:30 in her work. departments as well. The opening games of the San Francisco series have been marked by weak hitting on both sides, but the local contingent will recover their batting prowess shortly and then some pitchers will suffer a series of drubbings, A good hitting club like that of McCre-die's cannot stay on the toboggan all

The Pacific Coast League meeting, which is to be held in this city next Thursday, will have some important questions to the credit to. decide, and much interest is being manifested in baseball circles as to the intention of the magnates regarding points of importance that will come up for ac-Probably the most important piece of isiness that will occupy the attention of the meeting will be the choosing of a successor to President Bert, Eligible

candidates for this important post are very fow, and as yet no name has been mentioned that is likely to be settled upon for this office. W. W. McCredie, vice-president of the lengue, and at present directing its affairs, has positively refused to permit his name to be men-tioned as a candidate, for he has presa-

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for Bert's Successor.

acting in that capacity. Danny Long, one of the most prominent men in basebali circles on the Coast, has also been name

the office for business reasons. At presen writing it seems as though the office will Other matters of importance will be the discussion and probable adoption of a circuit for the coming year, and also a

new arrangement in the matter of divis-ion of gate receipts, and also a probable

be reduced to the old standard it is not likely to receive much consideration. The plans for a circuit will occupy mu

effect that Tacoma was to be dropped next senson, but just how much truth

committal on this subject. At all events, this meeting of the league will be an inis the most talked about animal at the Lexington track. The Stock Farm says

teresting one, for several new measures terosting one, for several new measures the is a 4-year-old bay more by San Ma-tion will be introduced. Secretary B. C. teo (2:12%), son of Simmons (2:28), dam Eiy, of the Portiand Club, is planning a new and more satisfactory manner of detailing the financial affairs of the in 2:10% caught by a dozen watches, and league, which have been run in an en-tirely unsatisfactory manner in the past, the Lexington Fair grounds track in for it has been almost impossible for the several clubs to get a financial statement except at lengthy periods. 2:095, driven by Mike Bowerman. In working this mile May Earl trotted the last half in 1:095, and the last quarter

LAJOIE MADE LONGEST HIT. Nichols Says Cleveland Leader Bat-NO ONE IN SIGHT AS YET ted Ball Hardest. Pittsburg Commercial While the Pirates and Quakers were valting for the raindrops to cease a few Chase for the Pennant Promises to

days ago several of the players and their friends started a fanning bee. Naturaliy they were hopeful of again striking a ing gait, now that Nichols has pro that he is yet the terror of old to buts men. Someone asked Nichols what player had

ever made the hadrest hit off him, "Nick" modesily replied that many of his curves had been slammed to and over the fence, and he didn't exactly recall who to give

An outsider settled the questlon, even Nichols and Manager Duffy agreeing, "The hardest hit ever made off Nichols,"

said the fan, "I believe, must have been made at Philadelphia Park. It was on a Fourth of July, a few years ago, and Lajole made the hlt. Nichols and Duffy must recall the drive, for both of them wete in the game.

'Boston had beaten the Phillies a very close game in the morning. In the afternoon Nichols went on the rubber for the meaters and Duffy was playing left d. The first time Lajole came to the field. bat he innded on the ball for fair. There was a terrific crash as the bat met the ball. The ball never raised afted it left the infield. It salled on a line about 15 feet high straight for the infield fence. It passed over Duffy's head before

Hughey could get a sight on it, and it landed with a thump against the balcony on Lehigh avenue, about 20 feet in from the foul line "By that time Duffy had turned to run mack to the wall. He had scarcely got

ought the two mares for breeding purback to the wait. He had scattery got started when he pulled up, for after hit-ting the balcony the ball came back toward Duffy with a rush like a wave after hitting the beach. Duffy didn't take ten steps when the ball got back to poses and will send them to his ranch at once. Billy Nevell bought Skip Me. and paid \$150 for a mare that under ordinary circumstances he would have been obliged to have paid \$530. Harry him, and Hughey grabbed and huried it Cosgrove, of Spokane, bought Rosehud. Judge Thomas and Joe Jewitt, but he

to Bobby Lowe at second base, who nearly, caught Lajole before he could get to secand base on the drive." Duffy, and Nichols remembered the frive, and both agreed that they thought

Ayers Lajole deserved the credit for hitting a curve by the latter harder than any other batsman. Many a Philadelphia rooter, too, will remember the terrific drive made by Lajole that Fourth of July afternoon.

MAY EARL IS TALKED ABOUT

Mare Trots, Some Fast Miles at the

Lexington Track.

May Earl, a handsome 4-year-old mare,

his is duly recorded under rule 27-F. dom over that. Under, however, the grouping of penallies, rule 28, this coaching is grouped under five yards, instead of ten yards. An errata slip has been printed covering this point, but some of those reeiving early copies of the rules will and them without this alteration

One of the changes in the rules has are accurate determining of the line of scrimmage. It has already been argued that under this new rule greater freedom is allowed. Possibly that may be so literally, but as a matfact there was considerable latitude in the way this rule was interproted last year, and the new rule really limits it more carefully

It has also been suggested that unter the new rule, if a man standing back merely reached als arm forward. he would be within the limits described in the rule. Those who suggest this uld remember that the rule reads "the line of scrimmage is an imaginary line parallel to the goal line and passing through the front point of the ball." Hence a man must stoop there to reach with his hand within one foot of this line.

More careful legislation has been directed at false starts made to draw half dozen boxers, either active or re opponent off-side, either by the snapper back or by the players of the possession of the ball,

But by far the most important of the terations is the definite instruction the referee to blow his whistle immediately the forward progress of the ball is stopped, thus in a measure doing away with the rapidly growing and very detrimental feature of stealing the ball when its progress has been stopped and when the ball was really "dead." There is nothing that irritates the average player as to have the ball taken away from him after it is "downed," and it is this fact that sometimes led to bad feeling between the players. It was certainly on the increase in the Eastern footgames last season ,and one of the principal differences between Eastern and Western football was the earlier blowing of the whistle by the referce when the forward progress of the ball whe slopped, and the distinctly greater confidence displayed by the players of the West and the certainty of the referee determining with accuracy who had the ball and the point where it was "downed." Western play was quicker

on this account and more satisfactory. excellent change in the rules has been that providing that a substitute when sent on to the field must report to the official before tak-of high repute. In those days the mask, ing his place in line. The sending out the chest protector and buggy cushions substitutes to take the place of for mitts were unknown, and the balls yers when these players still clung contained more rubber and were also players when these in the general dis-to their positions, and the general dis-to their positions, or even more than 11 players being engaged at a time, were handled the speedlest kind of pitching with bare hands and a rubber plate be-with bare hands and a rubber plate be-with bare hands and a rubber plate be-more the disagreeable features of o their positions, and the general dis-ussion ensuing, or even more than 11 Lynch stood behind the bataman and ch in putting an end to that diffi-

culty.

a provision has been made that at the time when the ball is put in play no player shall be out of bounds except player shall be out of bounds except the man who may be holding the ball for a play trick. One other point was taken up by the committee, and that was the question in the outer gardens, and the center

Committee, and that was the question of how far a lineaman should go in giving information regarding time to the captains of the teams. The rule or-iginally read: "The lineaman should no-tify the captains of the time remaining

Club Gets Its Share.

Of this amount, in the majority cases, the club retains 50 per cent, which ienves \$14,000 for the boxers. Here and there the percentage may vary, but it is the exception rather than the rule.

Then this \$14,000 is to be divided be-tween the two contestants. In many cases the money is evenly divided; occasionally it is split 60 and 40, and some imes 65 to the winner and 35 to the loser. We will compute on the last basis. Sixty-five per cent of \$14,000 is \$9100, out of which amount the boxer's manager will get anywhere from 15 to 50 per con It has taken probably six weeks of ardu-ous training to prepare for the battle, frightful deprivations if he is making

weight, and the worry and annoyance that are incidental to a six weeks' spell in the

symmasium and on the road. Then an army of trainers, rubbers, box-ing partners and seconds must be paid, Of source where John trained there are everal menials who must be remembered with small presents. One of the best proofs is in the small

number of boxers who have amassed a competency. While many of them have laid aside snug sums for future refer-ence, it is doubtful if there are over a caused him to be fired from almost every tired, who are worth \$50,000, earned in the club he ever signed a contract with. Only ring. recently "Spec" was playing great ball

Few Earn Big Sum.

for Oklahoma City. He tumbled off the While it is palpably impossible to corwater wagon, was fined \$100, and now has been kicked out bodily. rectly estimate the wealth of any class of people, owing to values appreciating and depreciating, it is pretty sufe to say that Tommy Ryan, Tom Sharkey, Phila-Danny Shay, who formerly played short for the San Francisco team, is said to be delphia Jack O'Brien, Jim Jeffries and possibly Jim Corbett and Jimmy Britt, will reach the half-century mark. It slated for the management of the St. Louis team. Danny is well known in Portland and on the Coast, and his many isn't at all likely that any have been left friends would be glad to hear of his being

made manager. Joe Choynski, Gus Ruhlin, Jack Root There is some talk of Oakland releasing and several others will always have a thing to fall back on, but it isn't likely that they class with the first-named Brick Devereaux. The old Red Dog has fallen off in his batting and may be Several other boxers, like Billy turned adrift. Since this news became group. turned minit. Issues this news occame bruited about, it is said that Russ Hall, manager of the Siwashes, will get busy with Deversaux. In case he is turned loose. Coachers of the Deversaux type are scarce. He is a player always full of Myer and Alex Greggains, have made large sums of money since retiring from the ring, but it was either as a superin tendent of race tracks, a restaurateur of a politician, their respective callings, that made their money.

TELL STORY OF JAMES LYNCH

Pacific Coast League who has a name for each of his bats. "Hap" has some choice sticks, and he was as particular Player Refused to Chase Ball Batted

Into the River.

about naming them as a mother is her children. As a rule, players don't care In the long time ago, James Lynch, the to have other players use their tools, but they seldom refuse a loan when one is asked. The other day Emerson induced Hogan to loan him "Jeanette" while he went to bet. "Hap' was afraid some-thing would happen to "Jeanette," which is a slick-looking stick and nicely shaped.

Sure enough, Emerson cracked poor "Jeanette's" neck and she is now con signed to some woodpile or incinerated lng tween his teeth, which helped his mouth Hogan felt badly over the loss of "Jean some, but not his nose by a long shot. And to hold line throws on bases with tte," for she was his favorite bat, but he still has left "Betsey," "Lucy" and "Anette." "Hap" left "Anna" at home bare fins was a feat that would "Anette." or two trick plays depending upon a man lining out of bounds when the on a vacation, but he will take her on his next trip. "Betser" is the largest hat of the bunch and Hogan only uses ball was put in play. This has now the ball, if possible, into the adjoining coun-ty, and it was often done. Once when her when he feels real strong and wants to crack a long fly to the outfield to scare a runner from third. Truck Eagan ocsionally. partial to big sticks.

> diamond." said Napoleon Lajoie, the other day, "was made by Charlie Jones, form-erly of Denver, the center fielder of the Nationals, the team that Jake Stahl start. ed out to clean up the American League with this year

Substitute Hitters Bat Poorly.

Out of 100 times that men have been nt in to bat for somebody else in the National League this season 17 hits have

the Coast League fans.

Happy Hogan is the only player in the

carries "Betsey" up, as he is

been made.

New Kick on Four-Strike Rule.

Before, the advent of the foul strike ule many left-handed batters were 'dead" left field hitters, smashing ones over third base or poking short die's cannot stay on the toboggan all files just back of the third baseman and season, and it is about due to break in too close for the left fielder. Then along came the foul-strike rule, and all

that was cut out, for the batter didn't dare take a chance of fouling off a lot of good ones until he got just the wanted and could plant it in the proper place. It was hit it out or iny it down when the foul-strike rule got busy .--This would give a batting Pittsburg Telegraph.

bleachers are from the base line

loet away.

ditty.

And

owing fashion:

the floor;

clothes.

ever had before.

never recall one four-bagger without feeling a little twinge of my conscience," re-marked Billy Bradley, the other day. This happened when I was with the team of the New York State It hadn't rained for six weeks, Auburn længue. and the diamond was as dry as a St.

Clair street ash heap. "I swung hard at the ball, and actually drove it into the ground, or, rather, into the brittle sand and gravel, which was about a foot deep.

dirt like an insect escaping from its tor-mentor. The pitcher, catcher, shortstop, and third baseman rushed up and began clawing and kicking up the earth in an endeavor to find the bail. They did find it eventually-about 6 inches underground had gone all the way around. until I

"The ball just burrowed its way into the

not 20 feet from the plate-but not "I'll never forget the first time I pitched

GOSSIP THE DIAMON OF "Spec" Hurlburt Loses Out in Oklahoma City-Danny Shay Slated for Manager of St. Louis Team.

44S PEC" HURLBURT, who once play came off. Flick hit the ball to right-strouble again. Hurlburt is a natural ball-player, but his love for "booze" has rangements can be made, it is more than probable that Truck Egan will have a "Almost without letting up his speed, chance to make a home run for the na-tives by batting the ball from island to island, and best of all. Fisher can unload Jones whirled, and without seeming to take aim shot the ball to Nill, on third base. It was not a bound, but a dead his vast stock of old and new stories line throw, and the ball went into Nill's and gags on the unsuspecting Filipino. hands as if it had been tossed from ten They have several very good clubs in Manila, and it is thought a trip by the Tacoma aggregation would be a financial "Bay had gone to third as only he can sprint the moment the catch was made, yet Nill had him out by a step. Umpire success. En route they could play at Honolulu, where two or more teams in existence. At any rate, Fisher Kelly called Bay safe, but the decision 85.73 was an error, as every one who saw the play admitted. I hardly expect to see that he will take his menagerie across if the necessary inducements are forthcoming. It will be some time before anything

definite can be known about the trip but the boys are all willing to and Mike must have some place to work off his old stories.

The St. Louis National Club has made Facoma an offer for Nordyke. It will not be accepted, for other clubs will put in bids for "Dyke," who is about the best first baseman in the Pacific Coast League. Of course, if Tacoma sells him, he won't leave the club until the end cisco, a fight in which he was a heavy of the season. If Nordyke is not sold he is sure to be drafted, and Tacoma can favorite, and which he lost, justified the coup by paraphrasing the then popular dity, "Down Went McGinty," in the folmake more by selling him and beat the drafting scheme,

of a frost. The champions were welcomed home like conquering heroes all right, Bands played, firecrackers exploded and prominent citizens made speech but when it came to digging up hard coin the Tacoma fans were not there. About 200 was taken in at the game and not much more at the theater. When this is split up among 15 men the individual chunks won't be large. At any rate, name of the Tigers will retire from ball because of a surfelt of cash, Ta coma ought to have done better by their baseball stars,

Since Truck Eagan played that play solo at Tacoma, he has been pestered to death by dealers in this line of musical instruments. It is no telling how many concerns have invited Truck to test their planos, and furnish them with testimo-nials. "I have played on your plano and nials. "I have played on your plano and found it excellent," is what the dealers want T. Eagan to say, but he won't ac-commodate. Eagan is too immersed in baseball to be pounding the ivories, and while he is an accomplished planist, Truck is not partibularly daffy over music.

Breed in Island Empire,

The Japanese government, through B. Hirosawa and T. Hayashi, of Tokio, and H. Murai, of London, has closed a deal in this country for stock valued at \$116.-000, and the horses will go forward on their long journey to the Island empire about August 1, starting from the Ideal stock farm at East Aurora, writes Frank B. Smith in Horse World. The pur includes 17 thoroughbred racers, 11 ting-bred stallions, two hackney fillies and four hackney stallions. The 34 animals thus averaged abo

\$2255 aplece, and the sale is regarded as one of the most important transactions in the history of the breeding industry.

Superintendent John Bradhurn, of the Ideal stock farm conducted the negotia-tions for the sellers, while the Japanese had the invaluable experience of John Mackay, manager of the famo us El Paso stable of J. B. Haggin, in their selections, besides a veterinary surgeon. The animals will go from Buffalo to the Pacific Coast in three special cars on an express train schedule. Three careful trainers will be in charge, and when the long voyage over the Pacific is begun they will accompany the horses until they are delivered in Japan, when they will return home. Their expenses both ways and the usual rate of wages will be paid by the Mikado's government. In order that the horses may arrive in their new homes in the best possible condition. The deal was facilitated by the fact that the ideal farm was formerly known as the Village farm, and some four years of many that were encountered. ago the Hamlins sold the Japanese a carload of horses which proved so satis-factory that they sought another and larger consignment from the same reeders. It is believed that when the breeders. It is believed that when the price paid for the animals is added to amounts expended in bringing them to Japan, and the disbursements wages and expenses are also incl for the total cost of each animal will far exceed that of any other similar pur-

chase over made for a foreign govern Mr. Hirosawa, who has been in Buffalo for several weeks, is authority the statement that the animals will be used solely to improve the breed of the native horses, and that there will be other purchases made in the United States, but no more in the vicinity of The three representatives Buffalo Buffalo. The third burney to Europe, and Japan will now journey to Europe, and attend the convention of geons held at Budapest in August.

Travelers Play Ball Game.

The local branches of traveling men's associations engaged in a game of baseball at the Multnomah Field yesterday afternoon, which resulted in a victory for the organization known as the Travelers' Protective Associa-tion over the United Commercial Travders by the overwheiming score of

17 to 7. The T. P. A. men were superior in every department of the game and scored almost at will. Of course the losing team, as usual, offers an excuse. for as an explanation of 'its defeat it claims that it did not have all its

regular players in the game. O Whitemore, secretary of the U. C.

says that the reason that he did not play was because the regular catcher of the team, Sammy Vigneux, did not appear, and as Chet was scheduled to pitch he did not have confidence in the substitute catcher secured for the oc-

The T. P. A. men are happy and state that they are willing to play the U. C. T. any time.

sum was secured.

ch to the moine world to have ugly scars creeping in when they are over estimated.

The management realizes what this success means and is doing everything in its power to keep the daily details at high standard that has been established. The promoters want to entiment in racing, and every effort they make is in that direction. Strange to aid in the same direction.

Owners, trainers and riders are on their mettle, and the result is an eclat that is really something new in the annals of the turf. It is racing at its very best, and the support comes from so many coints that its sincerity cannot be questioned.

Big Coterie of Notables.

A trip from the clubhouse to the betting domains the other day, just a walk of a few hundred yards, showed so many well-known racing officials that it was hard to realize that one was in the East. Charley Grainger. of the Louisville Jockey president of the Louisville Jockey Club; C. S. Bush, who holds a like po-sition with the Crescent City track; J. J. Holtman, the well-known starter; Secretary Framer, of the Toronto Jockev Club: S. S. Brown, who controls the historic track at Lexington; William Hendrie, the turf leader of N. MacFarlan, who looks after the do ings at Memphis; Captain Jim Rees, who before his retirement from the stand rated as the fairest judge of

As for the Eastern representation, it includes everyone of note in turf af-fairs, and this will be the tale for the remainder of the session. The success here should be an object lesson for some of the would-be reformers that are constantly trying to kill racing. It has brought together a representative hody of gentlemen, who have, by their patronage, shown that they want the sport to flourish.

Talk of the Futurity.

There has been considerable Futurity talk here of late, and every morn-ing finds hundreds at the track shortly after daylight eager to see the many candidates get their preparations. At his writing it looks as if the big event which will mark the opening Concy Island Jockey Club's Fall mesting, two weeks hence, will be one of the most open races that the event has ever brought forth.

Not one of the 24 down as probable starters can be pointed to as a cer-tainty. In fact, the maidens that will make their debut in the race are the ones looked to as likely to furnish the winner.

A week hence will be ample time to sift the collection out-in fact, today a canvass of the horsemen would show admirers for all that are down starters.

There is a lot of talk of the merits of Oyama, one of the several that James R. Keene will send to the post. but he will have to improve on what he has been showing to win the sup-port of th swriter even on paper.

First Water Rounding To.

First Water, who went wrong during the Spring meeting at Gravese has been rounding to here, and looks now as if he will get to post. If he does and he is as good as when we saw him last with the colors up, it will take a pretty shifty one to casion. Vigneux says that if White-more had pitched the score would have been 34, instead of 17. beat him. He worked on Thursday five furlongs, carrying about 125 pounds, in 1:03. This was so much better than in 1:03. This was so much better than his previous effort in the morning that the critics have been drawn his way, and for the remainder of the time that The gams was played for the benefit intervenes before he is shipped away of the Patton Home and a fairly good every move he makes will be very carefully noted.

The benefit given to the Tigers upon their return to Tacoma was pretty much

Although he wasn't hurt, he wouldn't fight no more. Next day he had more money than he a whole stack o' new suits o'

Hoffman has yet to show the fans that e is any improvement over Runkis. Not hat he isn't playing a nice game at third and may do a great deal better after he gets into his stride. He has not shown that he is specially strong at the hat yet, but he may also improve with the stick.

The fame of King Fisher's Royal Bengals is spreading and it may be that when the season is over here they will have an opportunity to show our new possessions in the Orient how the great

Down went the Spider in the middle of

national pastime should be played. Since the American occupation of the Philip-"The greatest play I ever saw on the pines baseball has taken a great hold on the natives, and it is said some of the Filipino teams are becoming adepts in the sport of sports. There are many very fair clubs recruited from the boys in blue, and it is said if the Tigers cross "Bay was co_ second have when his. the Pacific they will find formen worthy

play duplicated." When called upon recently to schedule in a police court appeal case, involving as a defendant a friend of Tom Sharkey, the ex-sailor modestly admitted that he was "\$200,000 strong." Not at all bad for a pug who, with the utmost difficulty, is just able to sign his name to the bottom of a check. Spider Weir is another of the pepper, and he would be greatly missed thrifty sort. The ex-feather-weight, once ccused of throwing a fight in San Fran-