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BASEBALL TICKETS.

American League Formulating Its Plans of Sale For Next Season.

CHICAGO, Oct. 13.—Sales of baseball tickets for future world's series direct from the National Commission to the public probably will be the outcome of the method of selling tickets to the combats now being waged.

Letters from disgruntled enthusiasts poured into newspaper offices yesterday, all with the same tale of being unable to buy reserved seat tickets from the club box office, but of being offered the coveted pasteboards at a premium from scalpers before the public sale began. The result has vent a repetition of suspicions and been an estimated attendance of 15,000 for the two games played in

Chicago and an estimated loss in receipts of \$25,000, the bulk of which would have gone to the players.

Many of the protests from fans went direct to the three members of the national commission, Garry Herrmann, Ban Johnson and Harry Pulliam. Then when a person high in authority and familiar with every detail of the arrangements reported to the commission that the count of tickets and receipts of Sunday's game had been delayed nearly an hour until 885 reserved seat coupons, which had been "on sale" could be gathered together, returned and credit given to the local club, the members of the commission decided somebody was to blame, and the only way to pre-charge of unfairness would be to undertake the stupendous task them-

selves, perhaps with the assistance of the contending clubs corps of ticket-takers, but with all responsibility resting with the commission.

GIRL MURDER.

Another Wretched Case From Chicago Being Dealt With.

CHICAGO, Oct. 13.—Additional information tending to the identification of James Luman C. Mann as the mysterious "J. H. Raymond," who took Fanny Gilmore Thompson to the Michigan Avenue rooming house where the woman later was found brutally murdered was secured yesterday, but nothing approaching confession was gained.

Today, it is said, the police will go before the October grand jury and present evidence to secure the indictment of Mann for the crime. The grand jury will be made for the purpose of circumventing Attorney C. E. Erbstein, who represents the alleged murderer and who forced the police to fix Mann's bond at \$25,000.

An effort was made last night to obtain the release of Mann before Municipal Judge Gemmill, but the effort failed because of the inability of Mann's parents and the attorney to furnish sufficient value of bonds.

Erbstein told the police that if Mann was not admitted to bail he would apply for a writ of habeas corpus and thereby force the police to take into court the evidence they have that warrants holding him in custody. In this manner he would learn the strength or weakness of their evidence.

Rather than make known their witness and the evidence they have collected, Inspector Wheeler and State's Attorney Roe consented to have the bail fixed.

PLEADS "NOT GUILTY."

CHICAGO, Oct. 13.—A dispatch to the Tribune from Kankakee, Ill., says: Private Joseph B. Klein, Co. A, first regiment Illinois National Guard, was arraigned in the Circuit Court yesterday on the charge of murdering Earl Nelson, on August 15, while the regiment passed through this city on its way to Springfield, on riot duty. Klein entered a formal plea of not guilty. Judge Hooper ordered him brought into court again Saturday.

A MICROSCOPE.

How It Opens Up the Wonders of the World of Nature.

If you want to keep your boy out of mischief, give him a microscope, not one of the elaborate, intricate, expensive affairs that the bacteriologists use when hunting for germs, but a common one with two or three lenses that revolve on a pivot and fold into a cover which protects them from injury when carried in the pocket.

There is no better way of interesting the boy in the wonders of the natural world than this simple contrivance, which opens to his eyes visions of a universe of which he knew nothing. Seen through the microscope, the most insignificant flower becomes a thing of wonderful beauty. The interior of a nasturtium is a fairy cavern, showing a dozen different tints and hues of color, with dainty white stalactites and stalagmites almost touching each other midway between floor and roof.

He will find monsters, too, for the head of an ant seen through a microscope is a terrible object, and he cannot help thinking what an awful aspect such a creature would present if it were as big as a horse. He has heard about the creatures that are to be found in water from a stagnant pool. He will find them for himself and show them to other boys, and all his crowd will become interested and bring in things to look at and wonder about. He may not develop into a Darwin, but if he has any faculty of observation at all it will be sharpened by what he sees, and he will learn that there is more in nature than what we discern on the surface.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

SILENT CRANES.

A Nature Story by One of the Mount Taurus Climbers.

The mountaineer glanced complacently at his hard calves.

"We climbers," he said, "up there on the white heights see lots of things worth seeing. I tell you we could if we wanted to outdo the nature fakirs without deviating from the truth. For instance, take the Mount Taurus cranes. Do you know the cranes of Mount Taurus?"

"Well, these birds are great chatterers. They chatter, chatter, chatter, as they fly. Hanged if they're not worse than women! Up on the heights the eagles lie in wait for them, hidden behind crags or ice blocks. They don't have to show themselves at all. Their ears, not their eyes, tell them of the cranes' approach, and swooping down on those bundles of feathers and noise, they take home a mess of crane for dinner.

"With their chatter and babble and gossip the cranes of Mount Taurus give themselves away in that still air to the eagles, and in all eagle households crane is the staple dish.

"But the old cranes fly without a sound—never a word out of them as they sail and wheel in the blue air. That seems against nature, and it is against nature. The old cranes to restrain their innate love of talk fly with large stones in their mouths.

"Shoot one of these crafty and silent birds and you will find his beak tightly closed upon a large stone."—Exchange.

His Plan Was Simple.

Frederick the Great once requested his generals to submit to him plans of campaign for a supposititious case. Hans Joachim von Zieten, the famous cavalry general, produced a queer diagram in black ink. It represented a big blot in the center, intersected by two black lines, whose four terminals ended each in a smaller blot. The king was furious and upbraided his old comrade in arms bitterly for what he considered disrespect.

In explanation Von Zieten said: "Why, your majesty, I am the large blot in the center. The enemy is any one of the four smaller blots. He can march upon me from the right or left, from the front or rear. If he does I simply advance upon any of the four lines and lick him where I find him." Frederick was satisfied.

Statistics.

In all probability the first administrative act of the first regular government was to number its fighting men and to ascertain as nearly as possible what amount of taxation could be levied on the rest of the community. As human society grew more highly organized there can be no doubt that a very considerable body of official statistics must have come into existence. We know that such was the case in Greece, Rome and Egypt, but it was not until within the last two or three centuries that systematic use of the information available began for purposes of investigation rather than mere administration.—New York American.

Businesslike England.

The English are not a revengeful people. They forget everything after a fight in their eagerness to trade with their late enemy. It is not so much the spirit of forgiveness of sins which prompts them as the spirit of pushing trade. That is the central impulse in their being.—Dublin Irish Homestead.

Where He Was Slow.

"Alexander the Great conquered the entire world."

"Yes," answered Mr. Dustin Stax. "He conquered it, but some of us moderns could have shown him a thing or two about making it pay dividends."—Washington Star.

Her Adored One.

Father—You can't have him! Daughter—Oh, papa, you once said you could deny me nothing! Father—Well, he comes as near being "nothing" as any thing I know of.

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SEEING AND LISTENING.

Nearsighted Man Wears Glasses in Talking, but Not in Reading.

"Here's a sort of queer thing," said a nearsighted man. "I am very nearsighted. Strong glasses are indispensable to me for ordinary, general seeing in my goings about, but when I sit down to read I take off my glasses and bring the print up to within the natural focus of the eye. It seems to me that reading with the natural eye I read with a more intimate and a clearer understanding.

"So much for my reading without spectacles, and now here is the thing that is queer to me. If when I am reading thus, with my glasses off, somebody comes along to speak to me, why, then, to get a clear understanding of that question I must have on my spectacles.

"So I say, or I would say if this happened at home where I know the people, 'Wait a minute till I get on my spectacles,' and I would put them on and then say, 'Now go ahead,' and really, with my spectacles on, with my power of seeing at its best, with the sharpest definition of things in general to the eye, I get the clearest apprehension of things said to me.

"So in reading I do best with my glasses off, but in understanding things said to me, in listening, I do best with my glasses on. There is one modification to this—where there is no light, as in a dark room, where I can't see, I can understand equally well with or without glasses."—New York Sun.

Reverent on Taft.

I hope and believe that all far sighted citizens who wish to see this country prosperous in material things will support Mr. Taft, but above all I ask for support for him because he stands for the moral uplift of the nation, because his deeds have made good his words, and because the policies to which he is committed are of immeasurable consequence alike to the honor and interest of the whole American people.

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